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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE
REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA



Meet Brett Geymann~ Mr. Geymann is a businessman from Lake Charles, Louisiana, who is a Republican former member of the Louisiana House of Representatives for District 35 in Calcasieu and Beauregard parishes.

Strong and principled with a leading conservative voice in Louisiana politics, Brett Geymann is ready to provide the kind of leadership so desperately needed in Washington. He is committed to serving the good people and communities of Louisiana...

by representing our values in every vote...

by protecting our unique cultural and economic climate...

by restoring a limited and representative federal government...

by bringing honor and integrity back to the United States Congress.

"Although he is a good Republican, he doesn't always toe the party line. And other influences don't change his firm convictions. I have asked Geymann on occasion why he voted a certain way, and I usually get the same answer... 'I prayed about it, and believe it's the right thing to do.' How can you argue with that approach to life?"

Jim Beam Editorial

"Legislator fiscal bird dog" Lake Charles American Press

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Deadline for submissions-
2nd Thursday of the month

PLEASE JOIN US FOR LUNCH

Thursday, June 23
Buffet Lunch @ 11:30 am
Regular Meeting @ 12:00 -1:00 pm

Reeves Uptown Catering
1639-B Ryan St., Lake Charles, LA

Guest Speaker - Brett Geymann
Candidate for LA. 3rd Congressional Seat

Reservations by Tuesday, June 21
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No More Common Core

As a state representative, Brett led the fight to remove Common Core from our schools in order to secure the constitutional right of local control over our children's education. Long before Common Core was exposed as an overreach of the federal government into our schools and our homes, Brett traveled the state, talked with constituents, and shared his concerns. As a result, people listened and changed their positions, including the governor.

The Fiscal Hawk

Brett Geymann has shown a fervent commitment to protecting the hard-working Louisiana taxpayers' money. He championed the Coalition on Budget Reform and authored the "Geymann Rule,"— a signature bill that strongly limits the legislature's ability to use one-time money on recurring expenses. Soon after, Brett became known as the leader of the "Fiscal Hawks," a group of legislators working together for budget reform and responsible stewardship of the people's money. He served eight years on the Appropriations Committee as the elected member representing the 3rd Congressional District and fought against the flow of our tax dollars to the Saints franchise and voted against raising the expenditure limit.

Leading on the Issues

Brett Geymann has a proven track record of strong personal understanding of critical issues facing our country today. He authored immigration reform in 2008, long before this issue surfaced in the national spotlight. He voted to allow concealed-carry on school campuses and voted against gun control efforts by particular big-business special-interest groups. Brett is a strong proponent of term limits, at both the state and federal levels, and supports a lifetime ban on lobbying by former members of Congress. He is committed to leading by example and will self-impose both term limits and a lifetime ban on lobbying.

A Protector of The Constitution

Brett Geymann proudly supports the 2nd Amendment and all efforts to protect the sanctity of life. Given the honor of being selected the "Gentleman of the House" by his peers, Brett Geymann has earned an "A" rating from the National Rifle Association and a 100% approval rating from both Americans for Prosperity and Louisiana Right to Life. He has been honored to receive the Patrick Henry Award on numerous occasions as well as the Life and Liberty Award and a 95% lifetime rating from the Louisiana Family Forum.

Principles Above Party

In addition to his outstanding conservative record, Brett Geymann is considered a maverick, even within his own party. To call him an outsider would be disingenuous, but his principles have always overridden the status quo. There is a fundamental independence about him that has both excited and exasperated his colleagues on both sides of the aisle. Simply stated, Brett Geymann has the character of a true leader.

Home-Grown Conservative

After graduating with honors from McNeese State University with a Bachelors Degree in Finance and Government, Brett went on to grow a small business, giving him keen insight and understanding of the challenges faced by those on the forefront of America's working class.

Brett and his wife Kim have been married for thirty years and have raised three wonderful children. He also understands the challenges that all families face today and is committed to supporting the important issues that will improve their lives.

A Foundation of Faith

Over the course of his life and his career, Brett Geymann is well-known as a man grounded in principles. His Christian faith is not worn on the sleeve but is practiced with humility in all aspects of his life. His faith is the cornerstone of his character and serves as the foundation in every decision that comes his way. It is from this faith that a love of country and liberty calls him to serve, and it is through daily prayer that guidance will be sought in all decisions.

The following is a list of declared Republican candidates for
U.S. Representative, 3rd District
(*Ballotpedia, May 18, 2016*):

1. Erick Knezek
2. Greg Ellison
3. Gus Rantz
4. Grover Rees
5. Brett Geymann
6. Scott Angelle
7. Clay Higgins

There are no declared Democrat candidates.

