



MCRW
MCLENNAN COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!
WE ARE GLAD YOU HAVE JOINED US.





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Dear New Member,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the McLennan County Republican Women PAC (MCRW), I welcome you to an organization that has a rich history of fostering women leaders and promoting the Republican Party! We are sure that you will feel the sense of pride we share in belonging to our growing organization. We hope that you will take advantage of the many benefits that come with membership and that you will be able to use the MCRW organization as a forum for the exchange of innovative ideas, a resource for current developments in politics at the local, state, and federal level and as a platform to get involved in furthering our conservative moral, economic and political values that define us as a party, as Texans and as proud Americans.

On the following pages is our MCRW New Member Booklet, which has valuable information about our organization. In it you will be able to get to know MCRW, find information about how you can get involved, learn how to gain access to our website and there find a copy of our organizational bylaws. You'll also find information on the Texas Federation of Republican Women and the National Federation of Republican Women. As a member of MCRW, you are now also a member of both of these organizations.

Our General Membership Luncheon Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 11:30 a.m. at the Baylor Club in McLane Stadium. We hope you will be able to attend and learn how you can become an integral part in making a difference not only in our local community, but at the State and Federal levels as well. We have many other activities and opportunities beyond the General Meetings for you to get involved in, so check your email and our website to find out!

The United States is the yardstick of freedom by which all other countries are measured. Good government doesn't just happen by accident; good government happens because good people work to make it happen. Thanks for joining the good fight!

Sincerely,

Patty

Patty Castillo
President, McLennan County Republican Women
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Getting to Know MCRW

Welcome to McLennan County Republican Women (MCRW), founded in 1955. We encourage our members to become informed about issues and candidates through their participation in General Meetings, listening to informative speakers, attending conferences and conventions, working on campaigns, participating in community outreach and undertaking personal research. Cultivating informed, persuasive Republican Women is our primary focus and a formative weapon to electing Republicans to serve our city, county, state, and country!



To support and elect Republican candidates, preserve conservative values, educate and empower women to become a force for better government.

General Meetings

General Membership Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Baylor Club, in McLane Stadium. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. and the meeting begins promptly at 12:00 p.m. Prepaid reservations are required and can be made online at www.MCRWPAC.com. Reservations must be received by noon on the Friday before the meeting.

3-in-1 Membership

By becoming a member of MCRW, you automatically became a member of the Texas Federation of Republican Women (TFRW) and the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW).

Republican Women - Federation Structure

The Federation of Republican Women has both a national and state structure. Founded in 1938, the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW) is one of the largest grass roots political organizations in the country with thousands of active members in local clubs across the nation. MCRW is one of these local clubs. NFRW empowers women, from all backgrounds, in the political process and provides a forum for women to serve as leaders in the political, governmental, and civic arenas. The objectives of the NFRW are to:

- inform the public through political and legislative education, training and activity
- recruit, train and elect Republican candidates
- protect the integrity of our electoral process
- promote the principles, objectives and policies of the Republican Party
- unite and facilitate cooperation among the state and club organizations
- increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government

Getting to Know MCRW

State Federations are chartered under the auspices of NFRW. **The Texas Federation of Republican Women (TFRW)** provides the avenue for women to influence policy, develop candidates, and elect the leaders of Texas. It is a multi-generational, multicultural organization that provides the structure and support for political activists to learn, engage and flourish.

Both NFRW and TFRW provide opportunities for members to attend meetings, conventions, and seminars to further knowledge of our efforts and to connect and network with like-minded women. Some of the meetings are:

- NFRW National Convention
- TFRW State Convention
- TFRW Legislative Day at the Capitol in Austin
- TFRW Leadership Day
- Campaign Management School
- TFRW Tribute to Women Banquet

Once you are a member, you will receive information through emails, calls and texts on dates and content of the meetings. It is never too soon to participate in one of these meetings. You will be glad you did.

Communications

MCRW continually strives to make sure that our members are informed about:

- Legislative issues – local, state, and national
- How to make your voice heard
- How to elect Republican candidates
- Our monthly meetings and enlightening speakers
- Club and community projects
- Fundraising activities and special events

How do you stay informed?

First, make sure that you are getting our emails. As a new member, we have subscribed you to our email list. However, you must reply to the confirmation email that we send you. If you are not getting emails from us, please check your spam and promotions folders, then contact our Membership Chair at Loriwhitsmcrw@gmail.com

With the email you provided, you will automatically be enrolled in the TFRW and NFRW email lists. Names are submitted quarterly, so depending on when you join, it may take some time for you to start receiving these emails.

