

President's Letter



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Well, summer is over and it is time to get back in the groove and back to work!! Hope everyone has enjoyed their summer. We didn't get a break from politics with the National Conventions. But we did get a Republican nominee for President. Now that that has been determined, it is necessary for all of us to decide what we can do to get Donald Trump elected president. Is he the perfect candidate? Of course not, but he is far better than what we have now and what we would get with Hillary Clinton. One of the most important things the next president will do is appoint Supreme Court Justices. Those appointments will truly affect this nation for generations to come.

I believe the liberal media, the democrats, and the power hungry politicians will do and say whatever they can to stop Donald Trump. It will be up to us to not let that happen. It is easy to

get discouraged, to just say "Oh well, I'm just one vote". Look at what is happening everyday all around us. It is alarming to see what has happened in the last eight years. If we don't get Trump elected, the future of our children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren is in jeopardy. They will never know what this country was once like. If we all unite together, we can be more than one vote. We can be thousands. We can let our voice be heard. This is still our country. Are you willing to fight for it?

"The Texas Federation of Republican Women, founded in 1955, has a statewide membership of 10,000 and over 160 clubs. TFRW is the largest, most powerful women's political organization in Texas and provides the avenue for women to influence policy, develop candidates, and elect leaders."

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NEXT MEETING

Thursday, September 8 2016, 7 p.m.

Fall Kick Off

Toni Anne Dashiell

Republican National Committeewoman for Texas

First Christian Church Fellowship Hall, Gainesville, Texas

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President's Letter continued...

Lots of things are going on this Fall for CCRW. We will have our Fall Kickoff on September 8th. Dianne Helms has a dynamic speaker lined up for the evening. Toni Anne Dashiell, Republican National Committeewomen for Texas, will be our guest. If you have never heard Toni Anne speak, you are in for a real treat.

Dinner will be smoked brisket. The club will furnish the meat and the members will be asked to bring the trimmings. **Please let Nenia know what you will be bringing.**

The nominating committee will be meeting soon to select a slate of new officers for 2017. The slate will be presented in October, elected in November and installed at the December celebration. If you are interested in serving let one of the committee members know.

In December the Club will be celebrating our 25th anniversary. Plans are being made for a big celebration in conjunction with our annual Christmas party.

I invite you to come and be a part of this great club. Together we can do great things!

*God Bless America,
Dorothy Lewis, 2015-2016 CCRW President*

Hospitality

--Hospitality Chairman, Nenia Kahl, 940-641-2922, nmk67@hotmail.com

PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU ARE BRINGING SOMETHING. Texting is best 940-641-2922. You can email also.

CCRW Tee—Come get you one!

Interested in getting a sparkling club t-shirt, featuring our new logo? The minimum order is 24. As soon as 24 members sign up, we'll collect sizes and payment (\$15), and place an order.



Email me if you want to order a shirt, dorothy@rdl.us.

Note: We will not ask for money or place an order until we have 24. Get your name on the list now!

Legislatively Speaking

--Sharon McCormack, Legislative Chair, 817-996-3265 sharonmc@ntin.net

LEGISLATION INTRODUCED TO STOP OBAMA FROM FREEING ILLEGAL ALIEN KILLERS!

It was January 31, 2016. Sarah Root sat in her Oldsmobile at an intersection, waiting for the light to go green.

She had been celebrating all day and for good reason. One day earlier, Sarah graduated from college with a perfect 4.0 grade point average. She was excited to start a new phase of her life.

That changed in an instant. A pickup truck slammed into Sarah's car, sending it flying 800 feet through the intersection.

The pickup truck was being driven by Eswin G. Mejia, an illegal alien who came to the United States in 2013. He was street racing and

when the police gave him a breathalyzer, he blew a 0.241, which is three times the legal limit.

When Sarah's parents arrived at the hospital after being notified of a crash, they expected to see their daughter with a broken arm or leg. No one told them that they were being brought in to identify the body.

Her illegal alien killer was arraigned and set free after posting just \$5000 bail. His bail was less than the cost of Sarah Root's funeral. Now, her killer has disappeared and is nowhere to be found.

In her memory, Sarah's Law has been introduced and is being scheduled for a vote. This bill is common sense and needs our help to contact our U.S. Congress.

Sarah's Law is being presented as a companion bill for Kate's Law. The law would force the Obama administration to detain any illegal alien accused of killing or causing serious bodily harm to anyone, and be remanded into custody without bail.

