

# Clear Creek Republican Women

NEW YEAR  
HAPPY



## January 2011 Newsletter

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### Calendar

#### January 5<sup>th</sup>

Republican Commissioner's Court First Meeting at 9:30am, Galveston County Court house, 722 Moody.

#### January 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>rd</sup>.

Galveston Island Pachyderms meet at Olympia Grill Pier 21 on Galveston Island every Thursday, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

#### January 7<sup>th</sup>

CCRW officer meeting 9:30 a.m. at Esteban's Fiesta Shack, 402 W. Main St., League City, TX.

Clear Creek Republican Women Meet the first Friday, at Esteban's Fiesta Shack, 402 West Main Street, League City, 11:30 a.m. Social/Lunch Meeting 12-1 p.m. Texas Senator, Mike Jackson, will be the guest speaker.

#### January 19<sup>th</sup>.

Galveston Republican Women meet the third Wednesday at Willie G's at Pier 21, 11:30a.m.

#### January 20<sup>th</sup>.

Republican Network meets the third Thursday 6:30 p.m. at La Brisa's off I45 behind Sudies, League City.

#### January 25<sup>th</sup>.

Sandpipers Republican Women of Galveston meets fourth Tuesday at Galveston Country Club 14228 Stewart Rd, Galveston.

#### January 26<sup>th</sup>.

Bay Area RW meet fourth Wednesday at Bay Oaks Country Club, Clear Lake 11:30 a.m.

#### January 27<sup>th</sup>.

Friendswood RW meet fourth Thursday at Perry's Grill, Friendswood 11:15a.m.

### Auction Items Needed!

Ladies - I really need your help. I am doing the Silent Auction for the Republican Party of Galveston County. This is really a fun committee and I would love to have you work with us. I need you to gather donated gifts to have in the auction. They need to be for all income levels.

They can be gifts for men, i.e., tools or manly things, bath and body baskets for women, toy baskets for children, gardening baskets, wine baskets, jewelry, bank savings bonds, frequent flyer miles or round trip tickets, a day in Kemah with hotel, rides and a meal; spa, hair salon, gym membership etc. Several of you could go in and put a basket together and donate it.

Our Party has had some fabulous success but to keep this momentum going the Party will need money. You can bet the Dems will come out with guns blazing with money being poured in to try and reverse our great victory. If we do this right, we can add \$12,000 or \$15,000 to the party war chest.

You all are such clever women! Once you get the gifts either donated or that you buy, the committee will be happy to help you put it together.

Be sure and let the businesses donating that they will get free advertisement their names will be listed on the auction sheet. They of course will be identified with the items they have given for the auction.

**I will need to have the items and baskets by the 1<sup>st</sup> of February.**

Call me, **Cindy Seidensticker**: 713-202-2127 or email me:

[NanaSticker1943@aol.com](mailto:NanaSticker1943@aol.com)

**Let's Go Get 'Em!**

**Cindy Seidensticker**



## Texas Senator Mike Jackson, January 7<sup>th</sup> Speaker

We are extremely honored to have our Texas State Senator Mike Jackson as our January speaker. What a great way to begin the new year! The 82<sup>nd</sup> legislative session begins the following week on January 11th, as always on the first Tuesday in January.



Senator Jackson will give us insight on the important bills that have been filed and the challenges of redistricting in the upcoming session. Elected to the Texas Senate in 1998, Mike Jackson represents Senate District 11, which includes portions of Harris, Brazoria and Galveston Counties. He chairs the Senate Committee on Economic Development and is a member of the Senate State Affairs, Business and Commerce, Natural Resources, and Agriculture & Rural Affairs Committees. He is also a five-term veteran of the Texas House of Representatives where he represented District 129.

Senator Jackson is a 1997 and 1999 recipient of the "Leaders of Excellence" award, presented by the *Free Market Political Action Committee*. In 1999 the same organization awarded him the "Texas Ten Award," for scoring in the top ten percent of the most conservative state senators in Texas during the 76th Legislative Session. Also in 1999 he was awarded the *Eagle Forum* "Freedom and Family Award" in recognition of his conservative voting record.

*Tommye Randolph, VP Programs*

## From The President



HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ONE AND ALL.

I sincerely hope that everyone had a blessed holiday. Now that we have stowed away all the decorations, eaten all the fruit cake, it is time to start our New Year's resolution to keep Republicans in office.