The following is a list of declared Republican candidates for
U.S. Senate
(*LaPolitics, April 19, 2016*):

1. John Fleming
2. Charles Boustany
3. Rob Maness
4. Joseph Cao
5. John Kennedy

Democrat candidates are:

1. Caroline Fayard
2. Foster Campbell
3. Josh Pellerin
4. Peter Williams

Troy Hebert and Kenny Scelfo are running as an Independent

LFRW Spring Board Meeting 2016 Le Pavillon Hotel, New Orleans

NFRW Caring for America Chair, Lana Hafner presents LFRW VP Wanda Aizpurua, as a breast cancer survivor, with a snuggle pillow. With LFRW President, Gena Gore, and LFRW Treasurer JoAnn Parker.



Guest Speaker for Sunday luncheon, La. State Treasurer and candidate for US Senate, John Kennedy.

RWSWLa attendees, President Roby Dyer, Parliamentarian Janice Areno, Gail Kurtz, Past President Sharon Denson, Caring for America Chair Lana Hafner, Treasurer Ruth Gaimis, Past Treasurer Jonell Wilkinson



ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS



Upcoming Events

Tuesday, June 21, Noon

Reservation deadline for luncheon meeting

Thursday, June 23, 11:30 am

Monthly luncheon meeting

NO JULY RW MEETING!!

RPEC Meetings, every 3rd Thursday
5:30 pm Central Library, 2nd Floor

City Council Meetings

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

Police Jury Meetings

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

Rosie the Bus - Destination White House

Rosie is rolling across the nation on the NFRW's "Destination: White House" tour, a GOTV effort to register women voters, rally communities in swing states and put a Republican back in the White House. NFRW President, Carrie Almond announced that the bus will roll through Louisiana June 30-July 1. She will make stops in New Orleans, Baton Rouge, & Lafayette. We have requested a stop in Lake Charles as well.

Mark your calendars ladies! We can make a road trip to show our support!

Voter registration

We are currently forming a committee to register more Republicans. Registration deadline is October 11 before Presidential election day, November 8!

If you would like to help, please contact Roby Dyer.

Republicans who stay home elect Democrats!

Check us out on the web!



*Republican Women of
Southwest Louisiana*



MAY MEETING WITH LT. COL. GREG ELLISON



**Republican Women of Southwest Louisiana
Monthly meeting May 26, 2016
Reeves Uptown Catering**



The meeting was called to order by president, Roby Dyer. Laura Moody led the Pledge of Allegiance. Lana Hafner led us in prayer.

New Business:

LFWR Update - President Roby Dyer gave the update. The Spring Board meeting was held in New Orleans. We are currently the 2nd largest club in our state. Our monthly newsletter was noted as one of the best.

Scholarship Presentation - Ms. Marie Key Martin was a teacher and long-time member of RWSWL. In her memory we have established an annual \$500 scholarship fund. This year's recipient is Lindsey Thompson. Lindsey attended, with her parents, to accept her scholarship check. Tina Mosca informed the club that the decision on the scholarship recipient was difficult due to having four outstanding applications.

Cory Prince, an elected 3rd Congressional District caucus delegate, introduced himself. He is the only caucus delegate from Lake Charles. The cost of his trip will be \$5,000. He will have a fundraiser to help with the cost. He asks for any support or contributions from our members.

Guest Speaker - Lt. Col. Greg Ellison, Candidate for 3rd congressional seat.

Lt. Col. Greg Ellison was raised in Southwest La and graduated in Lafayette. He volunteered to join the Army. He believes that he can make the tough decisions that come with the job. Our national debt is out of control. We need to secure and protect the borders. We need to save the lives of the unborn. The keys to repairing our country are simple: The Constitution - The natural resources of our state - The people of South Louisiana.

He asked for our support and vote because he has grit to restore the military and protect the Constitution. Lt. Col. Greg Ellison opened the floor to questions and closed.

Lt. Col. Greg Ellison was presented with a plaque from the Club stating that pillows were sent to the troops in his honor this month.

Announcements:

Our troops usually request approximately 50 pillows per month. Now we are being asked for 200-300 per month. We will now ship from the manufacturer.

Door prizes were drawn. Thanks to donors this month - Kathy Sonnier, Ruth Giaimis, Rosemary Smith, Gayle Kurtz.

Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Jacinda Vincent

Be Passionate * Be Committed

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. Thanks!

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership (recruiting, recording) | CAMPAIGN WORK: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising and Event Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Clerical |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Legislative Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Voter Registration |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Information Technology (newsletter, website, Facebook) | <input type="checkbox"/> Door-to-door |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Phone Bank |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations (publicity, liaison w/media) | <input type="checkbox"/> Yard Signs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Archiving, Photography, Scrapbooking | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer at Campaign HQ |

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.)

Paid by: cash (\$_____) **OR** check (\$_____ check # _____)

Make Check Payable To: RWSWL Mail To: P.O. Box 754 Lake Charles, LA 70602

SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____