Right now you can go onto the Border Patrol website and there is a Frequently Asked Questions page detailing how illegal aliens can avoid capture by hiding inside schools, churches, hospitals, or even public rallies or demonstrations.

Yes, the Obama administration is actually advertising safe-zones for illegal aliens.....

The Senators from Iowa and Nebraska—Joni Ernst, Chuck Grassley, Deb Fischer, and Ben Sasse have officially introduced Sarah's Law into the United States Senate. They are demanding a vote and since Sen. Grassley is the chairman of the Judiciary Committee, this bill will get pushed through committee.

But they are already facing stiff opposition from the Democrats who want to make sure that illegal aliens can avoid consequences for their killings of Americans.

They need our help to get this law passed!!

DID HILLARY'S EMAIL GET ONE OF OUR SPIES EXECUTED?

On August 7th, the Iranian Government announced the execution of one of its state nuclear scientists, Shahram Amiri.

Amiri was accused of spying for the American government and passing on details of Iran's nuclear program. The Iranians found out that he was working with us, so they put him to death.

How did they figure it out? Well, there is no telling exactly how Iran uncovered the spy in their nuclear program. But Hillary Clinton certainly made it easier for them. On her non-secure email server, she openly discussed Shahram Amiri's situation. They referred to him as "our friend" and discussed how we could possibly extricate him from Iran.

During an interview a few days ago, Sen. Tom Cotton (R-AR) announced that Hillary Clinton may have actually contributed to this man's death. When asked about the Iranian nuclear scientist's execution, Cotton said, "I'm not going to comment on what he may or may not have done for the United States Government, but in the emails that were on Hillary Clinton's private server, there were conversations among her senior advisors about this gentleman".

Hillary Clinton lied about her private email server and gave false statements under oath to congress. That is a crime. Just because she won't be prosecuted for one crime doesn't mean she should get away with other crimes.

Congress can hold Hillary Clinton in Contempt of Congress. Congress retains the power, under the law and the constitution, to hold anyone

who testifies before a Congressional body in Contempt of perjury for giving false statements under oath.

This is an important check to executive power. Without the authority to hold an executive branch official in Contempt of Congress, the executive branch would be expected to prosecute its own people.

All it takes is a simple majority vote. Then, a referral is delivered to the Attorney General and she becomes OBLIGATED to impanel a Grand Jury. Whereas the AG has the ultimate say in whether to move forward from an FBI referral, the Attorney General has no power to derail a Contempt of Congress charge!!

It is up to us to force Congress to honor its oath and use every tool at its disposal, including formally charging Hillary with Contempt of Congress lying under oath!

1991-2016: Celebrating 25 years of commitment and action for conservative values...

Cooke County Republican Women chartered on October 21, 1991

-by Pauline Lesch, based on "Reconstructing Reconstruction Politics" and other notes by Shirley Newton

This year marks the 25th anniversary of Cooke County Republican Women, which was chartered on October 21, 1991. On that date, CCRW also became a federated club of the Texas Federation of Republican Women and the National Federation of Republican Women.

Ten Cooke County Women were the club's founders.

President Shirley Newton

Vice President Ann Scivally

Treasurer Maxine Cole

Secretary/Legislative Chair Monica Lamb

Parliamentarian Edythe Rodgers (deceased)

Chaplain Essie Fae Scott (deceased)

Publicity Chair Audrey Silvernale (deceased)

Hospitality Chair Mary Fellers

Decorating Chair Rita McCreary

Carol Washburn

There was another Cooke County woman who was a driving force behind the formation of CCRW. That was **Marcia Saunders**, who had moved to Lake Kiowa with her husband Terry. Marcia was the mentor, the "Mother Hen" according to Maxine, who taught Cooke County Republicans how to conduct phone banks and walk neighborhoods to get out the vote. She taught them how to monitor elections as poll watchers, how to hold successful fundraisers, how to campaign. Her political contacts brought the Party's big name speakers to Cooke County.

Although Marcia was not a founding member of CCRW, she had already held five of the top offices in TFRW, and was instrumental in founding three Republican Women clubs before coming to Cooke County. After her move here, she was elected to serve as President of TFRW.

In 1991, all elected public officials in Cooke County were Democrats. Marcia not only energized the County's Republican Women, she also encouraged Republicans to challenge Democrat incumbents. And the rest, as they say, is history.

Next month, "Meet the Founders" who have been an active part of CCRW for 25 years, Shirley Newton, Maxine Cole and Monica Lamb.

