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Sunnyvale

White Rock

DCCRW Meeting, March 6th
Dallas County Republican Party headquarters
9:30 coffee; 10:00 meeting
Speaker: James Carter, Executive Director of
Dallas County Republican Party

“Redistricting: Where we are, how we got here, and where this is going”

A native of southern Louisiana, James came to Texas in the summer of 1998 to attend Texas Christian University in Fort Worth. While at TCU James interned in the office of Congresswoman Kay Granger. He graduated in 2002 with a degree in Economics and Political Science from TCU. James was a volunteer on Congressman Jeb Hensarling's first campaign, where he learned about political fundraising and grass roots. Beginning in 2003, James worked with the Magnolia Group, a local fundraising firm. Over the course of his tenure at the Magnolia Group, James worked with various clients on the national and state level, including Congressman Michael Burgess, Congressman Kenny Marchant, and in 2007 Republican Presidential Candidate Mitt Romney.

In the summer of 2010, James became campaign manager for Representative Stefani Carter. Representative Carter was elected on November 2nd, 2010 with the widest margin of any challenger candidate in Dallas County and she became the first African-American Republican woman elected in Texas. During the 82nd Legislative Session, James worked in the Texas Capitol as the legislative director for Irving Representative Linda Harper Brown. Dallas County Chairman Wade Emmert selected James to be the new Executive Director of the Dallas County Republican Party in July of 2011. His responsibilities include day to day management of the party, fundraising, and helping to elect Republican candidates in Dallas County.



Reagan Day Dinner and 60th Anniversary
of the Dallas County Republican Party

With featured speaker:
Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal

Saturday, March 10, 2012
Omni Hotel, Dallas

Contact Dallas County Headquarters for info: 214-205-1981



President's Message

To all of my hardworking and responsible Republican Women, I am pleading with you to help the Republican Party of Texas. At the Leadership Meeting in Austin, I know that many of you heard the fervent

message from Melinda Fredericks, our Vice-Chair to the RPT. This is a win, win concept for both individual Clubs and to keep the Republican Party of Texas in the black and out of the red that it was in for so many years. It is most important for a budget to be set and there is no better way than to join the Grassroots monthly \$8.25 plan. I know that many could afford more than \$10.00 a month to support our State Chair in all of his efforts to help our Republican men and women get elected in 2012. The forms are included in this message and you will clearly see how very attractive the State Party has made it for each Club and its members to join! I would LOVE to go the Austin at the next TFRW meeting and have Dallas County recognized! We may be "Blue" but I know with everyone's help we can turn "RED" ! Please step up to the plate and pledge your support. You and your Club will certainly benefit.

Sincerely,
Deborah Guerriero

Memo to all Club Presidents:

As a reminder – your DCCRW Dues are now due. Please send to our Treasurer, Pat Bielefield, 6821 Robin Willow Ct., Dallas 75248. Dues are \$2.00 for each member enrolled at the end of 2011. If you have questions, please contact Membership Chairman, Nancy Natinsky, 972-732-4000, Nancy also needs a copy of your membership for 2012.

Women in Numbers – Win in November

The members of our Republican Women's clubs have been working hard to get Republicans elected for years. The saying is, "When Republican Women work, Republicans win." So it should be our #1 goal to have more members. Let's aim to increase our membership in 2012 so that more Republicans will WIN in November.

INVITE! INFORM! INVOLVE!

TEXAS REPUBLICAN PARTY CONVENTIONS Your Grass Roots Road Map to Participation

Precinct Convention – County Executive Committee will determine when it's held; after the polls close or within five days of election.

- Primary Election Day – _____*_____ 2012
- To participate you must have voted in the Republican primary.
- Precinct chairman may open meeting and a permanent chairman is elected.
- Delegates for the Senatorial Convention are selected.
- Resolutions for platform may be presented in writing and voted upon.
- There is no quorum to hold the convention.
- Required paperwork provided and must be returned to the County party headquarters

Senatorial/County Convention – Held Saturday, _____*_____ (lasts one day)

- Delegates chosen at the Precinct Conventions.
- Some Precinct delegates help organize convention and serve on temporary committees.
- Delegates to the State Convention selected by the Nominations Committee and presented to the body for a vote.
- Resolutions will be selected by the Resolutions Committee and presented to the body for a vote
- Vote is by caucus

State Convention – June 7, 8 & 9, 2012, Fort Worth

- Delegates are selected by the Senatorial Delegate Committee.
- One delegate from each Senatorial Districted appointed to serve on temporary committees.
- Permanent committee members elected by convention.
- Senatorial Districts will caucus the first day to elect 1 man and 1 woman to serve on State Republican Executive Committee.
- Convention elects State Chairman and Vice Chairman.
- **Only in Presidential years:** Congressional Districts will caucus the second day to elect 3 national delegates and 3 alternates to attend the national convention.
- A National Committeeman and National Committeewoman will be elected to represent Texas on the RNC
- A state platform will be voted on.

