

KCRW

newsletter

Note from the President

Dear fellow members,

Even though the April elections are behind us, I would like to share an article by Marian Stanko that was written in 2010 and addresses voter apathy. It was disappointing to see such a low local turnout at the polls and we certainly want to see voters out in numbers next year! Please read 'why your vote matters' at the end of this message. Our right to vote is a truly a privilege and a duty, not shared by some countries. Be sure your voice is heard and **encourage others** to do the same.

DOES MY VOTE MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE?

Presented by Marian K. Stanko

THIS IS A COMMON QUESTION – AND THE ANSWER IS YES, OF COURSE YOUR VOTE MATTERS!

HERE ARE SOME IMPORTANT EXAMPLES:

- IN 2002, DAN SPARKS WAS ELECTED TO THE MINNESOTA SENATE BY FIVE VOTES AND MIKE MCGINN WAS ELECTED TO THE STATE SENATE BY 35 VOTES.
- IN 1999, LESLIE BYRNE WAS ELECTED TO THE VIRGINIA SENATE BY 37 VOTES – LESS THAN ONE VOTE PER PRECINCT.
- IN 1994, DISTRICT JUDGE JANET LITTLEJOHN WAS ELECTED BY 122 VOTES – A MARGIN OF LESS THAN ¼ OF A VOTE PER PRECINCT IN BEXAR COUNTY.
- ALSO IN 1994, THE GOP GAINED CONTROL OF BEXAR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT WHEN MIKE NOVAK WAS ELECTED BY 603 VOTES – A MERE 4 VOTES PER PRECINCT.
- JOHN F. KENNEDY'S MARGIN OF VICTORY OVER RICHARD NIXON IN THE 1960 PRESIDENTIAL RACE WAS LESS THAN ONE VOTE PER PRECINCT.
- ONE VOTE PER PRECINCT PROVIDED THE MARGIN OF VICTORY THAT GAVE WOMEN THE RIGHT TO VOTE IN CALIFORNIA IN 1911.

DID YOU KNOW...?

- THAT SEVERAL STATES, INCLUDING CALIFORNIA, IDAHO, OREGON, TEXAS AND WASHINGTON, BECAME STATES BY JUST **ONE** VOTE?
- THAT IN 1948, LYNDON B. JOHNSON, OUR 36TH PRESIDENT, BECAME A U.S. SENATOR BY A ONE VOTE MARGIN?
- AND THAT SAME YEAR, IF THOMAS E. DEWEY HAD GOTTEN **ONE** VOTE MORE PER PRECINCT IN OHIO AND CALIFORNIA, THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION WOULD HAVE BEEN THROWN TO THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, WHERE DEWEY ENJOYED MORE SUPPORT THAN HIS RIVAL – INCUMBENT HARRY S. TRUMAN? IN FACT, DEWEY WAS EXPECTED TO WIN THE GENERAL ELECTION BY A LANDSLIDE, SO MOST REPUBLICANS STAYED HOME. ONLY 51.5% OF THE ELECTORATE VOTED IN 1948, AND TRUMAN DEFECTED DEWEY. SOUND FAMILIAR?

UPDATES

DOES MY VOTE MAKE A DIFFERENCECONTINUED

NOT CONVINCED?

- IN THE 1960 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION, ONE ADDITIONAL VOTE PER PRECINCT IN ILLINOIS, MISSOURI, NEW JERSEY AND TEXAS WOULD HAVE DENIED JOHN F. KENNEDY THE PRESIDENCY AND PUT RICHARD M. NIXON IN OFFICE EIGHT YEARS EARLIER.
- IN RECENT YEARS, THE OUTCOMES OF MANY STATE AND CONGRESSIONAL RACES HAVE BEEN REVERSED AS RECOUNTS HAVE SHIFTED A HANDFUL OF VOTES FROM ONE CANDIDATE TO ANOTHER.
- EACH AND EVERY VOTE IS THE VOICE OF A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. ONE VOICE SPEAKING OUT CAN CHANGE THE COURSE OF HISTORY.