Getting to Know MCRW

Next, go to our website, www.MCRWpac.com, where you'll find more information about our club, our events, ways to take action, member tools, resources and so much more! You can also renew your membership on our website.

Next, attend our monthly General Meetings. In addition to hearing from great speakers, you will find out about MCRW projects and events, and you will be able to get involved in the activities that most interest you.

More information can be found in the "How do I get more information?" section of this booklet:

Social Media

MCRW is active on Facebook. Look for our posts and invite your friends to "Like" our page.

Newsletters

As a member, you will receive a bi-monthly newsletter from MCRW. In it, you will find member pictures, feature articles, and coming attractions. This newsletter will be emailed to you at the beginning of the publishing month. If you don't see it in your inbox, please check your Spam and Promotion Folders in your email.

In addition, you will receive the monthly TFRW Newsletter, as well as periodic and special email messages from the NFRW. Be sure to read them as they contain valuable and current information on pending legislation, candidates, voter registration, and projects in which we, as Republican women, are involved. Many of these communications are time-sensitive and require a prompt response.

Bylaws

The MCRW club Bylaws are the guidebook for our operations. The Bylaws outline our objectives, policies, membership requirements, board structure, meeting and election guidelines, and other organizational procedures. Our Bylaws are posted on our website: <https://www.mcrwpac.com/members/>

Board of Directors

For more information on the MCRW Board of Directors and a list of current Board Members, please see the section of this booklet titled "Get to know the Board." Board members are always willing to answer any questions you may have regarding the organization or ways to get involved!

How Do I Get Involved?

The BEST way to get to know people in MCRW is to volunteer for one of the many activities we are involved in! We encourage the involvement of our members in elections, campaigns, furthering legislation, community and veterans support and fundraising.

There are many ways to get involved:

- You can sign up for specific activities at the monthly Meetings.
- You can contact a member of the Board of Directors or one of the Committee Chairwomen if you see an area of particular interest to you – just email or phone them. They will be happy to have an enthusiastic new member helping them! Please see the Board roster, included in this packet, for contact information.
- You can fill out the “YES! I want to get involved” form in your New Member Packet and turn it in to ANY Board member, or to the Membership Chair.

Remember – YOU decide how much time you want to devote to each activity. You may want to help with one or several activities throughout the year or you may just be available for a certain period of time, or for a specific event – you are WANTED in any capacity you choose!

And don't forget, if there is a time when your daily life does not leave time to participate in our activities, you can stay informed through the communications we offer. Your membership dues also help to further our programs, so please stay with us!

Political Activities

Once you become involved in MCRW, you will have the ability to help our club work to be recognized for the time you contribute and possibly help us earn an award. The Political Activities program honors local clubs and State Federations that spend time volunteering for our Republican Party, our Republican candidates, our Federation of Republican Women and our community.

Please see the Instructions for **Recording Your Hours** included in this booklet.

Get Involved by Joining a Committee

POLITICAL ACTION



In an election year, our primary focus is to elect Republican Candidates by contacting voters. During state convention years, we participate in Precinct, County and State Republican Conventions. Every year, we train and facilitate voter registration and help increase and track Political Action Hours for the club.

LEGISLATION



The Texas Legislature meets every other year. During this time, MCRW prioritizes 5 areas of focus (Legislative Priorities), and we lobby our legislators to write and support bills to advance our conservative goals in the legislature, all the way to the Governor's signature and implementation.

MEMBER RELATIONS



Accommodate guests at luncheons and special events. Call and text members for meetings and MCRW events. Serve as a Table Hostess.

COMMUNICATIONS



Help with graphics, social media, email, website, newsletters, photography and Public Relations



We actively participate in community charities by donating supplies and volunteering for a non-profit chosen yearly by MCRW.

How Do I Get Involved?

See a committee you would like to join? Contact the committee chair and let them know you are ready to work:

POLITICAL ACTION



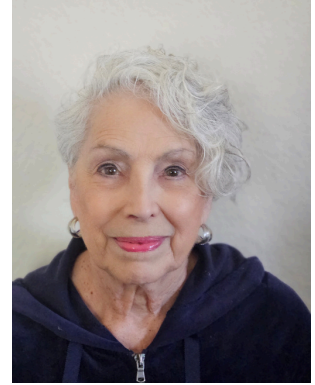
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Do you have a special skill? We are looking for people who know Excel and have computer skills, graphic design and/or photography expertise, financial experience or those who like planning events.

Other Ways to Get Involved: Invite Your Friends to a Meeting!