National Convention – August 27 to 31, 2012, Orlando, Florida – held before a Presidential Election

- Delegates elected at State elect 1 man and 1 woman to serve on each of the temporary committees for the convention.
- A national platform is voted upon.
- A Presidential nominee is elected.

(RPT rules at www.texasgop.org) (*) date unknown



**Janet Clesi
Director of
Legislation**

News From Member Clubs

Northwood Republican Women's Club Is celebrating 40 years in 2012

NRW was founded in 1972 when a small group of politically interested women banded together and, through the commitment to Republican principles, have grown into a vibrant club with members active in all aspects of the community and its politics. Affiliated with NFRW, TFRW, and DCCRW the club has been an award winning club since its inception.

NRW's main focus and goal remains three fold: educate and inform the membership; support and elect Republican candidates; and promote Republican Party philosophy.

NRW is a very busy club:

We sponsor speakers
We work registration tables
We hold meetings
we honor our veterans
We hold candidate forums
We educate our members
We work for our candidates
We honor America.

NRW's motto: **"We do make a difference."**

Legislative Issues

There is one thing I believe all Republicans can agree on with **former Speaker Pelosi**, and that is we had to pass the **ObamaCare** bill to know what was in the ObamaCare bill.

- This week we received disturbing information that the ObamaCare bill included mandates for religious institutions to provide the following as health care benefits
 - Abortions,
 - Morning after pill,
 - Tubal ligation
 - Contraception

As I prepare this legislative information, President Obama has walked back his mandates partially and decided that it is expedient for him to back off the religious institutions and has now mandated that the insurance companies provide these "benefits" with no co-pay.

The Supreme Court of the United States is poised to hear oral arguments on ObamaCare in March.

Stay tuned!

The House will vote on American Energy and infrastructure Jobs act (H.R.7)

Since this would increase job creation and allow for energy independence, it's highly unlikely that it will ever reach the Senate floor for a vote.

Look for the GOP to pass what's known as the "Pelosi Provision."

The Stop Trading on Congressional Knowledge Act has now reached 283 co-sponsors.

Pat Reid, a NRW member who makes a difference, was recently honored as the 2011 Volunteer of the Year for Dallas County Senate District 8.



Pat has a long history of volunteer service. Initially, church and schools were her focus. Joining Northwood Republican Women, her interests turned to politics. Assisting campaigns in Clay and Lamar Counties deepened her resolve to "try to make a difference." She worked in support of local, state and national Republican Candidates. She has served Northwood as President, Parliamentarian, and Chair of Special Events and Telephone Committees. Pat also has served the Dallas County Council of Republican Women as Vice President and as Hospitality Chair. Other volunteer activities include Memorial Service for Red River 44 Crew; Child Abuse Prevention; greeting returning troops at DFW Airport, and Family Gateway.

"I don't think much of a man who is not wiser today than he was yesterday."

Abraham Lincoln

You are invited as we celebrate
Republican Women of
Dallas County
60 Years of Leadership
Diamond Jubilee Luncheon
Tuesday, March 20, 2011



Royal Oaks Country Club
7915 Greenville Avenue in Dallas
Complimentary Valet Parking
Luncheon Proceeds to Benefit Candidates
Individual tickets before March 5 -- \$50
After March 5, Individual tickets \$65
Candidates/Elected officials \$40

Ballroom Doors open Eleven o'clock in the Morning

See www.dallas-republican-women.com



Members of the Mesquite Republican Women's Club greeted troops in from Afghanistan.



Thank you -- **Preston West Republican Women** for hosting the breakfast for our Leadership Training Seminar on Saturday, February 20th with Kay Van Zant, NFRW Leadership Development Chair. It was a good meeting and well attended.

Dee Phelps is President of Preston West.

First Ladies Republican Club's Annual Chili Cook-Off & Chili Supper, honoring Captain Allen Clark, will be held Saturday, March 31, 2012 – 5:30 to 8:30 pm., at the La Prada Drive Church of Christ, Mesquite. \$18.00 per person; contact Adriana Liberto 972-270-5661, sal_liberto@sbcglobal.net for information.