THERE IS STILL TIME TO REGISTER LIKE-MINDED VOTERS. YOUR VOTE AND THEIR VOTE CAN AND WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE! INSURE YOUR FUTURE: VOTE

SPEAKING OF VOTING, OUR **GO RED GALA** IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER! ENJOY A SPECIAL EVENING OF COMRADERIE WITH AREA REPUBLICANS ON AUGUST 27TH AT THE FAIR OAKS COUNTRY CLUB AND MEET THE U.S. SENATE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES WHO WANT YOUR VOTE. ENJOY REFRESHMENTS ALONG WITH LIVE AND SILENT AUCTIONS. WE WILL PREVIEW SOME AUCTION ITEMS ON WWW.TEXASBID.COM. TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FROM BENNYE WASKOM (830-537-5811). DON'T MISS OUT ON THE FUN!

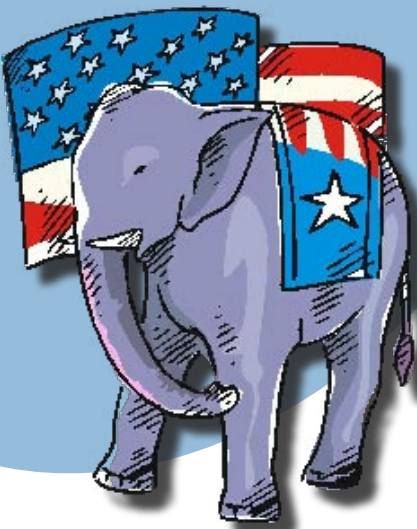
THE FOURTH OF JULY PARADE IN COMFORT BROUGHT OUT A RECORD NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS TO HELP DISTRIBUTE FLAGS TO THE CHILDREN ALONG THE PARADE ROUTE. THE HOT WEATHER DID NOT DETER OUR VOLUNTEERS FROM PASSING OUT FLAGS TO EAGER YOUNG PATRIOTS WHO WAVED THEM PROUDLY FOR THE DURATION OF THE PARADE. I CAN'T REMEMBER SEEING THAT MANY VOLUNTEERS AT ONE OF OUR PARADES AND IT WAS A SIGHT TO SEE SO MANY IN THEIR PATRIOTIC ATTIRE SUPPORTING THE EVENT. IF YOU MISSED OUT, PLEASE JOIN US AT THE KENDALL COUNTY FAIR PARADE, LABOR DAY WEEKEND. WEAR SUNSCREEN AND YOUR 'RED'!!!!

THERE ARE DELEGATE POSITIONS AVAILABLE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND THE TEXAS FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN CONVENTION, NOVEMBER 17TH-20TH IN FT. WORTH, TX. KCRW MUST VOTE FOR ANY FINAL DELEGATES AT THE SEPTEMBER 13TH MEETING SINCE THE DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 15TH SO PLEASE EMAIL ME (FRANGRAVES1@GMAIL.COM) OR CALL ME AT 830-230-5220 IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND. EARLY REGISTRATION FOR THE CONVENTION WILL BE \$165 PER PERSON THROUGH SEPTEMBER 15TH. AFTER THAT DATE, THE REGULAR REGISTRATION RATE WILL INCREASE TO \$190 THROUGH OCTOBER 18. HOTEL RESERVATIONS MAY BE MADE BY CONTACTING THE FORT WORTH OMNI HOTEL AT 800-843-6664. THE ROOM RATE WILL BE \$159. PER NIGHT.

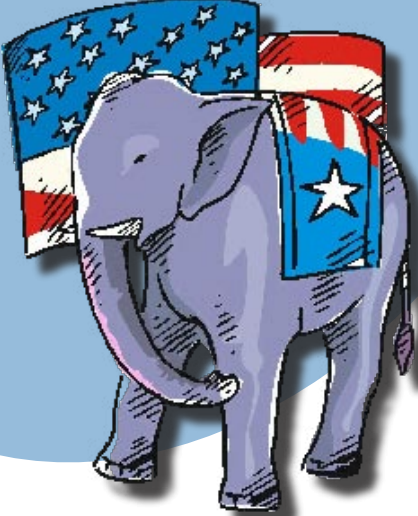
DON'T FORGET THAT OUR MEMBERSHIP IS WELCOME TO JOIN IN THE MONTHLY TFRW CONFERENCE CALLS. THE NEXT SERIES OF CALLS ARE AUGUST 8 @ 7:00 PM, AUGUST 9 @ 8:30 AM AND AUGUST 10 @ 8:30 AM. THE TOPIC WILL BE "10 OUTSTANDING" AWARDS/TFRW CONVENTION REGISTRATION/CAMPAIGN MANAGEMENT SCHOOLS. PLEASE CONTACT ME FOR THE CORRECT DIAL-IN NUMBER AND ACCESS CODE IF YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE. THEY ARE ALWAYS INTERESTING!

