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Rita's Reflections



"Wow" is the word that best describes our August 2012 evening social. Those of you who attended know what a fun night we all had. There was a great crowd, an ideal venue, plenty of good food and an inspiring program. We also had an article about our meeting on the front page of the Cypress Creek Mirror on Wednesday, August 22, 2012. Thanks again Crystal Simmons for attending and writing a great article.

Our guest speaker, Congressman Ted Poe, was wonderful and he had some interesting things to fill us in on. Most important was how redistricting has changed the geography of his Congressional District. Some of our club members live in Congressman Poe's 2nd U.S. District. Some were formerly in his District but the changes brought about by Redistricting have given these members a different Congressman. Congressman Poe brought with him a great visual of these changes. The new redistricting map shows how very convoluted these new districts are. District 2 was formerly shaped how we would imagine a district to be. Pretty much an area contained within borders where the constituents would all be close in proximity. Now the new district meanders in a somewhat horseshoe shape and almost totally surrounds

hugely Democratic districts. Seems like the idea is to keep this district from having very much interaction between it's constituents while keeping the Democratic district a large mass of like minded citizens. What a mess and this is just one example of how crazy the redistricting results are.



Barbara Buxton and Congressman Ted Poe

There is still an examination of the new districts that have been protested by many. If any changes are made it won't happen anytime soon. So in the general election coming up, everyone will vote in their present districts but this is all surely to be changed again.

The General Election will be here before we know it. We all have some hard work ahead of us to ensure the best outcome for our country's future. Some of our members participated in the Victory 2012 Kickoff on August 20 at the Harris County Republican Party Headquarters. **Harris County Judge Ed Emmett is the Chairman of Victory 2012** and he had some really good ideas to get the most Republican's out to the polls. If you would like to be involved and help get the vote out then go to the HCRPT headquarters

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to help there, work at a campaign office, block walk with a candidate or join in with the phone bank groups. Our club is planning a phone bank of our own. Joy Gregory, our Campaign Activities Chair, will be organizing our members to join and help where most needed. Please watch your email for announcements of these activities and let's make sure the

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Mark Your Calendars!

- Sept 11th** CFRW General Mtg
10:30-12:00 Carrabba's Hwy 6
- Sept 13th** CFRW Board Mtg
10:00-12:00 Hearthstone Club
- Sept 15th** Voter Registration
TBD Ace Hardware
- Sept 18th** Greater Houston
Council General Mtg
- Sept 19th** Voter Registration
TBD Lone Star College
- Oct 9th** CFRW General Mtg
10:30-12:00 Carrabba's Hwy 6
- Oct 13th** Voter Registration
TBD Lone Star College
"CyFest"



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SEPTEMBER MEETING

Tuesday, September 11, 2012

TX Supreme Court Justice Eva Guzman

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

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

Walk-ins for Lunch will be charged \$20

Menu: Penne Carrabba (penne alfredo with grilled chicken, peas & mushrooms) Italian Salad and Dessert Rosa.

(Vegetarian meals are available with advanced notice)

RSVP by Friday, September 7, 2012

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vote is Republican in all races.

I am so proud of all of the members of Cy-Fair Republican Women and their commitment to ensuring a bright and promising future for generations to come. Whatever we have become involved in our members have come together and worked hard to see that the outcome is successful. Our members work well together and our endeavors have been so successful that others have noticed and complimented our clubs camaraderie and friendliness and willingness to get the job done. I know I have said this before but want to emphasize that all our accomplishments have been a group effort and this group strives for excellence and it shows. This club makes me proud to be at the helm of such a hard working and

committed group of women. Our members constantly make me look good and their efforts are truly appreciated. The task at hand is electing our Republican Candidates and I know this club will work to this end. Good Luck to you all.....Go Romney and Ryan. Victory in 2012 is the only solution.

~Rita Parrish





PROGRAMS

Millie Alford

What a great “social” we enjoyed for our August meeting. Special thanks to all those who participated in making this meeting one of our best socials ever. We have new members who joined at the social, and those who attended seemed to be very impressed and genuinely grateful for our efforts. Congressman Ted Poe is a great speaker and we certainly appreciate his excellent presentation for CFRW. Hit wit and humor is surpassed only by his memory for details and his delightful way of sharing his Washington, D.C. experiences. His love for our country is obvious and he really paid our Republican Women a high compliment when he acknowledged our role in politics.

September will also provide a great speaker and a woman who loves

Texas and serves our state with dignity and enthusiasm.

Justice Eva Guzman

currently serves on the Supreme Court of Texas. A three-time gubernatorial appointee, Justice Guzman brings to the Texas Supreme Court ten years of experience presiding over some of the most complex appellate matters in the State.

She began her judicial service in 1999, when she was appointed to the 309th District Court of Harris County by then Gov. George W. Bush. She was elected to that bench in 2000. In 2001, Governor Rick Perry appointed her to the Court of Appeals for the Fourteenth District of Texas at Houston where she served until October 2009, when she was appointed to the Supreme Court of Texas. She was elected to a full-term in November 2010.

