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MCLENNAN COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Newsletter—Fall 2020

A Message from our President, Patty Castillo

PLEASE PRAY FOR PRESIDENT TRUMP

Bravo ladies and gentlemen! During these last few months, our MCRW members have been working hard and having fun!

They didn't keep us down!



Where we've been ...

At the RPT 2020 State Convention, our members and associate members made up 73 of the 115 total delegates and alternates to convention. That's 63% of those who represent our county! Because of our efforts, we made our voices heard and elected Allen West our State Chairman! In addition, our strength and work allowed us to elect both SREC Committee members from McLennan County. Our heartfelt congratulations to Devvie Duke – our new SD22 SREC Committeewoman and Jon Ker our new Committeeman! We were a force ... we ARE a force!



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We've been working for Voter Registration! Our Red Dialer efforts have paid off and as a group, our TFRW volunteers have registered 120,000 Republican voters in Texas! Red Dialer's focus as the election nears changes strategically and now our ladies are working on polling and calling for candidates in contested races throughout Texas.

We've had incredible speakers at our meetings! Because of the restrictions, our meetings went online, and we had outstanding speakers like Gordon Chang, Debbie Georgatos and Ellen Troxclair. These are speakers we might not have been able to secure, had it not been for online meetings!

And we went live and in-person for our September meeting with extraordinary patriot and motivational speaker Nick Adams – and did he ever motivate us! We also had a visit from Texas Federation of Republican Women President, Glynis Chester who gave MCRW all sort of accolades for the work that YOU do and a citation on our 65th Anniversary!

We celebrated the 100th Anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment, which gave women the right to vote. Many members of our club stood in period clothes for a picture in front of the County Courthouse. It was a fun and memorable day for all! You'll see some of the pictures later in this newsletter.

We presented Honorary Lifetime Membership Awards to 9 extraordinary members who have contributed so much to our club and have paved the way for the work we do today! Congratulations and heartfelt thanks to: Charlotte Carpenter, Eileen Frazier, Linda Hill, Mary Hunter, Barbara Kasmirovski, Peggy Mallick, Carolyn Lomax, Helen Quiram and Nancy Swor!

We've also had fun participating in local events like the MAGA Drag the Interstate rally and the Trump Regatta Boat Parade on Lake Waco. And great news – our Red Readers book club is back!

Where we're going ...



There is ONE spot on which we all need to target our efforts – the MOST important election of our LIFE-TIME! November 3 is so close and early voting begins on October 13. We need to do EVERYTHING we can to elect our Republican candidates. This is why we exist as a club and it is now that we show what we're made of. Here are the dates you need to remember:

Deadline to Register to Vote - October 5th

Early Voting Begins - October 13th

Last Day to Request a Ballot by Mail (Absentee, etc.) - October 25th

Election Day - November 3rd

Victory Celebration! - November 4th

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Please note an important change starting with this election – in Texas there is NO more straight ticket voting! Each voter MUST vote for ALL offices all the way down the ballot! This is the message that we need to tell our friends, family, neighbors and those voters that we recruit.



CHALLENGE: I challenge you every day that we have left before the election to ask yourself:

What did I do TODAY to elect Republicans?

Did you walk one block? Make 10 phone calls? Did you talk to your neighbor about voting straight down the ballot?

In this newsletter you'll find many **Get Out the Vote** initiatives to sign up for and get to work! I have confidence in the strength that we have within our club to do the work necessary to lead us to VICTORY on November 3rd, not only for our President Donald Trump and Vice President Mike Pence, but for all of the Republicans who have stepped up to represent us here in McLennan County. From the Courthouse, all the way to the White House!

Our work is NOW!!!

Patty

Keep your eyes on the PRIZE!

NOVEMBER 3, 2020



Vice President, Kathy Endres



GOTV (Get Out The Vote!)