Save the Date! Our 25th Anniversary celebration will take place on Thursday, December 8, at First Christian Church, as part of our Christmas party and Installation of 2017 Officers.



25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!

**SAVE THE DATE:
Thursday, December 8!**

More details to come

CCRW HELP NEEDED

If you can help with any of the following events please let President Dorthy Lewis know

September 8th Fall Kickoff

All help needed

October 6th CCRW Meeting

Soups, set-up & clean-up crews needed

November 3rd CCRW Meeting

Chili, set-up & clean-up crews needed

**December 8th CCRW 25th Anniversary Celebration,
Christmas Party & Installation of 2017 Officers**

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www.cookegop.com

--Chris McNamara, CCRP County Chair, chair@cookegop.com

It is time to crank the election machine up again!

Trump/Pence signs are ordered and should be heading this way soon. As soon as they are available, I will bring them with me everywhere I go and with your help do my best to spread them to every corner of Cooke County. We will also be looking for volunteers that would like to help staff the office a few hours a week for those that come by for the signs. We are in the process of planning a watch party for the November 8th election and will provide more information as the election draws closer.

I want to invite everyone to join us at the next Eagle Club meeting on August 29th. Our guest will be Dustin Matocha, the executive director of Empower Texans. Empower Texans exists to assist Texans in creating and sustain a system of strong fiscal stewardship within all levels of government, ensuring the greatest amounts of economic and personal liberty, and promoting public policies that provide individuals with the freedom to use their strengths and talents in pursuit of greater opportunities. We meet at the Wolf Den Restaurant in Gainesville and start to gather around 6 to eat and the meeting kicks off at 7.



**Op-Ed from the Office of
Senator Craig Estes
Texas State Senate District 30**

For Immediate Release
Date: June 20, 2016
Contact: Kate Ferrell, 512.463.0130

Disarming the Second Amendment Won't Stop Terrorism

Partisan spin doesn't usually surprise me—after almost fifteen years in politics, I've come to expect it from both sides in response to both triumphs and tragedies. But I was honestly surprised when, after the worst terrorist attack on our soil since September 11th, the Left's response was to blame the National Rifle Association, the Republican Party, and an imaginary class of scary-looking firearms. Remember when the country used to come together after terrorist attacks and unite against our common foes?

Well this isn't 2001 anymore. Our President remains committed to discussing our common foe as little as possible, choosing instead to join his party's attack against the Second Amendment and the people who support it. This isn't new for him. After San Bernadino, he infamously stated that “[w]e have a pattern now of mass shootings in this country that has no parallel anywhere else in the world”, ignoring the fact that, *only two weeks earlier*, Islamic terrorists had attacked Paris in its third mass shooting of 2015. Blaming guns for terrorist shootings is like blaming airplanes for September 11th. France has far more firearms restrictions than the President has publicly advocated. India's gun laws are even more extreme than France's, but the worst mass shooting I can recall took place in Mumbai in 2008, when ten Muslim terrorists attacked the city for three days, killing 164 people and wounding another 300.

There is a common theme to these attacks, and it's not AR-15s or “assault weapons”, as guns that look like the AR-15 are often described. The term “assault weapon” is intentionally confusing. The gun control activists who coined it wanted it to sound like “assault rifle”, which is an actual class of military arms. But the two are not the same. Assault rifles are capable of fully automatic fire, while assault weapons are only semi-automatic. (“Automatic” means the gun will fire multiple shots if you hold the trigger down, while “semi-automatic” means the gun will only shoot once per trigger pull.) The expired federal ban that invented the term “assault weapon” defined it as any semi-automatic rifle capable of accepting a detachable magazine with two or more of the following features: a folding or telescoping stock, a pistol grip, a bayonet mount, a flash suppressor, or a grenade launcher mount. None of those listed features affect the gun's power or rate of fire; they are all either cosmetic or ergonomic in nature.

Although AR-15s are frequently called “high-powered” in the media, this is only true in the target-shooting sense. To put this in perspective, the AR-15's standard chambering makes it too weak to hunt deer legally in many states. In fact, the lower power of AR-15-style rifles relative to most others, combined with their good ergonomics, is what makes them the best-selling rifles in the country and the perennial favorite of recreational shooters.

Where guns are illegal, terrorists nevertheless manage to get a hold of them. When a person decides to commit multiple counts of pre-meditated murder, followed by suicide, statutes banning the possession of certain weapons don't act as much of a deterrent. The common theme of these attacks is not lax gun laws; it is the repeated radicalization of a small number of Muslims by ISIS, Al Qaeda, and other organizations like them that have declared a religious war on the United States and its allies. The solution to Orlando, San Bernadino, Paris, Mumbai, and scores of other attacks across the world is not

banning scary-looking guns. It's figuring out how to shut down these terror networks and their hateful propaganda.