Justice Guzman counts many “firsts” among her professional accomplishments—the first Latina



appointed and then elected to a Harris County Family District Court, the first Latina appointed, then elected to the Houston-based Fourteenth Court of Appeals, and ultimately, the first Latina appointed and elected to the Supreme Court of Texas.

She has been awarded many awards, such as the 2012 Pathfinder Award, by the Texas Women Lawyers; the “2010 Woman of the Year” by LULAC Council 402 and the 2009 Pathfinder Award by the Travis County Women Lawyers Association.

You will be thrilled to meet such a strong supporter of conservative values. Be sure to make your reservation and bring a friend to the September 11 meeting.

MEMBERSHIP

Betty Guthrie

CFRW welcomes new Active members **Angelina Gooden, Laura Southall** and **Kathryn Walsh**. We welcome back **Justice Brett Busby** and new member **U.S. Congressman Ted Poe (TX-2)** as Associate Men! We look forward to your participation in our activities and appreciate your support.

Our August Social was a huge success with over 100 in attendance to hear Congressman Poe speak about current issues of interest to all, to learn more about CFRW and to meet our members. We encourage you to join us on Tuesday, September 11, to hear speaker Texas Supreme Court Justice Eva Guzman!

Membership dues in CFRW for the remainder of the **2012** year are reduced to **\$17.00** for all classifications of membership (Active, Associate and Associate

Man) if paid in September or October. Dues paid in November or December revert back to regular amounts (**Active \$30, Associate \$20, Associate Man \$35**) and will be applied to **2013** membership.

Join our grassroots organization to support our GOP candidates and Republican platform! A Membership Application is included in this newsletter. It may also be accessed on our Web site www.cfrw.net. Join now and get involved! You may contact me at BLPGuthrie@aol.com or 281-370-3956, if you have any questions.

Thanks for being part of the CFRW Club!

Welcome to our New Member **Judith Nelms**





Campaign

Joy Gregory

The 2012 Elections are approaching very quickly and our Club needs to take an active role in securing the election for the Romney-Ryan Ticket. There will be a number of opportunities to participate in the very near future. We will have two more Voter Registration Drives in September and one in October. Sept 15th at the ACE Hardware; Sept. 19th and Oct. 13th at Lone Star College for "CYFest".

We will also need volunteers to help the Daughters of Liberty staff their Campaign headquarters in September and October. There will be phone banks that need volunteers to call voters and neighborhood walks to distribute information. We can attend rallies for candidates and share information with our friends and relatives. I will pass around a list at our next meeting and ask for names of those willing to participate in these activities. Check your emails regularly because the pleas for help come out frequently and often with short notice.

With the primary election finally behind us, Victory Chairman and Harris County Judge Ed Emmett

wasted no time to organize our statewide efforts. He met with representatives of most of the state wide office holders as well as the campaign team of the U.S. Senate nominee, Ted Cruz, to review the proposed Victory calender and fundraising plans.



Judge Emmett noted that because the run off was delayed until July 31st as opposed to when it was originally scheduled in April, most of Victory's operations and

fundraising were unavoidably delayed. The judge noted that the regular major Victory contributors did not want to commit their contributions to Victory until after the July 31st run off was concluded. Fortunately, he has already been able to raise some funds, and there are additional funds pledged. Money raised for Victory 2012 will be spent directly on Get Out The Vote (GOTV) to support all of our candidates. GOTV efforts will include phone banks at the Victory centers, a mail program, as well as recruiting volunteers for targeted races. The judge outlined plans for five Victory centers, dependent upon complete funding, with pending plans to have

Victory centers in Harris County based out of Harris County Republican headquarters, the east Harris County center, Tarrant County center, Bexar County center, and San Patricio center.

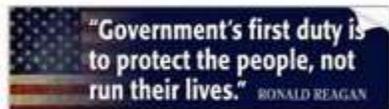
The Bexar County Victory Center supporting Congressman Canseco's re-election campaign is up and running. Callers have already made hundreds of phone calls to identify potential supporters of Congressman Canseco. To volunteer for state campaigns go to this website for more information. <http://texasgop.org/posts/277-victory-update-2012>

The Harris County Victory Center, located within Harris County GOP opened August 20th. With the primary behind us, we are focused on helping all of our Republican nominees. Please stay tuned for further announcements for additional Victory Centers to be opened in our most competitive districts.

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1,200
1,100

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LEGISLATION

Joan Hudgens

The Texas Solution on Immigration

On June 8 (2012), the Texas Republican Party adopted a state platform that supports a federal guest worker program for aliens to enter the U.S. to work. The proposed program is being called the “Texas Solution”, because it addresses the illegal immigration issue from a local prospective (since Obama refuses to propose any real solutions). This Program is important because it avoids mass deportation, and prevents mass amnesty. Furthermore, it is a conservative, market- and law based approach to our nation’s immigration quandary.

For the past few years, liberals have used emotions and political pandering as their tools to craft any immigration solution. However, this GOP proposal is put together with logic, common sense, and the rule of law.