Galveston County Republican made history in November with our land slide victory of all of our Republican candidates. Now we can clean house and get the county on the right track. We can accomplish this with every ones support and hard work.

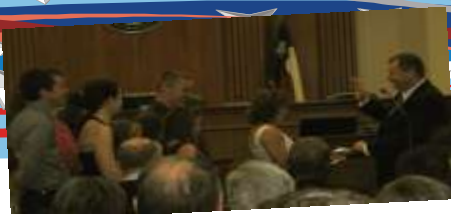
Another victory was CCRW winning the Joe Straus award for volunteer hours. This competition was held among many clubs of same membership size. This is indeed a great honor and we will be recognized in Austin on March 3, which is Legislation day. Please mark your calendar for this special day. More details on transportation will be forth coming.

I would like to thank all of my new board members for accepting the challenge for the goals we are setting for 2011. As I have said before, if you want something done right ask A REPUBLICAN WOMAN. Through hard work, dedication and working together in peace and harmony we can have more victories in 2011.

*Sarah Von Dran ,  
President*

### CCRW 2011 Officers

President	Sarah Von Dran	281-482-2990
1 <sup>st</sup> VP Membership	Evelyn Garland	713-824-4993
2nd VP Programs	Tommye Randolph	713-299-3128
Recording Secretary	Penny Ignazio	281-334-4418
Corresponding Secretary	Natalie Roth	281-538-2417
Treasurer	Lesley Bruemmer	832-632-2880



## Membership Totals 2010 vs. 2011

*Vice President of Membership*  
*Evelyn Albrecht Garland*



### 2010 Membership totals:

77 paid full members

51 paid associate members

That makes a **total of 128** well-informed voters who are out in the world and sharing and influencing the political process with that powerful, American privilege called “the vote!” *My goal this year is 100 full paid members and 70 associates.* We can do it! It is important! Please help.

### Current Membership for 2011:



44 paid full members

17 paid associate members

Please join now and let's return to last year's total right away and then start adding on!!

### Please welcome our newest full members:

Audrey Ayers

Sharon L. Ferguson

Jean “Jeannie” M. Kranz

Darlene Martin

Pam Matranga

Kathleen McCumber

Maurine McFather

Jane Murray (was an associate)

Mary Helen Slone

Georgia Stokes Young

### Also welcome to our wonderful associates:

David Paul Garland (my hubby!!)

Michael Siwierka

Kevin Walsh

I will be contacting those who have not joined yet soon. It would be great if you could have your memberships ready to turn in at the Friday meeting January 7<sup>th</sup>. I would love to be delightfully surprised!! See you Friday!

*Evelyn Albrecht Garland,*  
*Vice President of Membership*

## CCRW Invaluable

### Voter's Resource”

Happy New Year to all and I hope you had a Blessed Christmas!

Since many of you may not know me I'll give you a brief introduction. I grew up in League City when the population was only a little more than 5,000. I've been a Republican all my voting life and I absolutely **hate** politics! You might be asking just what I'm doing then as VP of CCRW. Actually, the answer is pretty simple – I **love** my country and try to be a good citizen. For me that means voting intelligently and being informed about who and what I'm voting for.

My two years in CCRW have been invaluable in assisting me to make decisions and stay well-informed on the issues at hand. The only way to effect positive change and maintain the values I cherish is to vote and be active in the political process. While I don't find the process fun, I know it is my right, my privilege and my **responsibility** to approach the process in an informed manner.

I know I'm preaching to the choir, but I am also hoping the “choir” will spread the word about how effectively CCRW helps us stay up-to-date and renew your memberships, attend our monthly meetings, and **invite** others to join in!

*Evelyn Albrecht Garland,*  
*Vice President of Membership*

## January Birthdays

1<sup>st</sup> Sue McLaughlin  
3<sup>rd</sup> John Seidensticker  
11<sup>th</sup> Jeanie Plass  
12<sup>th</sup> Norma Byous  
12<sup>th</sup> Eva Guzman  
15<sup>th</sup> Joanna Sharp Dawson  
15<sup>th</sup> Catharin Lewis  
17<sup>th</sup> Mary Czarnik  
29<sup>th</sup> Jennifer Anderson

# Treasurers Report

Lesley Bruemmer  
Treasurer



Balance \$ 1970.00

## Lincoln Day Fundraiser Dinner

Galveston County Republican Party is holding our annual Lincoln Dinner and Fund Raiser this year on February 17, 2011. Our guest speaker will be the Honorable Governor of Louisiana Bobby Jindal. The event will be held at the Doyle Center in Texas City. Please join us and help us raise money for the party.

