



Lady Republican

THE OFFICAL NEWSLETTER OF THE
REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA

Douglas M. Ducote Sr.

Douglas M. Ducote Sr. was born in 1962 and raised in Baton Rouge, La. He is the founder and CEO of Veterans United For Justice. He started his service to America in 1975 at the age of 13 in the Louisiana Wing of the Civil Air Patrol, he served as a cadet and senior member. He joined the active duty army in 1985 and served 9 years, and then went into the National Guard. He retired in 2004 from military service. While in the military, he deployed to Operations Golden Pheasant/Joint Task Force Bravo, Desert Shield/Storm, Just Cause, Noble Eagle, Enduring Freedom, and Iraqi Freedom. During his National Guard time he worked full time in Law Enforcement with the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office in California, and served as a Training Officer (FTO). In 2006, he was inducted into the Louisiana Veterans Hall of Honor and presented with the Veterans Honor Medal by then Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal. Some of his awards include the Desert Storm Campaign Medal with 3 Bronze Service Stars from the United States, as well as the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the Iraq War Campaign Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, the Army good Conduct Medal, and the Army Aircrew Member Wings (Senior). As a Crew Chief on the Army's UH-1H Huey Helicopter and a Flight Engineer on the Army's CH-47 Chinook Helicopter he logged a total of 1,600 flight hours with 300 hours in combat. Today he resides in Lake Charles, La. with his wife Marilyn Williams-Ducote and is very active/passionate about Conservative Politics and helping America's military veterans.



Join us for Lunch
Thursday, January 24, 2019
Buffet Lunch-11:30 AM
General Meeting-12:00-1:00 PM

Reeves Uptown Catering
1639-B Ryan St. Lake Charles, LA
Guest Speaker: Douglas M. Ducote Sr.

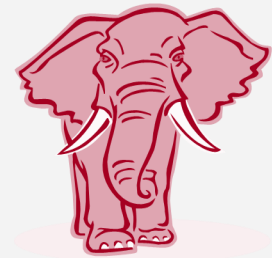
RSVP by Tuesday, January 22, 2019
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2018 Officers

•• **President** •• Sister Fontenot
•• **Treasurer** •• Ruth Giamis

•• **Vice-President** •• Emily Ashworth
•• **Secretary** •• Debbie Carlin

Announcements & Events



Tuesday, January 22, Noon
Reservation deadline for luncheon meeting

City Council Meetings
1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month - 5:30, City Council Chambers, 326 Pujó St.

Thursday, January 24, 11:30
Monthly luncheon meeting

Police Jury Meetings
1st Thursday of each month, 5:30
1015 Pithon St.

Jan 2019 Member of the Month Janice Ackley!

Besides being an amazing Republican woman, Janice Ackley has more than 25 years of advertising, marketing and healthcare management experience. Janice is currently the Region V Manager for The Louisiana Campaign for Tobacco Free Living at Louisiana Public Health Institute. She led the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana Foundation Challenge Grant that invested over \$1.5M in 25+ initiatives focused on reducing skyrocketing obesity rates in Southwest Louisiana. She also assisted in the launch of Healthier Southwest Louisiana and the Well-Ahead Louisiana programs. She served as the Regional Director for American Heart Association, Executive Director for the West Calcasieu Chamber of Commerce, and the Director of Marketing for Lake Area Medical Center, Lake Charles Memorial, and Humana Hospital—Houston.

Janice came to join the Republican Women of Southwest Louisiana from a simple invitation from long-time member, Beth Morris. "When I joined the RWSWLA, I also became a member of the National Federation of Republic Women, the largest and most influential Republican women's group in the nation," states Ackley. "I'm proud to join these other Republican women to represent the party that first made it possible for women to vote in the U.S.! Together, we have a loud impactful voice!" she continues. Ackley enjoys doing the publicity for the organization. RWSWLA is a shining star and currently the second largest organization in Louisiana and this is an exciting time as we work together to make RWSWLA the #1 club in the state by 2020.

After Ronald Reagan, Nikki Haley is definitely the most inspiring Republican figure to Janice. Nikki is a strong woman, wife, and mother and stays feminine while commanding a clear, concise voice for American leadership and values. She has a bright future and will be a key player in the future of our nation and party.

