



Wichita County Republican Women

Newsletter
May 2014

President's Remarks



Over the next several months you will have great opportunities to learn more about what's going on in your own back yard as well as visit with an important candidate as the Wichita County Republican Women bring excellent programs and events to you. Our meeting on May 19th will highlight the Youth Opportunities Center here in Wichita Falls. This amazing organization has been a vital part of the community for several years. Brenda Jarrett its founder will tell you all about what great work they do. If you remember this is one of the groups we would like to support over the summer months. Please take this opportunity to join us and learn how you can help change a life.

As you may know by now your Club is honored to be hosting a luncheon for General Greg Abbott, our next Texas Governor, on Thursday, May 22nd at the Wichita Falls Country Club. This is an amazing opportunity for us to take part in promoting and supporting General Abbott in this upcoming election. The luncheon will run from 11:30 to 1:00. We certainly want a large crowd to welcome him to his hometown. Tickets are \$30.00 each or purchase a table for \$250.00. Please spread the word and let's pack the place.

In June the Membership Committee is working on an event to help promote the Wichita County Republican Women, more about that later.

Call and make your reservation today. Thanks you and see you Monday the 19th.

Delores Culley, President

Next Meeting

When: **Monday, May 19, 2014**

Time: **11:30 – 1:00**

Where: **Luby's Cafeteria, 1801 9th St.**

Program Notes

April 21, 2014 – Just weeks prior to the start of early voting, WCRW had the opportunity to hear from all four of the candidates for the two open seats on the Wichita Falls ISD Board of Trustees and the unopposed candidate for Place 1. After adjourning the business meeting, the candidate forum began. Elizabeth Yeager, Bill Franklin, Kerry Maroney and Allyson Flack shared their backgrounds, reasons for running for the school board and positions regarding the proposed Bond Election. Unopposed candidate Bob Payton focused on the background of the bond proposal. After their presentations, the candidates took questions from the audience.



May 19, 2014 – Brenda Jarrett, Director of Youth Opportunities Center in Wichita Falls, will share the history, objectives, challenges, and successes of the organization she founded.



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2014 Calendar of Events

May 13	Board Meeting (<i>First Presbyterian</i>)
May 19	Regular Meeting (<i>Luby's</i>)
May 22	Luncheon with Attorney General Greg Abbott (<i>Country Club</i>)
June 5-7	Republican Party of Texas Convention (<i>Ft Worth</i>)
June 10	Board Meeting (<i>First Presbyterian</i>)
June 16	Regular Meeting (<i>Luby's</i>)
June 16	Pachenga Con Cecilia Abbott

Republican Runoff Races

Lieutenant Governor	
	David Dewhurst (28.3%) Dan Patrick (41.5%)
Attorney General	
	Dan Branch (33.5%) Ken Paxton (44.4%)
Commissioner of Agriculture	
	Tommy Merritt (21.0%) Sid Miller (34.6%)
Railroad Commissioner	
	Ryan Sitton (30.5%) Wayne Christian (42.7%)
County Commissioner Precinct 2	
	Bill Lockwood (31.5%) Lee Harvey (39.6%)

Election Dates to Remember

Date	Event
Mon, May 19, 2014	Runoff Early Voting Starts
Fri, May 23, 2014	Runoff Early Voting Ends
Tue, May 27, 2014	Runoff Primary Election Day

Legislative Update

LOCAL NEWS

- The Bond Election was held on May 10th. The school bond proposition for \$125,000,000 failed with 73% percent voting against it. Final vote totals were 7,553 votes against the bond and 2,812 votes for it.
- The election for the School Board was also held on May 10th. The two candidates with the highest number of votes earned the open board seats. The results are:
 - Elizabeth Yeager with 5,588 votes
 - Bill Franklin with 4,617 votes
 - Allyson Flack with 3,372 votes
 - Kerry Maroney with 2,994 votes
 - Elizabeth Yeager and Bill Franklin were also the candidates that opposed the school bond.
- As of May 1st, the Temporary Water Reuse Project did not go online. The results of the samples sent off on March 11th, were expected from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality by May 1st. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality is still reviewing the documents turned in by the city. Once the project is approved, it will move 5 million gallons of water from the Red River Waste Water Treatment Plant to the Cypress Water Treatment Plant.



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STATE NEWS

- 2014 Primary Runoff election Dates:
 - Early Voting: Mon, May 19th- Fri, May 23rd
 - Election Day: Tues, May 27th
- Toyota is moving its U.S. headquarters from Southern California to Plano, along with 4,000 people. This total includes moving employees from New York and Kentucky, as well as California. The high cost of living as well as high taxes in California has led some businesses to leave the state. Texas has lower taxes and fewer regulations. The process to transition to Texas can take up to two years.

FEDERAL NEWS

- The Justice Department has announced a new clemency process directed at low-level felons imprisoned for a minimum of 10 years. The inmates have to have a clean record to qualify. The Justice Department feels some of these punishments handed out the last few decades do not coincide with today's laws.
- The Supreme Court has ruled in a vote 5-

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Fill the Red Box

Please bring paper goods (**paper towels, toilet paper, tissues, etc.**) to fill the Red Box and benefit Faith Refuge. Our donations help to offset expenses involved in running the shelter.

Have You Renewed for 2014?

Membership in WCRW runs from Jan. 1 – Dec. 31. Many thanks to those who have submitted their dues! If you have not already done so, please support our organization by forwarding your completed application and dues as soon as possible.



Legislative Update (Continued)

- 4 reaffirming the constitutionality of prayer before governmental meetings. The practice of praying before meetings will continue uncensored and uninterrupted throughout the nation.
- Indiana governor Mike Pence formally withdrew his state from Common Core, just to reinstitute it under another name. These actions will keep Indiana's education system under Common Core. This may be the sleeper issue for the 2016 presidential campaign. Rebranding Common Core seems to be a common theme for some states.