First Ladies Republican Women and Associates (Garland, TX) recently participated in the *Valentines for Veterans* project sponsored by U.S. Representative Jeb Hensarling (R-TX). The club personally invited some Garland ISD teachers and their students to join with them in this endeavor. More than 100 handmade valentines were presented to the Congressman whose staff will distribute them to veterans at the local VA Hospital on Valentine's Day. The club's outreach program regularly supports soldiers and veterans. Throughout the year, club members and associates collect items for "goody bags" which they distribute to patients at the VA Hospital. Article written by newsletter chair – Mary Ann Harman

Dallas County Council of Republican Women Club Information

CLUB	PRESIDENT	MEETING SCHEDULE
Bentwood Republican Women	Barbara Nelson cbcnelson@sbcglobal.net	2nd Monday 10:00 a.m. BentTreeW Swim/TenClub 18018 Voss Road, Dallas
Dallas Downtown Republican Women	Betty Dawson bedawson@swbell.net	2nd Tuesday 6:30 p.m. GOP Headquarters 10300 N. Central Expy, Suite 345, Dallas
Dallas Star Republican Women	Linda Butts lkbbookkeeper@aol.com	2nd Saturday 11:00 a.m. Renaissance Hospital 2929 S Hampton Road, Dallas
First Ladies Republican Women	Adriana Liberto Sal_liberto@sbcglobal.net	Last Tues. 6:15 p.m. dinner; 7 mtg. IHOP 1313 W. Centerville Rd. (off 635), Garland
First Republican Women	Dalene Buhl Dalenebuhl@gmail.com	3rd Monday 9:30 a.m. GOP Headquarters 10300 N. Central Expy, Suite 345, Dallas
Greater Lakewood Republican Women	Kelly Nolan kellynolan@ebby.com	4th Monday 6:30 p.m. (normally) Commonwealth Title 6465 Mockingbird/Hillside Village, 75214
Irving Republican Women	Elena Blake ebblake@tx.rr.com	2nd Monday 7:00 p.m. I-HOP N. Macarthur @ I-635 NW corner. Irving
Lake Highlands Republican Women	Sherrie Timmins sherrievtimmings@gmail.com	3rd Wednesday 9:30 a.m. varies, member homes
*Las Colinas Republican Women	Tammie Smith Tsmith126@hotmail.com	
Mesquite Republican Women	Joanne Shields siserv@tx.rr.com	1st Thursday 630 Meet & Greet 7:00 p.m. varies, member homes www.mesquiterepublicanwomen.com
Northwood Republican Women	Mary McElvany MMcelv1057@aol.com	4th Monday 9:30 a.m. (normally) Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites at the northeast corner of Preston & LBJ.
Park Cities Republican Women	Angie King angielking@gmail.com	3rd Tuesday 11:30 a.m. (normally) SMU Meadows Museum www.parkcitiesrepublicanwomen.org
Preston West Republican Women	Dee Phelps dee.phelps@att.net	4th Wednesday 9:30 a.m. varies, NW Dallas/FB
Richardson Republican Women	Diane Dees deesgroup91@yahoo.com	3rd Tuesday 7:00 p.m. varies
Sunnyvale Republican Women	Beverly Williams willi123@tx.rr.com	3rd Thursday, bimonthly, 7:00 p.m. Sunnyvale Town Hall 127 Collins Road, Sunnyvale
White Rock Republican Women	Deandra Grant dgrant@waymark.net	3rd Thursday 6:00 p.m. Highland Park Cafeteria Buckner @ Garland Road
<i>DALLAS COUNTY COUNCIL RW</i>	Deborah Guerriero guerrierodeborah@sbcglobal.net	1st Tuesday, usually 9:30 a.m. GOP Headquarters (morning mtgs.) 10300 N. Central Expy, Suite 345, Dallas

*new club

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Please visit <http://www.dccrw.org>
 The new Dallas County Council of
 Republican Women's website.

Save these dates:

May 1, 2012 -- DCCRW Kick-Off for Power Rally 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m honoring Kay Bailey Hutchinson, Florence Shapiro and Maurine Dickey
September 8th – POWER Rally, Royal Oaks Country Club.

NOTE: Watch next month for pictures of the Leadership Development event held last Saturday.

Calendar of Events

March 6th DCCRW Meeting – James Carter, speaker
 March 10th Reagan Day Dinner, Omni Hotel
 May 1 Kick-Off for Power Rally
 September 8 Power Rally, Royal Oaks CC



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The Grassroots Club is truly unique to the Republican Party of Texas. The Club has been created to keep our fundraising costs to a minimum and to further engage the biggest engine of our Party, the grassroots. We cannot have a true grassroots party if we have to primarily rely on the donations of major donors.

