

### **PRESIDENT'S LETTER**



100 days and still counting....under the extraordinary leadership of our extraordinary President Trump, he has brought jobs back to America among so many other things. Looking at Trump's cabinet it is easy to see why Washington, DC is in a turmoil. His picks are bosses who actually expect their employees to work. The thing that bothers a lot of people about Trump is that he refuses to accept a can't do attitude, or inexperienced, incompetent performance. He WILL get results; it just might not be smooth or pretty. Thank you President Trump, we're behind you!

The Texas Legislature is drawing to a close very soon....but there is still so much that needs our attention. Please contact your House Representative on HB 3903 which is needed to fix the campaign funds issue of Judges/ Judicial Candidates allowing them to take part in our individual club events. This is critical to all of us. The D's do not like this bill and do NOT want it passed. Our meeting next week has two dynamic women speaking. Justice Martha Jamison will be speaking on Judicial Selection and Dr. Heidi Lange will speak on how to run for public office. Both of these women are very accomplished in their fields and will bring a wealth of information to all of us.

May is National Military Appreciation month. Thank a Veteran or an Active Duty soldier for your freedom!

See you at our meeting next week, bring your club members – someone might want to run for office.

**Cheryl Dalton** 

President, Greater Houston Council



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**GREATER HOUSTON COUNCIL OF FEDERATED REPUBLICAN WOMEN** 



MAY 16, 2017

# 9:30 A.M.

## **TRINI MENDENHALL CENTER**

# **JUDICIAL SELECTION**

## A TOPIC OF GREAT INTEREST TODAY

# Judge Martha Hill Jamison will speak on how the Judicial Selection Process is handled in the U.S. and globally.

Justice Jamison brings thirteen years of judicial experience to her position on the 14<sup>th</sup> Court of Appeals. A mediator and a trial judge before coming to the court in 2010, Justice Jamison has produced thoughtful opinions on many aspects of civil, criminal, juvenile and family law. Justice Jamison is a graduate of the University of Texas School of Law and is Board Certified in Civil Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

# THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN POLITICS

## **BRINGING WOMEN INTO THE POLITICAL ARENA**

# Dr. Heidi Lange will speak on our place as women running for office, and what to expect after we're elected.

Dr. Heidi Lange Galito, Ph.D. has worked tirelessly in Texas politics for more than 30 years, providing political consulting and fundraising services to dozens of successful campaigns of conservative women. Founded in 1994, H.M. Lange Consulting provides fundraising, campaign strategy, database management, direct mail, as well as candidate preparation and presentation. She is experienced in multi-candidate primary battles to special elections to general election races in marginal districts for some of Texas' most prominent national, state, and local election officials and conservative organizations.

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# **COUNCIL NEWS**



Greater Houston Council of Federated Republican Women

# Minutes from General Meeting on Tuesday, March 21,2017

President Cheryl Dalton called the January General Meeting to order at 10 AM. A short video titled *Indivisibles Guide to Disrupting and Resisting Trump Agenda* was shown. Chaplain Sophia Mafrige gave the invocation and led the pledges to the United States Flag and the Texas Flag.

Cheryl Dalton introduced the Elected Officials and Candidates in attendance.

Legislative Chair, Wendi Lojo Introduced the Panelists participating in the program on Strategies To Influence Public Policy. Panelists were the Honorable Martha Wong, the Honorable Beverly Woolley, Mayor Don Elder, Jr., Mayor Allen Owens, and Lobbyist John Luman. Also on the program were Theresa Kosmoski, TFRW President, Carolyn Hodges, TFRW Past President , and Jan Ott, TFRW Deputy President discussing the TFRW Resolutions for the coming year.

Treasurer, Cindy Siegel presented the Treasurer's report. GHC bank balance was \$ 13,958.68 as of February 28, 2017.

Cheryl Dalton announced that the Council would celebrate the Fifty-fifth Anniversary of GHC on October 6,2017 with a luncheon honoring Past Presidents. The luncheon will be held at The Junior League.

Other announcements:

April 6, 2017	Legislative Day
April 7, 2017	Rally at Hillary Clinton Lunch
April 18, 2017	Executive Board Meeting
May 16, 2017	GHC General Meeting

The Meeting was adjourned at 12 PM. Submitted by, Joy Gregory

### HOSPITALITY

### Edie Holland and Givvie Searcy

Thank you to Bay Area RW, West Pearland RW, and Golden Triangle RW for the delicious refreshments they provided for the March meeting. Memorial West RW, Clear Creek RW and Magic Circle RW will be providing the refreshments for the May meeting.

We still need clubs to volunteer for the November meeting. Please contact Edie Holland at edie-holland@comcast.net or Givvie Searcy at gsearcy@prodigy.net.