## Dinner Invitations

Gina Gentile did a fabulous job of putting the dinner invitations that will be sent out for the Lincoln Day Dinner together for us. Below is an example. Thanks Gina!

### 2011 Lincoln Day Dinner ★

*The Galveston County  
Republican Party  
cordially invites you to attend our  
2011 Lincoln Day Dinner*

*Keynote Speaker  
The Honorable Bobby Jindal  
Governor of Louisiana*

*Thursday, February 17, 2011  
Charles F. Doyle Convention Center  
2010 5th Avenue North*

*Texas City, Texas  
6:00 p.m. V.I.P. Reception  
7:00 p.m. Dinner  
Reservations / Seated only  
Dresser purchase required*



Galveston County Republican Party

## Sponsorship Opportunities

### Presidential- \$5,000

- Two reserved tables with priority seating for twenty dinner guests
- VIP reception/book signing with Gov. Bobby Jindal for twenty dinner guests
- Special Recognition in commemorative program

### Vice Presidential- \$3,000

- One reserved table with priority seating for ten dinner guests
- VIP reception/book signing with Gov. Bobby Jindal for ten dinner guests
- Special recognition in commemorative program

### Congressional – 2,000

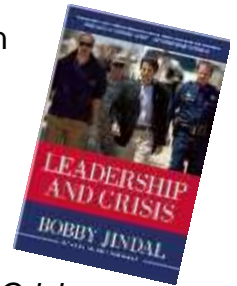
- One reserved table with priority seating for ten dinner guests
- VIP reception/book signing with Gov. Bobby Jindal for ten guests
- Recognition in commemorative program

### Additional Attendance Options

- One reserved table for ten guests for dinner only-\$1000
- VIP reception and dinner-\$150 per person
- Dinner Only attendance- \$75 per person

### The VIP Reception

The VIP Reception includes open bar, hors d'oeuvres, and the opportunity to meet Governor Bobby Jindal as well as local, state and federal elected officials. VIP guests will also receive a signed copy of the Governor's book, Leadership In Crisis



Galveston County Republican Party  
2011 Lincoln Day Dinner—February 17, 2011

Reservations

\_\_\_\_\_ Presidential Sponsor—\$5,000

\_\_\_\_\_ Vice Presidential Sponsor—\$3,000

\_\_\_\_\_ Congressional Sponsor—\$2,000

\_\_\_\_\_ Table for ten, dinner only—\$1,000

\_\_\_\_\_ VIP reception and dinner—\$150 per person \_\_\_\_\_ Number of guests

\_\_\_\_\_ Dinner only—\$75 per person \_\_\_\_\_ Number of guests

\_\_\_\_\_ I cannot attend but please accept my donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to and mail to:

Galveston County Republican Party, PO Box 135, League City, TX 77574-0135

Please contact Barbara Meeks at 281-236-3566 or at [meeksbarbara@aol.com](mailto:meeksbarbara@aol.com)

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**OCCUPATION:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE SEAT ME WITH:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MY TABLE GUESTS WILL BE:**

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Clear Creek Republican Women PAC

**Galveston County, Texas  
2011 Membership Application**

Please **print** legibly. Please complete all the requested information.

All information is needed for CCRW to contact members and make reports to TFRW.

Full Member \$25.00     New     Renewal

Associate Member \$15.00

Associate members are women who have primary membership in another Republican club or any men.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ Precinct # \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip +4 \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

(W) \_\_\_\_\_ Circle which phone is best to call    H    C    W

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday (Month/Year) \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of another Republican Club?     Yes     No

If yes, which club? \_\_\_\_\_

How did you learn about CCRW? \_\_\_\_\_

Prior political activities \_\_\_\_\_

Areas of interest \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to help on the following committees:

Audit     Awards     By-Laws     CCRW Directory

Campaigns     Historian     Hospitality     ICM Tree

Legislation     Newsletter     Publicity     Telephone

Ways and Means     Web     Community Outreach

Please complete and mail to Lesley Bruemmer, CCRW Pac Treasurer, 2301 Meadows, League City, Texas 77573 or bring to a CCRW Meeting at 11:30 am on the first Friday of the month August through May. Meetings are held at the Esteban's Fiesta Shack, in back of Esteban's, 402 West Main, League City, Texas.

Date Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_    **F A**