



Cy-Fair Republican Women Newsletter

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Rita's Reflections

Cy Fair Republican Women have had a busy summer. Our last event, the August Evening Social was outstanding as usual. Attending was a large group of members who had invited their spouses to come with them. Many members also invited their friends to be there as our guests. What a nice welcome for our wonderful speaker, Harris County Judge Ed Emmett, who also brought his wife Gwen with him to our meeting.



*August Social
Pictured: (from left to right)
Gwen Emmett,
Jan Ott,
Rita Parrish,
Judge Ed Emmett,
Shirley Chambers,
and Becky Berger*

Judge Emmett had a great message going forward for Harris County. He is so attuned to the county's needs and expressed his ideas for moving the county in the right direction to be successful in the future. His ideas on transportation were especially interesting to the crowd at this event as they centered on the overhaul of the Highway 290 corridor.

I always look forward to this annual social and our members once again put together a great evening. The food and drink were excellent and the room was alive with interested people who were more than pleased with Judge Emmett's ideas. He was open and honest and answered everyone's questions fully in a way that seemed like your friend talking things over with you instead of the usual evasive

political answers. I was very impressed with our members questions and Judge Emmett's answers. What a fabulous social and an excellent end to the summer.

Our next meeting will be equally as interesting as State Representative Patricia Harless will be our speaker. Representative Harless, who is also one of our members, always has the latest on the legislative accomplishments as well as the things that they didn't get accomplished. We can count on Representative Harless to keep us informed and therefore look forward to our September meeting. Please make it a point to attend this meeting on Tuesday, September 13, 2011 at Carrabba's Italian Grill on Highway 6 at 10:30 am.

Also coming up is our October Event, the biennial fund raiser, which we call "High Heels and High Tea". This time we are presenting Texas Senatorial Candidates. What a wonderful way to meet and hear our candidates running for the position that will be open when Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison retires.

This fundraiser is very special to our members and has been a continuing event through our six years of Cy Fair Republican Women being formed. We all look forward to the luncheon with the speakers and style show. It has always been fun and informative and enables our club to raise money to support candidates who our club feels need our donations. It's an affordable price and we feel its great value for the money. Being able to meet potential elected officials and hear their views,

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CFRW Upcoming Dates - Mark Your Calendars!



Sept 13th CFRW General Mtg
10:30-12:00pm Carrabba's Restaurant

Sept 29-Oct 2 NFRW Convention
Kansas City, MO

Nov 17th-20th TFRW Convention
TBD Fort Worth, TX

Sept 15th CFRW Board Meeting
10:00-12:00 Hearthstone Country Club

Oct. 14th High Heels & High Tea
11:00-2:00pm Raveneaux Country Club



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SEPTEMBER MEETING

Tuesday, September 13, 2011

Featuring Texas State Representative
Patricia Harless

Carrabba's Italian Grill

7540 N. Highway 6
Houston, TX 77095
(Copperfield Area)

10:30 a.m. - Coffee/Social
11:00 a.m. - Speaker/Meeting
12:00 p.m. - Lunch



Lunch \$15 - Meeting only \$3 (cash/check)

Menu: Penne Carrabba, Italian Salad and Tiramisu
(Vegetarian meals are available with advanced notice)

RSVP by Friday, September 9, 2011

Online at www.cfrw.net

E-mail: pwroses@sbcglobal.net

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Rita's Reflections Continued...

which will help us all decide which one to vote for, is invaluable. This event is another occasion where Cy Fair Republican Women shine. It has always been an outstanding effort of our members and once again showcases how talented our members are. It takes a great deal of organization to pull this off and we have done it so well time and time again. I am so proud of our members and the dedication always put into planning and presenting a well thought out event.

So put the High Heels and High Tea on your calendar for Friday, October 14, 2011 at Raveneaux Country Club. The luncheon starts at 11:00 am and ends at 2:00 pm. There will be vendors with varied things to sell, a blind auction with some special items, and our style show with our community leaders and elected officials modeling the stylish clothes from Chico's and Joseph A Banks. You won't want to miss this special luncheon so contact CFRW and buy your tickets, which are \$65.00 each, and bring your friends. More information is enclosed in this newsletter. Hope to see you there.

~Rita Parrish



"America is successful because of the hard work and creativity and enterprise of our people. These were the true strengths of our economy before September 11, and they are our strengths today."

George W. Bush



CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES

VOTER REGISTRATION

*Sign up to
Volunteer Today!*

Joy Gregory

Cy-Fest at Lone Star College will be October 8, 2011. Every year CFRW has a voters registration table. This is a great opportunity to get more people registered for the upcoming Presidential election in November 2012. This is a community affair and many parents bring their children to participate in the activities, as well as a great place to register new voters and recruit new members. It will last from 10-2 and we will need *plenty of help*. Sign up today by sending an e-mail to joygregory@sbcglobal.net.