The platform has four major points.

1.) Secure the U.S. border and the nation.

2.) Modernize the federal Social Security Card with anti- counterfeit, technology, but not to be used as a National ID card for U.S. borders and the nation.

3.) Begin the “conversation” to clarify Section 1 of the 14th amendment to limit citizenship by birth to those born to a citizen in the United States with no exceptions, and without retroactive removal of citizenship.

4.) Create a temporary worker program to bring skilled and unskilled workers into the United States for temporary periods of time when no U.S. workers are currently available. This program should also require:

- Self-funding through participation fees and fines;
- Applicants must pass a full criminal background check;
- Applicants with prior immigration violations would only qualify for the program if they paid the- appropriate fines;
- Applicants and/ or Employers must prove that they can afford and/ or secure private health insurance;
- Applicants must waive any and all rights to apply for financial assistance from any public entitlement programs;
- Applicant must show a proficiency in the English language and complete an American civic class;
- Temporary workers would only be able to work for employers that deduct and match payroll taxes;
- All participants would be issued an individual Temporary-Worker Biometric Identification Card that tracks all address changes and both civil and criminal court appearances as a defendant.

Liberals are always claiming conservatives are “anti-immigrant”, but here is a logical and practical approach to the immigration issues and needs of our nation. It avoids mass deportation which would be costly and impractical, it prevents



the breakup of families, and it does not create any amnesty programs.

Strict enforcement of immigration law and oversight of the temporary worker program will be important to the success of this program. However, the GOP and conservatives have placed a proposal on the table. It is not a one-sided conservation anymore. Importantly, it will keep many Hispanics from being used as political pawns by liberals and Democrats.

George Rodriguez is president of the South Texas Political Alliance, a conservative advocacy organization that addresses state and local issues.

Article from:

<http://blog.mysanantonio.com>

George Rodriguez





Ted Poe Speaks to Cy-Fair Republican Women

As one of the most prolific speakers in the United States House of Representatives, Congressman Ted Poe was a logical choice as the keynote speaker for the Cy-Fair Republican Women's annual social at the Longwood Golf Pavilion.

Poe used the opportunity to call more than 100 club members and their families to action against the country's ballooning deficit without raising taxes.

"Every day the United States brings in \$5 billion to the federal treasury, but every day the federal government spends \$9 billion," he said.

There are two solutions to fix the deficit: raising taxes or cutting programs, he said.

"47 percent of people in this country pay no income tax. We don't need more taxes; we need more tax payers," he said. "You don't raise taxes during an economic crisis. In our entire history, we've never been able to tax ourselves out of an economic crisis."

Currently, President Obama is threatening to let the Bush tax cuts expire for the wealthy. Poe believes the move would further damage the economy, explaining that low tax



Congressman Ted Poe with Rita Parrish, President of the Cy-Fair Republican Women

rates promote business expansion and a broader tax base.

"Because the federal government has tied up capital, small businesses aren't wanting to spend any money. If they have any, they hang on to it," he said. "Lowering the tax rate actually brings in more revenue for the government."

Instead of a system where a few support the many, Poe wants to move to a fair tax system, which would allow the government to get rid of the IRS, he said. His view directly contrasts with the current administration, which recently hired 1600 new IRS agents to coincide with the expansion of the Affordable Care Act.

"There are 90 of us in favor of a fair tax bill," he said. "But it's not going anywhere until the public supports it."

Poe, who serves on the foreign affairs committee, also wants to change the way foreign aid is distributed. The problem is committee members have to vote on which countries receive foreign aid in bulk instead of individually, he said. Out of 192 countries, 158 of them are lumped together on a list, he said. His most recent triumph was authoring a bill that would cut off approximately \$650 million of aid to Pakistan, a mere percentage of the full \$1.3 billion the United States sent to the country.

"We don't need to pay them to betray us. They'll do it for free," he said.

He also advocated letting the death tax die because "it makes no sense," developing the Keystone Pipeline to become more energy independent and reigning in out-of-control spending.

Poe ended by urging everyone to show their support in the November election.

"Elections are campaigns," he said. "It is a military concept and the battle is over in November. but it takes place from now until election day, and you have to be engaged in the battle."

*Article from The Cypress Mirror
Written by CRYSTAL SIMMONS*

NEWSFLASH! JOIN TODAY

REDUCED CFRW MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR REMAINDER OF 2012

Membership dues for CFRW have been reduced for the remainder of 2012! Dues for all classifications of membership are only \$17.00 if paid in September or October. CFRW dues paid in November or December will revert to full price and be applied to 2013 year membership (Active \$30, Associate \$20, Associate Man \$35). To join now, see page 7 for the Membership Application or join online at www.cfrw.net.



Cy-Fair Republican Women

2012 Membership Application

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

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

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Mail check and this form to: **2012 dues are reduced in Sept. and Oct.**
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<http://www.tfrw.org> - Texas Federation of Republican Women

[http:// www.thomas.loc.gov/](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

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