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Newsletter— Fall 2021

A Message from our President, Patty Castillo

Winding down...and Winding Up!

It's hard to believe it's already November! We are winding down 2021 with all its challenges, but with strengthened resolve that we need to continue to fight for our FREEDOMS!

The third quarter of this year brought us some important victories in the Texas Legislature. During the Second Special Session, our grass-roots activism brought us critical wins with Election Integrity, the Heartbeat Bill, Constitutional Carry, Religious Freedom, and Pro-Civics and Anti-Critical Race Theory in Education. Great job, MCRW Activists! In the Third Special Session, our legislators focused on redistricting. The maps have been drawn and Texas has acquired 2 new US House seats and we are poised to take back the House!

And now we begin the windup ...

MCRW hosted the first Voter Registration drive a few weeks ago in preparation for the November 2021 and the 2022 elections. The November 2 election will be held for several local races, but we will also vote on 8 proposed Texas Constitutional Amendments. I hope you've seen our MCRW emails for analysis on what you need to know to cast your ballot.

Then, ladies and gentlemen, get ready to give it your all in 2022. If the first eight months of the Democratic, Socialist agenda has you saying, "I've had enough!" then spread the word about the work that MCRW does. We need to recruit our neighbors and friends to join us as we fight to TAKE BACK THE HOUSE IN 2022!

I am inspired by your dedication and work, and it makes my job as your President so rewarding. Thank you for allowing me to lead you. It is a privilege and an honor that I take very seriously. Our future depends on US!

NOTE: Due to some scheduling conflicts, our newsletter is going out a little later than we had hoped and you may find some information is not current. Please know that all of those who work on it are volunteers and sometimes life gets in the way of our good intentions!



Republicans Believe In ...

- The U.S. Constitution
- Pro-Life/Family Values
- Right to Bear Arms
- Strong National Defense
- Smaller Government
- Balanced Budget/
Cutting Spending
- Free Market System
- Decrease in Regulation
- Balance of Power
- Personal Responsibility
- Quality & Choice in Education
- Opportunity for All
- Freedom



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Quarter Notes

In August, MCRW elected Delegates to the Texas Federation of Republican Women Biennial Convention, which will convene on October 14 at the Kalahari Resort and Water Park in Round Rock, Texas.

Among the many sessions, workshops, and luncheons will be the Awards luncheon on Friday, October 15. The Awards Committee submitted several award nominations, and we are so eager to learn the results of that effort. We will have a recap of the convention, including Awards winners, at the MCRW general meeting on November 9. Mark your calendars. You will not want to miss this meeting!

In 2020, Waco's annual Veteran's Day Parade was cancelled due to Covid. This year, it is back! The parade will be held on Thursday, November 11, at 11:00 A.M. The route will travel along Austin Ave from 12th street to 3rd street. Volunteers are needed to either walk or ride in the parade and to assist in pre-parade organizing and logistics. If you wish to participate, please notify Kathy Endres via text message (254-230-6891) or email (kdepol18@gmail.com) (The email can look confusing: after the o is an L, then a one before the 8) Thank you for volunteering.

Campaign Activities, Angelika Hoeher

As we prepare for the next election season, MCRW, in conjunction with the McLennan County Republican Party, offered a Voter Registration Drive on Tuesday, September 28 at Republican Party Headquarters. Our event coincided with National Voter Registration Day. Volunteers staffed the Republican headquarters office from 10:00 to 3:00. We met a steady stream of interested Republicans, some of whom were new to the area, and some who had recently moved within the county and wanted to check their registration status. Others simply wanted to check in and let the office know that they were available to volunteer. Several lively discussions were held about the state of politics in our country and our hopes for future elections.

At the end of the event, it was decided that we would offer another Voter Registration Drive approximately 60 days prior to the Primary, once the Primary date is determined.



MCRW members Patty O'Day, Dana Bartels, Patty Castillo and Debbie Wolgemuth

Caring for America, Connie Stamps

Caring for America donations have been greatly appreciated by Friends for Life and the Blessing Bag Ministry during this quarter. So many lives are touched by the generous donations of our club members, and it is a great way to show others that politically active Conservatives are concerned about those who are in need in our community. Thank you for actively supporting this endeavor. Your time and thoughtful donations really make a difference!

THANK YOU!



1. Election Integrity
2. Abolition of Abortion
3. Religious Freedom
4. School Choice for ALL
5. Constitutional Carry

Research and Legislature, Anne Grinols

As of this writing, the Legislature Special Session #3 is underway. The major focus is Redistricting, but we are also watching (and calling and writing!) to see that our other Legislative Priorities are finally passed. These include protecting girls' sports, restoring felony penalties for intentional election crime, protecting religious freedom by banning ALL vaccine mandates, and true forensic audits. This is also our last chance to ban gender modification.



If these issues concern you, make a call to Gov. Abbott (512-463-1782) and Speaker Phelen (512-463-1000) to let them know. Encourage Doc Anderson and Brian Birdwell to be proactive in representing us. Your voice matters!