PROGRAMS

Millie Alford

Question, what do the Texas Summer Temperatures and Cy-Fair Republican Women have in common? We're both HOT and very likely to stay HOT! Of course, I'm making reference to our zeal and dedication, not just our appearance. ☺

What a great meeting we had last month! Our official count of 60+ was amazing, encouraging and rewarding thanks to the outstanding effort that so many of our members put forth as they joined together to create a special atmosphere for a meeting. I believe that every person who attended our August Social left with a better understanding of what is going on in Houston and where our great city is headed in the future. Special appreciation goes to Judge Ed Emmett for an excellent presentation. He tackled some thought-provoking questions with his usual wit and relaxed demeanor. His love for Houston is so evident and it spills over onto all who have the same dreams of grandeur for our home town. We were also pleased to welcome his wife, along with many elected officials and visitors. Our guests were obviously impressed with our hospitality and our mission to

advance the goals of the Republican Party so that we may secure the election of Republicans (especially the Presidential Office) in 2012.

Next month's meeting will be full of information and excitement as we welcome one of our dearest friends, Rep. Patricia Harless.



Patricia Harless is a fourth generation Texan with deep roots in the community as an active small business and civic leader. Her mother and father started a family automobile dealership in 1959; she became the Chief Financial Officer in 1984, where she integrated, reorganized, balanced and controlled assets to achieve profitability. She purchased the family business after her father's death and is the current owner of Fred Fincher Motors in Houston. Patricia has a strong commitment to the Republican Party. An active member of Cherry Tree Republican Club, Northwest Forest Republican Women, Texas Tea Republicans, Cy-Fair Republican Women and Texas Federation of Republican Women, she has worked at the grassroots and finance committee

level for several local, state, and national campaigns. Rep. Harless was appointed by then Governor George W. Bush and re-appointed by Governor Rick Perry to the Texas Motor Vehicle Board (1998-2005). She was born in Houston, Texas where she attended Spring ISD and Candlestick Christian Academy. She received a BS in Business Management from LeTourneau University. She lives in District 126 with her husband of 21 years, Sam Harless and her son, Samuel Justin. They are active members of Champion Forest Baptist Church.

Don't miss this meeting and your opportunity to learn about the numerous Bills which have been introduced and championed by Rep. Harless. We are likely to learn more about [Licensing & Administrative Procedures](#), Redistricting, State Affairs, and Voter Identification and Voter Fraud. She may even offer some predictions for upcoming elections. She does have an inside track. ☺ We look forward to a super meeting, so be sure to make your reservations.

<http://www.txcc.org/content/patricia-harless>



Caring for America

Debby Frieden



Thanks to everyone who donates to Caring for America. We still need items to ship to our troops. Items we need are: lunch size packages of crackers, cookies or chips; gum, candy (nothing twist wrapped),

powdered drink mixes, granola bars, packs of instant oatmeal, small individual cereals, condiments packets from fast food restaurants, lunch size packages of tuna, or beef jerky (pork is not permitted). Other items: safety sealed lip balm, dental floss, toothbrushes, and toothpaste; travel size tubes of sunblock, lotion, foot powder, and petroleum jelly; travel or motel size shampoo and conditioner; small safety sealed Advil/Tylenol or any other OTC medications; small safety sealed contact lens solution, eye drops; AA and AAA batteries, disposable cameras, sunglasses; DVD's, music CD's, blank CD's, tape cassettes; articles torn out of magazines,

crossword puzzles, word searches; small bungee cords, small, thin rolls of electrical tape; pocket size Kleenex, toilet paper, crew socks; moist wipes.

If you would like to help with shipping our care packages to the troops you can make a donation to Operation Interdependence with a check or go to their website <http://www.oidelivers.org/> and click on Our Adopt-a-Box™ Program.

Thank you for thinking of our men and women overseas.



**CFRW Members please visit your
HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY
DISTRICT NO. 9's NEW WEBSITE**
at <http://www.hcesd9.org/index.php>

After your visit, please help us by sharing what you would like to see on your District's new website. Send all responses to Commissioner Suzanne B. Davis at SDavis@hcesd9.org

MEMBERSHIP

Betty Guthrie

CFRW welcomes back member **Barbara Biggi!** We look forward to having her join us at upcoming CFRW events!

The CFRW August Social was a wonderful success! All enjoyed hearing Harris County Judge Ed Emmett speak about issues affecting our county and Texas. It

was enjoyable to meet so many guests as well. We hope members continue to invite friends and neighbors to our events. We look forward to hearing our speaker Patricia Harless, State Representative - District 126, at our September 13th meeting.