Get to Know the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of MCRW is composed of the Officers and the Executive Board. The Board meets once a month on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

OFFICERS

The Elected Officers of MCRW serve two-year terms. The Officers include:

President



Patty Castillo
2026/2027

The President is the guiding force that makes an organization successful in all its endeavors. The President should:

- know the bylaws of the National Federation, the State Federation and the local club and ensure that the organization functions in accordance with these
- preside at all meetings and ensure that meetings are conducted in accordance with parliamentary procedure
- appoint the chairmen of all standing and special committees, except the nominating committee
- perform any, and all other duties as specified in the club bylaws

First Vice President



Rebecca Eubank
2026/2027

The First Vice President performs the duties of the President whenever the President is absent or otherwise unable to serve. She is an ex officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee. She also performs other duties as the President may designate.

Second Vice President



Lori Whitsell
2026/2027

The Second Vice President performs the duties of the President or First Vice President whenever the President or First Vice President is absent or otherwise unable to serve. She also performs other duties as the President may designate.

Get to Know the Board of Directors

Secretary



The Secretary is the recording officer and keeps a record of the proceedings of all meetings of the organization and the Executive Board. She has custody of all records pertinent to the organization.

Vicky Kendig
2026/2027

Treasurer



The Treasurer is the custodian of all funds of the organization and pays bills upon authorization by the President. The Treasurer keeps an account of all moneys received and disbursed to the membership and gives a report to the membership at each regular meeting. She submits her financial records to the internal review committee for an end-of-year financial review.

Beverly Fallon
2026/2027

Executive Board

In addition to the Officers, and Committee Chairs shown before, the Executive Committee consists of the immediate Past President, and the chairwoman of the Bylaws Committee. The Parliamentarian and Chaplain serve as ex officio members without a vote. Special committees are formed periodically when needed.





Board Roster
2026-2027

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Officers:

President	Patty Castillo	PresMCRW@gmail.com	904-629-8292
1st Vice President	Rebecca Eubank	Becca042088@gmail.com	254-723-1627
2nd Vice President	Lori Whitsell	loriwhitsmcrw@gmail.com	704-290-8524
Secretary	Vicky Kendig	victoriakendig@gmail.com	254-644-2170
Treasurer	Beverly Fallon	bevyfallon@yahoo.com	254-715-1028

Standing Committees:

By-Laws	Barbara Cross	bcrosslmt@gmail.com	254-424-8822
Caring for America	Ellie Cates	elliecates302@gmail.com	214-597-8540
Communications	Cheryl Lenamon	cheryl.lenamon@gmail.com	254-717-5926
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Membership	Lori Whitsell	loriwhitsmcrw@gmail.com	704-290-8524
Political Activities	Nancy Keaton	NNKeaton@gmail.com	360-269-7213
Past President	Stephanie West	stephjwest5@hotmail.com	254-744-0924

Special Committees (as needed):

Americanism			
Awards			
Chaplain	Rosie Painter	bobrosie68@yahoo.com	661-703-8376
Financial Review			
Parliamentarian	Judy Staples	judy@judystaples.com	716-361-6354



Yes, I'd Like to Get Involved.

Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____

I'd like to work on _____
(Committee, Activity, Event or Area)

Special Skills (computer knowledge, Public Relations, Photography, Event Planning, etc.):

Or

I'd like to work ANYWHERE you need me

Please tell us your availability:

I'd like to work about _____ hours per month

I'd like to work AS MUCH as I'm needed! (time permitting)

Please turn this form in to any Board member or to the Membership Chair.

Why We Count Our Hours

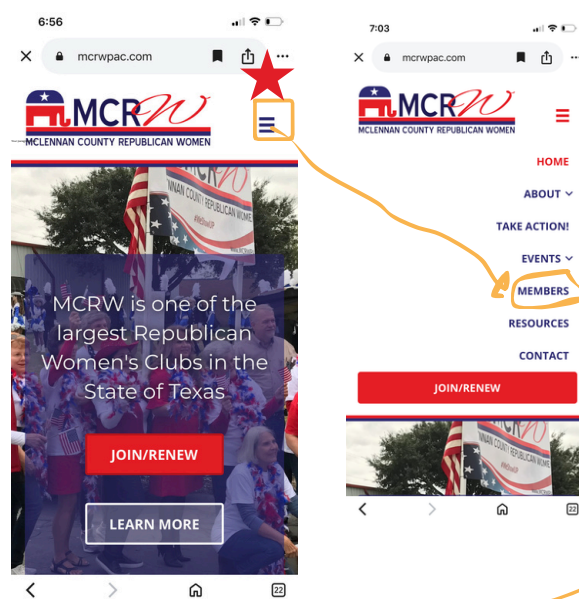
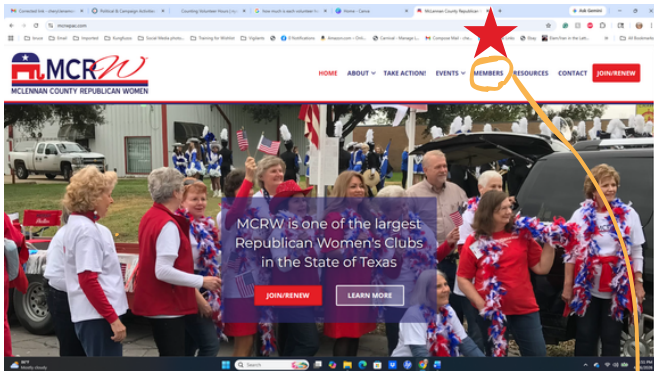
MCRW, TFRW, & NFRW Gain Political Credibility with Candidates & Elected Officials
Draw great speakers because MCRW is a political powerhouse