STAY COOL... AND STAY INFORMED BY CHECKING OUR WEBSITE AND LINKS: WWW.KCRWTX.COM

FRAN GRAVES



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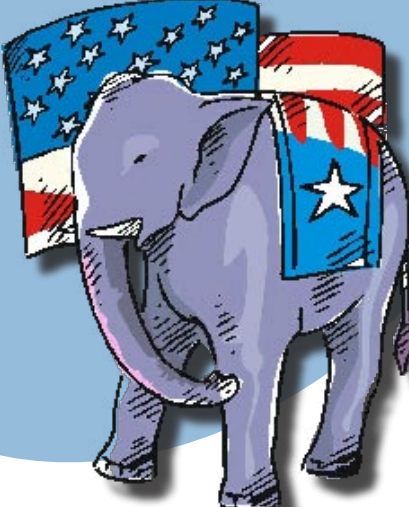
REPUBLICAN FLOAT

Fourth of July Parade

Comfort, Texas



UPDATES



Upcoming Events:

August 4-5, 2011

TFRW Executive Committee
& Board of Directors Meeting
Austin, TX

August 27, 2011

Go Red Gala
Fair Oaks Ranch, TX

Sept. 29 - Oct. 2, 2011

36th Biennial NFRW Convention
Kansas City, MO

November 16-20, 2011

TFRW Convention
Fort Worth, TX

KCRW - 2011 Officers

President	Fran Graves	830-230-5220
Vice President	Jana Rogers	830-537-4322
Secretary	Susan Dietzmann	210-488-4851
PAC Treasurer	Sheryl D'Spain	830-249-9124

CAMPAIGN MANAGEMENT SCHOOLS FOR 2011

JEANETTE L. STERNER

TFRW Vice President of Campaign Activities

The TFRW Campaign Activities Committee has been working on planning Campaign Management Schools (CMS). Because of the size of Texas and time constraints, most schools will be a combined county effort. Below is a list of the requests to have a school I have received so far. The fees will be \$60. TFRW will retain \$30 for the CMS Handbook and the local club retains \$30 for their expenses, such as rental fees, cost for lunch, admin supplies, etc. Generally, the event will be from 8:30 until 3:30. Individual announcements will be provided for each event. These announcements will give specific information pertinent for that location, such as hotel information for those needing accommodations.

I am asking the leadership of the various Republican Women's clubs and Senate Districts to include County Chairs, precinct chairs and TFRW membership to become actively involved in the process. If you plan on attending the CMS closest to your area, please contact the "Contact Person" and me. It is important that we know how many attendees will be coming because of space constraints, CMS Handbooks and lunch requirements. Below are the dates for the Campaign Management Schools:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>CONTACT PERSON</u>
August 6, Saturday	Travis Co - Austin	Michele Samuelson / michele.samuelson@gmail.com / 214-995-0413
August 20, Saturday	Grayson Co - Sherman	Connie Huntington / chuntington@cableone.net / 903-487-2287
August 27, Saturday	Montgomery Co - Woodlands	Suzanne Adams / scq.adams@comcast.net / 281-298-6873
September 10, Saturday	McLennan Co - Waco	Donna Mick / dnn_mick@yahoo.com / 254-498-2253
November 17, Thursday	Tarrant Co - Fort Worth	Judge Bonnie Sudderth / JudgeBonnieSudderth@prodigy.net 817-229-7428

"Ok Girls, Let's Go Save the Country!" (G.Pharo) - Jeanette L. Sterner / jeanettehr@flash.net / 903-769-0962

VOLUNTEER HOURS

Don't forget
to pick up an
Individual Report Form
and turn in your
Volunteer Hours

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