Remember, our slogan is #WeShowUp. And we really need to be a force to be reckoned with in the next few weeks, leading up to election. We have several initiatives where volunteers, in huge numbers, will be needed. Help all weekend, all day, half a day or whenever you can...HELP Keep Texas Red, Help reelect President Trump, Help reelect Sen. John Cornyn and all our other awesome Republicans **straight down the ballot**.

Here are five very important ways you can help. Volunteer for one or more, there is no limit on your involvement!!

Poll Watching:

This warning recently appeared on the Republican Party of Texas (RPT) website: It is chilling!

Over the last 3 general elections we've seen a growing number of polling places across Texas reporting more votes cast than voters processed. THAT'S A PROBLEM!

And that is why we need Poll Watchers. In several of our local polling places we need people to watch and ensure the integrity of the election. Watch for inconsistencies with the poll workers or the voters. This is our future we are fighting for. We will need trained Poll Watchers throughout early voting and again on Election Day. We will work with your schedule and we will train you. Please reply to mcrwpac@gmail.com today and in the subject line put **Poll Watcher Volunteer**. You will be contacted. And go to www.sos.state.tx.us and find the Poll Watchers guide to get a head start, then you will be able to ask questions at the training session. Thank you so much for your participation.

Block Walking:

Another great way to get involved and help GOTV. We are putting together teams of walkers in the next couple of weeks. We will provide lists with names and addresses that you will contact and discuss the reasons to vote Republican, and it is also an opportunity to register the unregistered voters. We suggest walking in your own neighborhood first, then branch out to other areas of town. Again training, where needed, will be provided. Also send an email to mcrwpac@gmail.com and put **Block Walking Volunteer** in the subject line. Thank you for volunteering for this initiative.

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Red Dialer:

If you prefer to work from the comfort of your home, this may be where you can excel. You will be making phone calls to poll the voters on their choice for President. The call system is automated, so you are not actually dialing, that happens through your computer or cell phone. If there is no answer, you automatically go to the next number. You will be provided with access to an on-line tutorial and once you have completed that, you will begin calling. There is a built-in counter that will keep track of the number of calls you make, and you can challenge yourself to complete a certain number each day, or each week. We all like a good challenge and here it is!! Send your email to sd22duke@gmail.com **Red Dialer Volunteer** in the subject line.

Social Media and 65+ Calling Opportunities:

Further explanation is given on page 9.

We have tried to offer something for everyone. And if everyone volunteers for at least one of the above options, just think of how many Republican voters we can turn out for Trump and whole Republican ticket!

Thank you.



Campaign Activities, Angelika Hoeher

Inspire. Unite. Achieve.

In this edition of the newsletter we want to introduce Angelika Hoeher as the new Chairman of the Campaign Activities Committee. Angelika and her husband Michael Kuehn, moved to Waco two years ago from New York. They are so thrilled to be in a Red State with like-minded people! Although she has been a club member for almost two years, when you see her at the meetings, get acquainted with her!



Campaign Hours:

For August we have received 1459 hours worked. If you have not turned in your August hours, please do so. It is so easy to do. <https://www.mcrwpac.com/members>, scroll down to Campaign Hours and enter the total and the month that you are reporting.

For the year, through August, we have 17,481 total hours. Our 2020 goal is 20,000 hours!

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Bylaws, Vera Porter

MCRW's phenomenal membership growth in 2019, dictated the need to update the **Bylaws**, the governing structure of the organization. While the project was hardly a massive makeover, it did require hours of committee work, discussion, writing and rewriting. When the local work was completed, the finished document required submission to the Texas Federation of Republican Women for final approval. TFRW gave its stamp of approval in March, 2020. All that remained in the process was a thumbs up vote by the MCRW membership, after the 30-day required note of the intended vote. **Then—COVID 19 hit.**

Meeting in person became impossible and so the MCRW Bylaws sat and sat and sat, waiting for a meeting when the general membership could lend its approval. Finally, September's meeting provided the opportunity and an affirmative vote made the current **Bylaws** our organizational document of record.

