

TFRW Region 5, Texas CD1  
Newsletter  
December 2017

# Republican Women Of Gregg County



Dear Members,

As we all start to look towards an exiting 2018, let's not forget what the month of December means to us. December speaks of the ending of the year with the promise of a new beginning in January. December is a time filled with holidays and parties, when people get together with family and friends and celebrate all their blessings throughout the past year.

We will start out our New Year by coming together to discuss by-laws, membership, awards, committees and future fundraisers. Please plan to attend the January meeting to bring thoughts, ideas, knowledge and experiences.

I would like our members to come forward and help our organization grow so it is more comprehensive and diverse. Diversity in opinions helps our organization thrive with all the different experiences and wealth of knowledge each person brings to our meetings. We need members to participate not only with meetings but also with comments. As a group that is concerned about our city, county, state and country we need to grow and get new members involved.

It's time for the clock to spin over on membership - now is the time we should be sending in our 2018 renewals and new submissions. We want to send in before January 1 to count for Awards.

I look forward to working with each of you for the betterment of our cause and beliefs.

Thank You,  
Kim Martin, RWGC President 2018

## Christmas Party

December 7, 6pm @ Posada's  
Come and Enjoy fellowship and food with your Republican friends.

Don't forget to invite a friend & bring can goods to help Longview Community Ministries re-fill their food pantry.



Add event to your  
**Calendar**

December 7, National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day  
December 7, 6pm, @ Posada's - Christmas Party  
December 15, Bill of Rights Day  
December 25, Christmas Day  
January 13, 11am, Board Meeting/Planning Meeting @  
Kim's House NF-38 Lake Cherokee  
January 17, Membership Meeting @ Posada's  
January 18, Republican Club @ Jalapeno Tree



At our November 2017 general meeting, Judge Tim Bryan swore in RWGC officers for 2018



**Officers for 2018:**

- President –**  
Kim Martin 903-646-3180
- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Pres –**  
Brenda Carlton 903-399-6705
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President –**  
Marty Rhymes 903-746-0281
- Treasurer –**  
Judi Morgan – 903-235-6287
- Secretary –**  
Judy Frey – 903-753-8372



**FROM TFRW VP Finance Karen Newton**

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**STATEWIDE FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY**

- So far Gregg County RW is in the Lead with \$580!!!!
- Texans for Greg Abbott wishes to increase the overall Republican voter turnout statewide in Texas to help as many down-ballot Republicans as possible.
- TFRW members are encouraged to volunteer to knock on doors with Texans for Greg Abbott and in conjunction with their local Republican candidates.
- Texans for Greg Abbott will contribute \$5 per survey completed by members while block walking to their club and the club with the highest number of survey completions at the end of 2017 will win a special event with Governor Abbott.*
- All surveys must be completed on Advantage Mobile.



The Republican Women of Gregg County won the Statewide Fundraising Opportunity last month! We received the check at the November general meeting. Also, the who walked and other club members were invited to the Governor's Mansion for his Grassroots Christmas Party on December 2. We all need to thank Rhonda Anderson for her steadfast leadership in this fantastic opportunity for our club. Several others have walked with Rhonda to continue to earn money for RWGC and promote the Republican Party in Gregg County.



**Republican Women of Gregg County**  
**Membership Application**

2017 Membership Information

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one: \_\_\_\_\_ \$30 Active Membership – Voting Privileges \_\_\_\_\_ \$15 Associate Membership

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's name \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home number \_\_\_\_\_ Work number \_\_\_\_\_ Cell number \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Registered Voter? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Precinct # \_\_\_\_\_

Active Member \_\_\_\_\_ Associate Member \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of another club? \_\_\_\_\_

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

I AM INTERESTED IN THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES

Campaign Activities \_\_\_\_\_

Fund Raising \_\_\_\_\_

Legislative \_\_\_\_\_

Membership \_\_\_\_\_

Programs \_\_\_\_\_

Publicity \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Comments \_\_\_\_\_

Contributions to Republican Women PAC's are not deductible for income tax purposes.

# Republican Women of Gregg County

## General Meeting

November 15, 2017

President Brenda Carlton called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon at Posados, Triple Creek on Judson Road on Wednesday, November 15, 2017, with 18 in attendance. We welcomed Joy Oney (sp?) who has recently moved here from Virginia.

Judi Morgan led in prayer. Marty Rhymes led the pledges.

### Swearing in of new RWGC officers:

Judge Tim Bryan swore in RWGC officers for 2018 – president, Kim Martin; 1<sup>st</sup> vice president, Brenda Carlton; 2<sup>nd</sup> vice president, Marty Rhymes; secretary, Judy Frey; treasurer, Judi Morgan.

### Business:

- RWGC will hold a Christmas Party from 6 to 8 PM Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at Posados. All Gregg County Republicans are invited for fun, food, a membership drive, and collection of canned goods for Longview Community Ministries. Cans of protein and fruit are especially appreciated.
- Michelle Gilley, Nancy Holly and Jhazmyne Johnson have earned \$580 for RWGC by block walking for Governor Abbott. Nancy earned another \$150 last Saturday.
- \$800 was received from Teresa of Rahab's Retreat for our June fund-raiser.
- Rhonda moved that both the minutes of the October RWGC meeting, and the October financial report, be approved; Kim seconded; all approved.

### Speaker:

Rhonda Anderson introduced our speaker Sharon Williamson, Jay Dean's local assistant, who spoke since Jay had been called to Austin for a meeting of the Drug Abuse Task Force, to which he has been appointed. She relayed Jay's greetings, and reported on his first session in the legislature:

- Jay was on the Appropriations Committee which determines the Texas state budget, important because Texas is one of the top ten economies of the world. The largest share of the budget goes to education and health and human services. Every agency except education cut its budget this session.
- Jay co-sponsored a bill on the banning of sanctuary cities, and the law passed requires cities to follow existing law, which some have not been doing.
- He also co-sponsored a sanctity-of-life bill, making abortions more difficult to obtain.
- Also he co-sponsored the bill authorizing Texas' participation in a Convention of States.
- He authored a bill requiring removal of dead people from the voting rolls.
- He sponsored a post-humus honor for courage under fire to Serviceman Watkins who was killed in the Korean War.
- He was also responsible for a bill outlawing synthetic marijuana.
- Jay's district office is in the Gregg County Courthouse, suite 103. Visitors are welcome.

They get calls from people needing different kinds of help, such as doctors needing local licenses to practice or people trying to get a refund of money from the state.

Someone asked why Jay did not sign the letter from the GOP Caucus saying that he will support a very conservative candidate for Speaker of the Texas House in the next session. Sharon explained that Jay is waiting to see who the nominee will be before he promises support.

Brenda adjourned the meeting at 12:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Judy Frey, Secretary