How to Record Your Hours

Go to MCRWpac.com

Computer

Phone



After you click on "Members" this page will open up

Members

POLITICAL HOURS

We count the hours we contribute to MCRW and to our Republican causes so that others may see the valuable investment that Republican Women make in our country. [Click here for information about counting your hours.](#) Please submit your monthly hours here:

Fill in

Name *

First Last

Email *

Time Period *

January

Please Enter the Number of Volunteer Hours *

Please Enter the Number of Calls Made

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click here

Submit


Please submit your hours at the end of each month. We report the totals quarterly to TFRW.

Your Time Counts!


Count These Hours



Reading Political Books & Magazines



Working an Election - Judge, clerk, poll watcher



Door Knocking

Count These Hours



Phone Calls



Precinct Chair Duties



Meetings & Conventions (including travel)

Count These Hours



Headquarters Volunteer



Committee Work



Getting Out the Vote & Voting

You Can Count These Hours Also!!!



Watching Politics on TV



Listening to a Political Podcast



Talking Politics with friends

How do I get more information?

MCRW Website www.MCRWPAC.com

Check our website FIRST! There you will find information about our club, our events, ways to take action, member tools, member documents like our bylaws and many other resources!

TFRW Website www.TFRW.org

There are many club resources available on-line to all TFRW members. On the TFRW website you may find club business forms, applications, calendars and the TFRW Leadership Handbook. While many resources are available to any website visitor, some items require a password for access.

To access the "Members Only" section of the TFRW website: On the top right-hand corner of the website, enter the email that you used for your MCRW membership. If you need to set up your account, follow directions provided. If you need help, please email: TFRW@tfrw.org

NFRW Website www.NFRW.org

The NFRW website also provides ample resources for members. Again, for some items you will need to log in to access the "Member Center" of the website. If you need to set up an account, please follow the directions on the homepage. First click the Login button on the top right and then click on [Activate your website account in a few simple steps](#). If you need help, please click [contact us for assistance](#) and fill out the form on the page.

Additional Resources:

Watching the legislature <http://www.capitol.state.tx.us/>

Researching a Bill <http://www.capitol.state.tx.us/Search/BillSearch.aspx>

Secretary of State <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/about/index.shtml>

Who are my Elected Officials? <http://www.fyi.legis.state.tx.us/Home.aspx>

Office of Governor Greg Abbott <https://gov.texas.gov/contact/>

Office of Appointments <http://gov.texas.gov/appointments>

McLennan County Elections Office - Website and Phone Number:

www.mclennanvotes.com 254-757-5043

Republican Party of Texas <https://www.texasgop.org/>

Republican Party of McLennan County <https://mclennanrepublicans.org/>

Conservative websites for concerned Texans (email signup available on each site):

<http://texaseagle.org/> <https://texasscorecard.com/>

Other Important Things to Know

1. Membership Levels

Dues start at \$40 per year, and \$25.00 of each membership goes to TFRW. To be able to support Republican Candidates and do all that the club does each year, we have generous donors who join at the Patron or Gold/Silver Sponsor Board levels. Members can upgrade their membership at any time during the year.



2. Increasing Our Numbers

The more members we have, the more we can do to Keep Texas Red and elect conservative, Republican Candidates. Therefore, we all work together to reach out to our friends, family, and community. The best way to do that is to bring a guest to our meetings.



3. Red Readers Book Club

On the 4th Thursday of each month, interested members meet at Our Breakfast Place from 11:30 - 1PM to discuss that month's book selection. All are welcome.



4. We Celebrate!

While much of what we do is serious business, we never miss an opportunity to party! And even when we are serious, we make it fun!



5. We Show Up!

Whether it's for our community through Caring for America or a political activity, we are there to lend a helping hand.

We look forward to getting to know you better!



Get involved!