Also, for the **first** time, MCRW has a set of **Standing Rules, Policies and Procedures**, a guide to conduct the business and activities of the Club. **Unlike the Bylaws**, the Standing rules may be adopted or amended by a majority vote of the Executive Board at any regular meeting without previous notice.

Both documents may be found on MCRW's web site under the Members tab. Take a few minutes to familiarize yourself with the elements that shape our organization and the way we do business.

Faithful and patient members of the Bylaws committee include Judy Staples, Vicky Kendig and Vera Porter, chairman.

Membership, Cheryl Lenamon

2020 has been challenging for our membership, so we postponed the new membership drive until further notice. **But, we still need new members!** So, to reach out to prospective new members, the membership committee went into high gear. We have sent out the second round of post cards to Republican women in Woodway, we have called, emailed, sent out press releases and ran Facebook ads. Since April, 28 new members and associate members have joined the MCRW.



Here's how you can help:

1. Tell your friends about our new, user-friendly website. We have made it easy for anyone to learn about the MCRW and to join us online. Plus we have a second web address that is easy to remember - **WacoRepublicanWomen.com**. So, make sure all your prospective members know about our site and encourage them to join us online! They can add your name so you will get credit for their membership when the contest begins again.
2. Pick up some new website business cards at the coming meetings. These cards are designed to hand out to friends and help you navigate our new site. They have quick reference to help you know what to do and where to find it:

Buy tickets online

Join or renew online

Submit campaign hours

Reserve your spot for Red Readers

Find local/state Republican info

Get involved

Donate to MCRW

T-Shirts! Did I mention we have a new order of T-Shirts in Small, Medium, Large, XLarge & XXLarge? With only a short time left before the election, now would be the time to get your TRUMP 2020 T-Shirts.



Programs, Vicky Kendig

Someone at our Sept. 8 general meeting said that if you weren't charged up by our speaker, Nick Adams, you didn't have a pulse. So true! Nick is an Australian by birth and an American and Texan by choice, who uses his time to talk and write about the greatness of America and its opportunities.

Called the president's favorite author, Nick, a conservative best-selling writer, has been honored by having his books endorsed by President Trump. The latest, "Trump and Churchill: Defenders of Western Civilization," compares the two historic figures.

Nick reminded the MCRW members and guests that America is truly the "last place" on earth to go for opportunities and the American dream and that when America is strong, the world is strong.

In the jam-packed meeting, the president of the Texas Federation of Republican Women, Glynis Chester, presented President Patty Castillo with a certificate celebrating the club's 65th anniversary. Patty recognized TFRW and thanked them for a large donation to MCRW's billboard project. Several billboards encouraging people to vote Republican are posted on streets throughout the city, and the TFRW donation will help fund others to be added soon to Interstate 35.

Also at the meeting, nine longtime members were granted lifetime memberships in MCRW and praised for their part in building up the club. They are Charlotte Carpenter, Eileen Frazier, Linda Hill, Mary Hunter, Barbara Kasmiroski, Carolyn Lomax, Peggy Mallick, Helen Quiram and Nancy Swor.

TFRW clubs throughout the state are pledging to assist Republican candidates who are in hard-fought Texas races. MCRW has adopted Rep. Brad Buckley of District 54, who was introduced at the meeting by Rep. Doc Anderson of our District 56. Brad spoke about the importance of voting and about his race for the Texas House.

The MCRW president and GOTV Committee members presented the club's Get Out the Vote initiatives: billboards, voter registration networking, social media, churches outreach, 65+ voters, block walking, and phone and mail voter registration.

A Bylaws committee, whose members were chairman Vera Porter, Patty Castillo, Kathy Endres, Judy Staples, and Vicky Kendig, has been working on Bylaws changes for several months in order to reflect new TFRW additions and to align the Bylaws to our club's own operations. A motion to approve the new Bylaws, which have been approved by TFRW and the MCRW board, passed unanimously.