Sen. Estes serves nearly 820,000 constituents across Senate District 30 which includes all of Archer, Clay, Cooke, Erath, Grayson, Jack, Montague, Palo Pinto, Parker, Wichita, Wise, and Young counties and parts of Collin and Denton counties.

The Role of the 2nd Vice President - Membership

*--Jamie Orsburn, Vice President-Membership,
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Membership is the lifeblood of our club, because it keeps the active members and the new members current with our National, State and Local Republican Women's Clubs. Without our amazing members, we wouldn't be the Cooke County Republican Women!

Duties of the Membership VP:

- ✓ Provide membership applications at each meeting & have them available at all times.
- ✓ Provide sign-in sheets at each meetings for members and guest
- ✓ Provide name tags and/or badges for our members, guests, candidates and elected officials.
- ✓ Encourage new members to join our club, participate in the meetings and get involved.
- ✓ Provide membership reports at the club meetings and a written report for the President, Secretary and Treasurer at the Executive Meetings.
- ✓ Keep up to date records on all members, applications for each year's membership and new members, record all the members and any new information, and forward membership form and membership fees to the Treasurer within a timely manner.
- ✓ Keep up to date records for TFRW of our local club members and submit report and check request to Treasurer to cover our TFRW dues.
- ✓ Create and distribute a yearly membership directory with current CCRW by-laws, members and associate members.

Required Reports and due dates:

Membership Applications – each calendar year

CCRW Membership Form – due at each meeting at Exec. Meeting and club meeting

Membership Report (excel) – updated regularly

CCRW Cash and Check Received – Report every time money is received

CCRW Membership form and Dues Transmittal – turned in each time a TFRW member form is submitted, monthly usually.

TFRW Membership form – submitted every time there are new members, usually every month.

CCRW Check Request – submitted to CCRW treasurer when a check/money is requested.

Sign in sheets – Required for every meeting for members and guest to sign in for their attendance.



**Join us for our Unite to Win Training
in the Denton Area!**

Saturday, August 27th

Check in starts at 9:30 AM

Training from 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Denton County Elections Administration Building

701 Kimberly Dr., Denton, TX 76208

[Click here to RSVP today!](#)

Contact Deon Starnes, SREC SD 30, at 940-300-8502 with any questions!

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Caring for America	Christi Klement	940-759-2937
Historian	Tiffany Lester	940-726-6016
Hospitality	Nenia Kahl	940-641-2922
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2015 Financial Review	TBD	
2016 Nominations.		

Help Wanted:

**Don't just join:
GET INVOLVED!**

Interested in working on a CCRW project, or serving on a Committee? Put your talents to work! Call the Committee Chairman, or contact 2015-16 President Dorothy Lewis 940-665-8289, dorothy@rdl.us

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

August 2016
29 – Monday, 7pm, Eagle Club, Wolf Den Family Restaurant
ALL REPUBLICANS ARE INVITED!
Come early and have dinner before the program.
Speaker: Dustin Matocha, Executive Director of Empower Texans.

September 2016
8 – Thursday, 5pm CCRW Board Meeting
8 – Thursday, 7pm CCRW Monthly Membership Meeting
FALL KICKOFF, First Christian Church Fellowship Hall
26 – Monday, 7pm, Eagle Club, Wolf Den Family Restaurant

October 2016
6 – Thursday, 5pm CCRW Board Meeting
6 – Thursday, 7pm CCRW Monthly Membership Meeting
First Christian Church Fellowship Hall
11 – Last day to register to vote for November 8 Election
24 – First day of Early Voting
28 – Last day to submit an Application for Ballot By Mail (ABBM) to County Clerk

November 2016
3 – Thursday, 5pm CCRW Board Meeting
3 – Thursday, 7pm CCRW Monthly Membership Meeting
First Christian Church Fellowship Hall
4 – Last day of Early Voting
8 – ELECTION DAY

NOVEMBER 8, 2016 – PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

For voting information, go to www.votetexas.gov,
a website of the Texas Secretary of State

Find CCRW on the County Party website--
www.cookegop.com/ccrw.

If you want to receive the newsletter via email instead of U.S. mail, please contact Rosina Salsman at rosina@kiowaonline.net

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