CFRW membership dues for the remainder of 2011 are **ONLY \$17.00** for all classifications of members joining in September or October. Dues submitted in November and December will revert

to the regular membership fee and will be applied to the 2012 year membership.

A Membership Application is included in this newsletter for your convenience. A form is also available online at www.cfrw.net. Please download a copy, complete the form and mail it with your check payable to CFRW to the Membership Chairman or bring it with you to the next meeting. Share the form with family and friends!



Cy-Fair Republican Women

2011 Membership Application

DATE: _____ OFFICE USE: IN PERSON MAIL

PRINT FIRST AND LAST NAME:

CONTACT INFORMATION		PUBLISH IN DIRECTORY? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
Home Address:		Cell Number:	
City, ST Zip Code:		Work Number:	
Precinct #:		Home Number:	
Occupation: <i>(Required for PAC Report)</i>		Email Address:	
Title:		Spouse Name:	
BEST WAY TO REACH YOU		NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL? YES: <input type="checkbox"/> NO: <input type="checkbox"/>	
Cell: <input type="checkbox"/> Work: <input type="checkbox"/> Home: <input type="checkbox"/> Email: <input type="checkbox"/>		HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US?	

CFRW REFERRALS – WOULD YOU LIKE SOMEONE TO KNOW ABOUT US?

Name	Email Address	Tel #:	Newsletter by Email:		Relationship to New Member
			Y	N	
			Y	N	

MEMBER TYPE

Name Badge	<input type="checkbox"/> New or <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement	\$15.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Active	<input type="checkbox"/> New or <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	\$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Associate	(Members of another club) <input type="checkbox"/> New or <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	\$20.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Associate Man	(Men) <input type="checkbox"/> New or <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	\$35.00	<input type="checkbox"/>

GETTING INVOLVED! -- CHECK OFF A MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITY YOU ARE INTERESTED IN

<input type="checkbox"/> Campaign Activities	<input type="checkbox"/> Programs	<input type="checkbox"/> Membership
<input type="checkbox"/> Legislation	<input type="checkbox"/> Fund Raising	<input type="checkbox"/> Publicity
<input type="checkbox"/> Historian	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Contact me with more information on activities at CFRW

Please list talents/skills you possess: (Computer skills, presentation/speaking, meeting/event planning, etc.)

Please make check payable to Cy-Fair Republican Women	Total Amount Due:
Mail check and this form to: Betty Guthrie 12306 Francel Ln. Cypress, TX 77429	Please circle Cash or enter Check #: Date Received:

For more information regarding membership, please contact Betty Guthrie: 281-370-3956 (Home)





Cy-Fair Republican Women 2011 Fundraiser
"Lunch with the US Senatorial Candidates"

2011 High Heels
and High Tea



Fashion Show and Luncheon
With Blind Auction and
Vender Showcase

Friday, October 14, 2011 11:00 am to 2:00 pm
Raveneaux Country Club ~ 9415 Cypresswood Drive
Spring, Texas 77379

VENDER SHOWCASE WITH OVER 20 BOOTHS, BLIND AUCTION, COMMENTS FROM EACH OF OUR US SENATORIAL CANDIDATES, A DELICIOUS LUNCHEON, FOLLOWED BY A FASHION SHOW MODERATED BY THE CANDIDATES.

- Superior ~ \$1,500.00 for a table of 10 (Name in Program and on Placard in Reception and Preferred Seating)
- Premium ~ \$1,000.00 for a table of 10 (Name in Program and Preferred Seating)
- Select ~ \$650.00 for a table of 10 (Preferred Seating)
- Regular ~ \$65.00 (Individual Seating)

UNDERWRITING OPPORTUNITY:

- Program ~ \$500.00 ~ 1 Available: An advertisement on the Program Back Cover.

Name(s) _____

Ticket(s) _____ Amount \$ _____ Ck # _____

OCCUPATION (a must) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Please make check payable to "Cy-Fair Republican Women PAC" (No corporation checks allowed)
Please return completed forms and your check to: 10430 Lazy Meadows Drive, Houston, Texas 77064
Direct any questions to: Suzanne Davis 713-562-4901 threedavishome@sbcglobal.net

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<http://www.CFRW.net> - Cy-Fair Republican Women

<http://www.ghcfrwpac.org> - Greater Houston Council

<http://www.tfrw.org> - Texas Federation of Republican Women

<http://www.thomas.loc.gov/> - Texts of bills are updated several times a day

<http://www.capitol.state.tx.us/> - Updates on what is going on in the Texas Legislature

<http://www.texaspolicy.com/> - The Texas Public Policy Foundation produces academically sound research on important issues

<http://www.sos.state.tx.us> - Texas Secretary of State Web site offers more information on proposed constitutional amendments