### **PROGRAM FOR MAY MEETING**

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, May 16 at 9:30 AM at the Trini Mendenhall Center, 1414 Wirt Road.

The program will feature speakers on 2 important topics.

### **JUDICIAL SELECTION**

### THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN POLITICS

Please invite your club members to attend and hear this important information.



# **COUNCIL NEWS**



**GREATER HOUSTON COUNCIL OF FEDERATED REPUBLICAN WOMEN** 

# CELEBRATES 55 YEARS

### Of

## **REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S POLITICAL ACTIVISM**

As members of your local clubs, you are members of Greater Houston Council of Federated Republican Women, Texas Federation of Republican Women, and the National Federation of Republican Women.

WE ARE ONE TEAM, ONE VOICE

# SAVE THE DATE

## FRIDAY

## October 6, 2017

## LUNCH

## THE JUNIOR LEAGUE OF HOUSTON

All member clubs will join in this celebration and are encouraged to decorate their Clubs' tables.

Committees are being formed now: contact Diane Sloan, 3<sup>rd</sup> VP of Events at 281-948-1683 or

ladysloano@aol.com to volunteer for this fun and informative event! We need everyone involved. Clubs: Please consider some type of sponsorship in your budget.

# **CLUB NEWS**

### **GOLDEN TRIANGLE REPUBLICAN WOMEN**

The Golden Triangle RW was honored to have our state president Theresa Kosmoski as our guest speaker at our May 1 luncheon meetintg. She spoke about the importance of local elections and warned the group about candidates who refer to themselves as conservatives but are really democrats at heart. Great speech!

Our June meeting will have U. S. Congressman Brian Brian (CD36) as our speaker. We do not meet in July but will meet on August 7 when Bianca Gracias will speak about the importance of the minority vote.

Our meetings are held at the Elegante Hotel and we would love to have you join us!

### KINGWOOD AREA REPUBLICAN WOMEN

As always KARW remains actively involved in electing our Republican candidates. We have been block walking (over 2,000 homes) and phone banking (over 3,000 phones calls using the Red Phone application) for the May 6 Humble ISD Board Elections.

Additionally, we had a golf tournament (Sadie Hawkins) to benefit the baby shower we are planning for pregnant veterans in June. Last Fall, we organized the first baby shower for our female veterans and it was embraced by our community. It was a huge success. It received television and newspaper coverage. We are doing it again this year, first week of June.

### MONTGOMERY COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

The Montgomery County Republican Women's Club will have a fundraiser on the evening of September 7, 2017 at River Plantation Country Club in Conroe. Our guest speaker will be Pete Hegseth with the Fox News Channel. Pete Hegseth is one of the hosts of "Fox and Friends" on the weekends and often does other features for Fox News. He is an Army veteran of the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq and was also a guard at Guantanamo Bay. He was awarded two Bronze Stars and a Combat Infantryman's Badge for his time in Iraq and Afghanistan. More details about the evening will be posted nearer to the event.

Our April meeting featured Catherine Engelbrecht who founded "True the Vote" and was investigated numerous times by the Internal Revenue Service. She spoke about work she has done toward voter integrity and her ongoing interaction with governmental agencies.

Our May 25 meeting will have District Attorney Brett Ligon speak on Ethics in Government.

Montgomery County Republican Women will be awarding 2 scholarships to deserving young women and will be honoring our 12<sup>th</sup> grade Americanism Essay winner.



Catherine Engelbrecht

# **CLUB NEWS**

# **OTHER NEWS**

### **REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB OF KATY**

The Republican Women's Club of Katy hosted High Tea and Hats at our April meeting. Members decorated tables and everyone wore beautiful hats. The featured speaker was Jacquie Baly, Business owner and Policy Analysts with Fox 26 News. Jacquie acted as judge for the "Best Hat" competition. This was a fabulous and fun meeting for all and the club earned about 10 new

### YOUNG REPUBLICANS

In late April, over a hundred students and alumni from across the state gathered in Austin for the 37th Annual YCT State Convention.

Keynote speakers included Railroad Commission Chairwoman **Christi Craddick**, Congressman **Louie Gohmert**, Austin City Councilwoman **Ellen Troxclair**, and other elected officials and professionals who discussed the important issues that grassroots conservatives are faced with today.

Students left with greater knowledge on effectively get involved in the political process and bringing conservatism to their college campuses.







**REMEMBER THE MEANING OF THE DAY** 

# PHOTOS



**REMEMBER!** 









## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

May 16, 2017	General Meeting
June 20, 2017	Board of Directors' Meeting
August 15, 2017	Board of Directors' Meeting
September 14-17, 2017	NFRW Convention
September 19, 2017	Board of Directors' Meeting
October 6, 2017	55 year Celebration
October 19-21, 2017	TFRW Convention
November 14, 2017	General Meeting





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