MCRW General Meeting
November 9 @ 11:30 @ Baylor Club

Guest Speaker

Christi Craddick

Texas Railroad Commissioner

"How the Texas RR Commission promotes our Oil and Gas Industries"

Red Readers, Sara Jones

Red Readers Book Club challenges you to read with a purpose. What is that purpose? Our hope is that you, and the friends with whom you share, will learn conservative principles, new opinions, and ways to be challenged in critical thinking.

Each book we read has a different message, but all agree on the greatness of America and the battle for our freedom.

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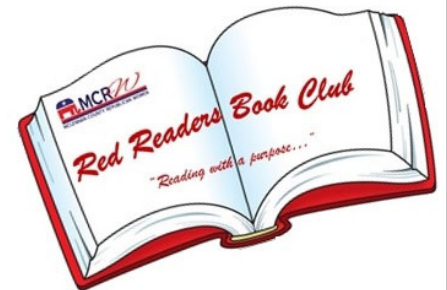
A big Texas shout out to all our new members! This month, I am answering some of the questions asked about our book club, Red Readers.

When did Red Readers begin?

Past President Devvie Duke suggested it to me and in January 2019, we read our first book, which was Contempt by Ken Starr. It has remained one of our favorite books.

What is our motto?

Our motto is “reading with a purpose.” Educating ourselves about current events, history, and political points of view is very important, especially in these times.



Who can attend?

All members are welcome! Also, you can bring a one-time nonmember guest.

Do you have to read the book?

While it certainly helps to have read the book, it is not necessary. Our discussions are VERY lively and full of facts and learning points.

What are some of the advantages of attending?

Listening to all these smart ladies is a huge bonus. Also, since we average about 20 people at each meeting, it is an excellent opportunity to get to know one another.

What are some of the favorite books?

Both of Bill O'Reilly's books always make the list. We have read Killing England and Killing Lincoln. Other favorites include 1984 by George Orwell, Blackout by Candace Owen, Faucian Bargain by Steve Deace, Speaking for Myself by Sarah Huckabee Sanders, and Justice on Trial by Mollie Hemingway.

My favorite is We Will Not Be Silenced by Dr. Erwin W. Lutzer.

What's coming up next?

Our next meeting is October 28th at Our Breakfast Place. The book for October is American Marxism by Mark Levin. November's selection is The Long Slide by Tucker Carlson.

We don't meet in December but put Kayleigh McEnany's book, For Such a Time as This, on your Christmas list! We will be reading it in January.



Your MCRW Board meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m. at the Waco Central Library.



MEMBERSHIP

Chair, Cheryl Lenamon



THANK YOU, AMAZING MEMBERS!

FOR ANSWERING THE CALL . . .

I asked for volunteers to be Table Hostesses, and so many of you volunteered. I asked for help at the Membership Table, and every month volunteers show up. It takes a lot of people to make our meetings run smoothly, and you have really stepped up to the plate. Thanks! You are the best!!!

AND FOR BRINGING IN NEW MEMBERS . . .

At the beginning of October, we had 272 members and 74 associate members. Thanks so much for reaching out to your family and friends! In November, we will be signing up new 2022 members and renewing memberships for next year. Be thinking of who we need onboard. 2022 is going to be a full year of campaign activities, and we will need many active members to help us stand up for our conservative values.

YOU'VE BEEN A MEMBER FOR A WHILE, AND YOU WANT TO GET MORE INVOLVED . . .

There are so many opportunities! Contact me at 254-717-5926 or MCRWmembers@gmail.com. Let's chat and find the best fit for you!

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION—MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Wednesday, October 27 at 5:30 PM for Wine and Cheese Thursday, October 28 at 10:00 AM for Coffee & Treats.

It is really a fun time getting to know other MCRW members and the board. If you are a new member since June, you will receive an email invitation. If you are a member and have never been to an orientation, please contact me: MCRWmembers@gmail.com, and I will send you an invite.



(Don't eat before you come!)

Member Relations, Ellie Cates

New & Improved Check-In at Meetings

Wow! Our numbers are growing, and our meeting attendance is soaring. To accommodate larger crowds, we have improved our check-in method. If you attended the June meeting, you saw that we divided our check-in lines alphabetically: A-L check-in on the left and M-Z on the right as you entered the room. We only ask that you try not to hold up the lines by visiting around the check-in table. Our goal is to get you in quickly so you can find a seat and go to the buffet.

We Need Volunteers! Here are ways you can help:

Call members prior to the meeting

Greet members & guests at the meeting

Work at the check-in or membership tables

Serve as table hostess

Contact Ellie Cates if you would like to volunteer: elliecates302@gmail.com

Call for DELEGATES coming soon!



Texas Federation of Republican Women
33rd Biennial Convention
October 13-16, 2021
Kalahari Resort
Round Rock, Texas

Registration and Information go to:
TFRW.org/events/convention

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