The theme of the October 13 meeting will be Get Out the Vote and will feature elected officials, including state representatives on this year's ballot, Doc Anderson and Kyle Kacal, as well as the new chairman of the Republican Party of Texas, Allen West (by video). They will get us fired up about the importance of voting Republican straight down the ballot and will also discuss their own campaigns.

We'll also have some fun at the meeting with a contest to choose who's wearing the best Get Out the Vote/patriotic attire. So pull out all of that red, white and blue bling and use your imagination to create your own eye-popping garb. The audience will choose the winner!

Get Out the Vote Initiatives

Sign up for a one or more of these GOTV initiatives TODAY!

Please send an email with the name of the initiative and your name, phone number and email to:
MCRWPAC@gmail.com



Social Media

Take a Zoom class to learn how to make Social Media more effective during our campaigns and then SHARE our messages! Be a spoke of Influence!



65+ Voter Calling

Person-to-person calling, no computer needed! Call voters 65+ to emphasize the importance of voting in this election.



Block Walking

Knock on doors (with Social Distancing) to stress the importance of Voting Republican - Straight down the Ballot.



Red Dialer

Make phone calls with an automated system. Zoom training available. It's easy!

Chaplain, Donna Jernigan

Friday Prayer-time

For the past several months, a small group of our club members has been meeting by Zoom on Fridays at 9 a.m. for prayer. In anticipation of the coming election and in light of the unrest seen in our country, this is a time when prayer is not only a privilege, it is a necessity for those of us who believe in the power of prayer and feel called to serve behind the scenes in this way.



We began by focusing on the needs we knew of within our club. There were illnesses or recent surgeries, an untimely death, and family members who were suffering in one way or another because of the quarantining and inability to receive vital medical procedures that were considered non-essential. In time, several members have had family or friends who have been hospitalized and even have died from the Covid virus. We especially lifted up those in nursing or assisted living facilities. In every instance we have upheld our President and his staff, advisors and those who attack and malign him as well. In one session we each named several of the many cabinet secretaries and asked for wisdom and prudence in their decisions and advice regarding each of their domains. As the rioting and anarchy arose, the fervency of our prayers increased and we have applied an even greater measure of spiritual warfare.

In most meetings each of us shares a passage of Scripture and sometimes a short message of what we believe the Lord is directing us to pray for. Each week there has been a clear pattern or theme that emerges. The following are some of the verses that have been shared. You will be blessed and encouraged as you read each in full for yourself and perhaps you can use them as inspiration for your own prayers during this critical time.

The following verses had very strong meaning for me in reflecting on the spirit of perverse rioting and our ultimate goal in prayer. Exodus 23:2 "You shall not follow a crowd to do evil, nor shall you bear witness at a trial so as to side with a multitude to pervert justice." The next passage is a central theme for us all. II Corinthians 10 verses 3b-5 (emphasis mine). "...As if we are invested with *only* human powers (we are not!). For though we live *in* the flesh, we are not carrying on our warfare according to the flesh and using *mere* human weapons. For the weapons of our warfare are not physical weapons of flesh and blood, but they are **mighty** before God for the *overthrow* (KJV says pulling down) and *destruction* of strongholds. Inasmuch as we refute arguments and theories and reasonings and **every** proud and lofty thing that sets itself up against the **true** knowledge of God. And we *lead every thought and purpose away captive into the obedience of Christ*, the Messiah, the anointed one."

When we prayed for Allen West after his accident, our theme verses were Psalm 147:3, Jeremiah 30:7a, James 5:15a, Psalm 103:2-4, and Psalm 41:3.

You can come onto the meeting and pray silently or take a turn to share your prayer aloud. This is a safe place to join hearts with like-minded women and take the burdens of our Nation, President, community, our families and any other need you feel prompted to submit, and lay them before God's throne. The meetings have been lasting right at an hour, but you can leave the meeting any time you need to and any time at the end can be used for visiting.

If you are unable to be with us for these meetings and you have a specific prayer need, you may contact me and we will be sure to lift up your request.

Donna Jernigan

Chaplain, MCRW

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