Ackley received a B.S. in Mass Communications and a Fellowship in the LSU Academy of Politics. She and her husband of 31 years, Keith, reside in Sulphur. They have two amazing sons, Kai and Keifer, and are members of First Baptist Maplewood. Janice is also an active Junior League of Lake Charles sustainer.

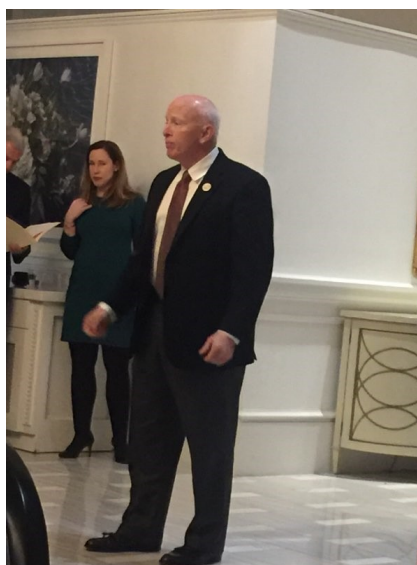
Janice is an active member and board member of the SWLA Republican Women, has served over 10 years as the Governor's Appointee on the Calcasieu Parish Board of Elections Supervisors, and is on the Republican PEC Board. She and Keith enjoy traveling, kayaking, theatre, music, and all things Saints/Pelican/Astros/McNeese/LSU.





REPUBLICAN *Women*
of Southwest Louisiana

**attended the National Federation of Republican Women's
Conference in New Orleans.**



**NFRW Region 5 Conference
January 16th & 17th, 2019**



REPUBLICAN Women

of Southwest Louisiana

The Republican Women of Southwest Louisiana was chartered in 1990 as an affiliate club of the Louisiana Federation of Republican Women (LFRW) and the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW). Our club centers around Lake Charles, Louisiana and includes cities within the parishes of Calcasieu and Cameron, although members outside this area may join. Our club belongs to Region 3 of the LFRW. Part of our membership dues are sent to the LFRW and, in turn, to the NFRW. Thus each member of our local club automatically becomes a member of the state and national clubs when we annually send in our membership rolls and dues. Our objectives are to:

- Promote an informed electorate through political education and activity.
- Increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government.
- Foster loyalty to the Republican Party and to promote its principles and ideas.
- Support Republican objectives and policies and work for the election of Republican nominees.

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Follow us on Twitter @RWofSWLA



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www.rwswla.com

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YouTube Channel : Douglas M. Ducote Sr.

Facebook page: American Patriot By The Grace Of God

Facebook page for his nonprofit organization ; Veterans United For Justice

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Republican Women of Southwest Louisiana

Membership Application / Renewal Form

YOU MUST BE A REGISTERED REPUBLICAN TO JOIN

PLEASE PRINT

Name: _____ Spouse Name: _____

Address: _____ Apt. # _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____ Parish: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____ Work phone (opt): _____

E-mail address: _____ Birthday (month/day): _____

*Permission to include your e-mail address in our club directory? **Yes** **No**

Referred by: _____ Are you a member of another LFRW club? _____

*Renewing Members: if any contact information above has changed, please mark it with *.

Committees or Interests – Check all that apply.

() Membership (recruiting, recording)

CAMPAIGN WORK:

() Fundraising and Event Planning

() Clerical

() Legislative Issues

() Voter Registration

() Information Technology (newsletter, website, Facebook)

() Door-to-door

() Community Service

() Phone Bank

() Public Relations (publicity, liaison w/media)

() Yard Signs

Please list other clubs, other interests, or comments/questions on reverse of this application.

Membership Dues: (Check one)

() **RENEWAL – \$30/yr.** (Renewal period: Oct. 1st – Dec. 31st. Renewal dues after Dec 31st - \$35)

() **NEW – \$30/yr.** (Joining Oct 1st – Dec 31st covers your membership dues for the following year)

() **ASSOCIATE – \$15/yr.** (For a male Republican **or** an active member of another LFRW club)

Make Check Payable To: RWSWLA Mail To: PO BOX 754 Lake Charles, LA 70602