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REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA



About Treasurer Kennedy~

John Kennedy was elected without opposition to his 4th term as State Treasurer in 2011. As Treasurer, he oversees the state's \$10.6 billion investment portfolios. He also oversees local and state bond issues and returns millions of dollars in unclaimed property each year.

Prior to his position as Treasurer, Mr. Kennedy served as Secretary of the Department of Revenue, Special Counsel to Governor Roemer and Secretary of Governor Roemer's Cabinet. He was also an attorney and partner in the Baton Rouge and New Orleans law firm of Chaffe McCall.

Mr. Kennedy graduated magna cum laude in political science, philosophy and economics from Vanderbilt, was president of his senior class, and elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He received his law degree from the University of Virginia and his B.C.L. degree from Oxford University in England where he was a First Class Honors graduate.

Mr. Kennedy is an adjunct professor at LSU Law School and is a volunteer substitute teacher for public schools across Louisiana. He resides in Madisonville, Louisiana, with his wife Becky and their son, Preston. They are founding members of the North Cross United Methodist Church.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR LUNCH

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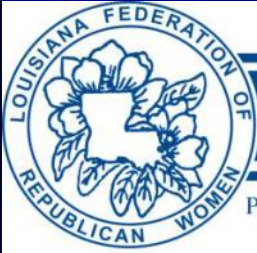
Deadline for submissions-
2nd Thursday of the month

Thursday, March 26
Buffet Lunch @ 11:30 am
Regular Meeting @ 12:00 -1:00 pm

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

Guest Speaker - Treasurer John Kennedy

Reservations by Tuesday March 24
contact Sharon 842-1986 or
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2013 LFRW SPRING BOARD MEETING

OFFICIAL CALL

ISSUED February 10, 2015

LOUISIANA FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN
31ST BIENNIAL CONVENTION

The 31st Biennial Convention of the Louisiana Federation of Republican Women will be March 27-29 at the Best Western Inn & Suites located at 2720 N. MacArthur Drive, Alexandria, Louisiana. The purpose of this call includes the election of the LFRW Executive Committee for the 2015-2017 term of office and the transaction of other business that may properly come before the Convention. The State Awards Luncheon will be on Saturday and the Magnolia Event will take place Saturday afternoon at the home of State Representative and Mrs. Lance Harris. The members of Region 4 will host the weekend event.

June S. Williams, LFRW President

If you would like to attend, print the registration form you received by email or contact Roby Dyer, robbydyer@yahoo.com

Magnolia Club

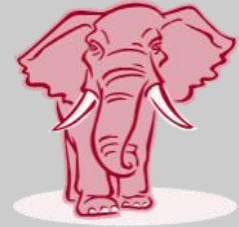
The Magnolia Club is a group of LFRW patrons who provides funds to support a wide range of political and organizational programs which ensure that all of the endeavors of the Louisiana Federation of Republican Women are properly funded.

Membership is open to anyone interested in supporting LFRW. Federation members contribute \$100 annually - January through December. The Magnolia Club Level annual donations are based on club membership size. Cost is \$100.00 per member or per Club. Magnolia Club patrons include LFRW members, Republican elected officials, and business, educational and civic leaders, regardless of gender or Party affiliation.

Magnolia Club Members are honored with a reception at LFRW Biennials and may have special seating at some events.

For more information, please e-mail magnoliacub@lfrw.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS



Upcoming Events

Tuesday, March 24, Noon
Reservation deadline for luncheon meeting

Thursday, March 26, 11:30 am
Monthly luncheon meeting

Tuesday April 7, 6:00 pm
Prepare packages for the Troops
Faith Temple, 1200 Patton St., Sulphur

LFRW Spring Board Meeting, March 27-29
Best Western Hotel, Alexandria, LA

Upcoming Speakers

April 30 (5th Thursday) -
Lt. Governor Jay Dardenne

May 21 (3rd Thursday) -
Billy Nungessor, Candidate for Lt. Governor

June 25 -
John Young, Candidate for Lt. Governor

Check us out on the web!

www.rswla.com



*Republican Women of
Southwest Louisiana*





Scholarship Application

The application form was emailed to members this week. Please check your inbox and forward to all eligible candidates. The deadline to receive the application is April 13. The recipient will be selected and announced in May.

Everyone loves a fishing trip & new tackle.
Don't forget to get your raffle tickets!

We need to sell them all to meet our commitment to Pillows for Troops and the Scholarship fund!

Contact Roby Dyer, 540-0501, when you need more.

All proceeds to Benefit
Pillows for Troops and Scholarship Fund

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

\$5 EACH OR 5 FOR \$20

1ST PRIZE:

Big Lake Guided Fishing Trip for 3.
Good for 1 year by Garcia Guide Service

2ND PRIZE:

Lew's Reel TS1SH Bait Cast Reel/
Crucial Shimano Rod
\$350 Value from Cajun Tackle

Drawing May 21, 2015



\$5 EACH OR 5 FOR \$20 *Offered by Republican Women of SWLA*

February meeting



Republican Women of SWLA
Reeves Uptown Catering
February 26, 2015



The meeting was called to order by president, Roby Dyer. Janice Areno led us in prayer. Jackie Hebert led the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Business-

Welcome Special Guests: Peggy Buckels, Region 3 VP, Wanda Aizpurua, slated for LFRW Ex. VP, Heidi Martin, slated for LFRW Recording Sec.

Raffle tickets: Our raffle for this year was discussed. Members will pick them up to sell at a later time. Lana Hafner gave an update on "Pillows for Troops".

Guest Speaker - Senator Ronnie Johns began by thanking Dr. Kurth & PEC as well as the Republican Women for the Presidents' Dinner. He thought it was a wonderful event. This session will be a challenge to close our massive \$1.6 billion dollar deficit. He wishes that Washington would adopt the requirement of a balanced budget. He explained that this deficit has occurred. Some of the budget was based on a projection of revenue and one time money. The money was there but those funds are no longer available. Also, the price of oil has dropped and projections were higher than actual cost and revenue. So, they have to balance the budget. How can it be done? There will be no new taxes. There can be an increase in the cigarette tax which is lower than our adjoining states. During this session, there needs to be a hard look at tax credits, rebates and exemptions. \$6.8 billion dollars of legal taxes are exempted each year. The movie tax credit gives away \$300 million each year. Solar tax credit and industrial tax credit are two other high credits each year. Higher Education will be a priority this session, as it has really been hit hard in revenue. At one time, funding for McNeese was at \$42 million a year and now it is at \$17 million. Senator Johns will NOT support a vote that will cut Higher Education. Common Core will be a huge issue in the next session as well. Schools are concerned about requirements and testing but more than anything, they do not want to have to start ALL over again with the next idea.

Senator Johns opened the floor to questions and closed.

President, Roby Dyer gave Senator Johns a plaque to show that pillows were donated to our troops in his honor. Door prizes were given. Meeting was adjourned.

Recording Secretary 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** _____