The most popular benefits of membership are being free from junk mail and phone calls. That's right - **as long as you are a current Grassroots Club member, the RPT will not send you any letters to clutter your mail box or call you during dinner.** Please fill out the following form and return to your RW club's leadership, so that your club gets credit for your membership. You also can sign up online at www.grassrootsclub.com . For further information, please call the RPT office at 512.477.9821.

Personal Information

* First Name:	
* Last Name:	
* Address:	
* City:	
* State:	
* ZIP:	
* Home Phone:	
* Email:	

* All fields required - please be sure to use your billing associated with your credit card.

Credit Card Information

* Amount (\$):	
* Card Expiration Date:	Month _____ / Year _____
* Card Code:	
* Employer:	
* Occupation	



The Republican Party of Texas Grassroots Club TFRW Award Plan

What it is

The RPT is providing an award program for TFRW clubs. The more members of your club join the Grassroots Club, the higher the award for your club.


The percentage of your club members who belong to the Grassroots Club determines the **level** of your recognition. The percentage will be based on your club's **2011 final** active membership (does not include associate members.)










If your club participates in the award program during 2012, it will receive the special recognition of being a **Charter Grassroots Club RW.**



Award levels

-  *State Representative Level* - 25% of your 2011 final active membership
-  *State Senator Level* - 50% of your 2011 final active membership
-  *Lieutenant Governor Level* - 75% of your 2011 final active membership
-  *Governor Level* - 100% of your 2011 final active membership
-  *Presidential Level* - greater than 100% of your final 2011 active membership

Incentives

-  Recognition on the RPT Website
 -  All participating clubs will be listed on a special TFRW Grassroots Club recognition page.
-  Recognition at the RPT Convention
 -  All clubs that have achieved 25% membership or greater by May 1, 2012, will be listed on a special page in the 2012 RPT convention program.
 -  Clubs that achieve 50% or higher by June 1, 2012, will receive special recognition at the 2012 RPT convention.
-  Award certificate(s) from RPT honoring your club
 -  RWs will be awarded as they achieve each level.

SPECIAL NOTE: for each Club participating at 50%, their name will appear in the Convention Program and they will also receive points towards the Tower Award.

How to Begin Your Club's Participation

Step 1: Each RW President must appoint a Grass Roots Club Coordinator who will be responsible for collecting and reporting the names of the RW members who belong to the Grassroots Club. Reporting will be done on an Excel spreadsheet, so you will want to appoint someone who is familiar with the computer.

Step 2: The club President must email Janet Jackson, the TFRW Grassroots Club Coordinator. Janet's email is JanetSREC@gmail.com and her phone number is 254-709-1187. Tell Janet three things:

- 1) That your club wants to join the TFRW Award Program.
- 2) Who your club's Grass Roots Club Coordinator is.
- 3) Your coordinator's email address and phone number.

Step 3: Janet will email back to the President and to the club's coordinator a reporting form that is in Excel, a Grassroots Club sign up form that you can make copies of, your club's final 2011 active membership number, and what your club's goals are for each level.

YOU'RE READY TO GO!

The Local Club's Grass Roots Club (GRC) Coordinator's Responsibilities

- A. List on the reporting page the members of your RW who have already joined the Grassroots Club. You will need to ask your members to turn their names into you if they are already members, so that your club can count them toward your goal.
- B. Recruit more members of your club to join the Grassroots Club. They can sign up on the internet at www.grassrootsclub.com . *If they sign up online, remind them to tell you so you can record their names.* Or they can sign up using a copy of the form on the next page. They also may pay with a check. (If you collect the completed forms or cards, be very careful with them because they contain credit card information). Please mail immediately to:

Republican Party of Texas
1108 Lavaca, Suite 500
Austin, TX 78701

Important reminder! Be sure to record your members names before you send in their forms so that your club can receive credit!

If you have any questions about the Grassroots Club, please contact Janet Jackson or Keri Mason at RPT Headquarters at kmason@texasgop.org .

- C. Once your club reaches the 25% mark, email the list of members to Janet Jackson, the TFRW Grassroots Club coordinator, at JanetSREC@gmail.com . As your club achieves the next higher percentage levels, continue to send the updated lists to Janet.
- D. Your club will receive an award certificate from RPT each time it achieves the next higher level.