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Upcoming Events



Wichita County Republican Women is
Honored to Host a Luncheon with
Featured Speaker
Attorney General Greg Abbott,
Candidate for Governor

Thursday, May 22, 2014
11:30 – 1:00
Wichita Falls Country Club
Ballroom 1
\$30 per Ticket

To make a reservation contact Annette Barfield at
wichitacountyrepublicanwomen@gmail.com
or 940-642-0420

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Pachanga Con Cecilia Abbott

Save the date! On June 16, Cecilia Abbott, wife of gubernatorial candidate Greg Abbott, will speak at our noon meeting. That evening we invite you to **Pachanga Con Cecilia Abbott** (or Party with Cecilia Abbott.) The party will be held at First Bank, 901 Lamar. Working together with a number of Hispanic community leaders, WCRW is engaging the Hispanic community to explore our shared values of hard work, faith, family, education and economic opportunity. Please use this opportunity to reach out to prospective new members, support our message, enjoy the music and light hors d'oeuvres, and **Let's Keep Texas Red!**



Allyson Flack



Bill Franklin



Kerry Maroney



Elizabeth Yeager



Bob Payton



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Elected Officials

	Office	Name	Address	Phone	eMail
US Congress	Senator	John Cornyn	5001 Spring Valley Rd, Suite 1125 E Dallas, TX 75244	972-239-1310	
	Senator	Ted Cruz	B40B Dirksen Senate Office Bldg Washington, DC 20510	202-224-5922	
	Representative	Mac Thornberry	2525 Kell Blvd, Suite 406 Wichita Falls, TX 76308	940-692-1700	
Texas Congress	District 30 Senator	Craig Estes	State Capitol, Room 3E.8 P.O. Box 12068 Capitol Station Austin, TX 78711	512-463-0130 940-689-0191	
	District 69 Representative	James B. Frank	1206 Hatton Rd Wichita Falls, TX 76302	940-767-1700	District69.Frank@house.state.tx.us
Wichita County	County Judge	Woody Gossom	900 7th St, Room 260 Wichita Falls, TX 76301	940-766-8101 W 940-631-9301 C	county.judge@co.wichita.tx.us
	Place 1 Commissioner	Ray Gonzales		940-766-8106	Ray.Gonzalez@co.wichita.tx.us
	Place 2 Commissioner	Pat Norriss		940-766-8106	Pat.Norriss@co.wichita.tx.us
	Place 3 Commissioner	Barry Mahler		940-766-8106	Barry.Mahler@co.wichita.tx.us
	Place 4 Commissioner	Bill Presson		940-766-8106	Bill.Presson@co.wichita.tx.us
City of Wichita Falls	Mayor	Glenn Barham	P.O. Box 1431 Wichita Falls, TX 76307	940-691-2968	Glenn.Barham@wichitafallstx.gov
	District 1 Councilor	Ben Hoover		940-322-9200	Ben.Hoover@wichitafallstx.gov
	District 2 Councilor	Annetta Pope		940-882-0864	Annetta.Pope@wichitafallstx.gov
	District 3 Councilor	Brian Hooker		940-244-4000	Brian.Hooker@wichitafallstx.gov
	District 4 Councilor	Tim Ingle		940-691-6564	Tim.Ingle@wichitafallstx.gov
	District 5 Councilor	Mary Ward		940-855-9367	Mary.Ward@wichitafallstx.gov

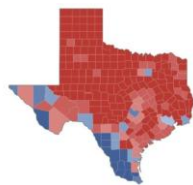
Important Links

[Texas Federation of Republican Women](#)
[National Federation of Republican Women](#)
[Republican Party of Texas](#)
[Wichita County Republican Party](#)



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Your 2014 Board

Office or Committee	Name	Telephone
President	Delores Culley	940-733-0399
Vice-President	Annette Barfield	940-642-8420
Secretary	Robbie Jeter	940-733-0156
Treasurer	Joyce Barham	940-733-2043
Membership	Eileen Levy	940-631-7732
Legislation	Nancy Bukowski	940-704-6791
Campaign Activities	Amy DeVries	937-763-9008
Public Relations	Missy Shorey	202-277-7100
Telephone	Carole Foreman	940-867-7604
Parliamentarian	Martha Hall	940-636-3436
PAC Treasurer	Pam Greenroyd	940-337-0180



WICHITA COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2014

Date _____

Member Name

Spouse (if applicable)

Address

City

State

Zip

Home phone

Cell phone

FAX

Email address

Occupation/Name of Employer

Sponsor (optional)

_____ **\$37 Active Membership**

New member dues paid after October 1st will apply to the following year

_____ **\$20 Associate Membership**

Any spouse who would like to affiliate with this club may do so, but may not vote on club issues and cannot hold office in the club; however, they may serve on a committee. If a regular or associate member is a US citizen; they must be registered to vote.

_____ **\$20 Young Affiliate Membership**

Persons aged 13-17 who want to affiliate.

Please indicate committees and/or events below in which you have an interest to participate:

_____ By-Laws

_____ Campaign Activities Committee

_____ Events

_____ Legislative Affairs Committee

_____ Membership Committee

_____ Public Relations

_____ Telephone Committee

Please attach annual dues & mail to:

Treasurer: Joyce Barham

P.O. Box 2565

Wichita Falls, TX 76307-2565

WCRW membership records are confidential and are for the sole use of WCRW. The above information will not be sold, traded, or distributed to any corporation, business, profit or non-profit organization/club or affiliated group, except as required by TFRW and the Texas Ethics Commission.