What an exciting year! The WPRW February Newsletter



## A Message from the President

What a wonderful year we had last year. While it's great to look back, we need to stay focused ahead. We have a lot of work to do this year to take back Washington. Although the club will not endorse a candidate in the primary, I encourage each of you to pick a candidate and help him or her. We all want the best candidate. Once the primary is over, if it ever is, we will work hard for every Republican on the ballot. As of this writing the redistricting case is still before the Supreme Court, so the primary date is still in limbo.

Our club is growing fast and I am very excited. We have new members who have jumped in and gotten involved. This is great. The way a club survives is for its members to be involved. We still have some committees that need chairs and committees that need help. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact me.

Looking ahead, our plate is very full. We will have candidate forums, many interesting speakers, a fundraiser, and opening a headquarters. It's is a great year to be a Republican!

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### The Power of a Volunteer

Each quarter we ask all members to submit their volunteer hours. It's not because we are nosey. It's not because we require a minimum number of hours from our members. It's because the number of hours we volunteer on behalf of the club demonstrates our strength and value to Republican candidates. The more hours that we generate, the more power we have. We need YOUR HOURS!

### What hours count?

Work at home, mailings, phoning, making posters or other clerical tasks. Work at or for a special event. Attendance at Board Mtgs/Conventions as well as committee work in preparation. Travel Time between events. Volunteering at any county, state, or Federation Head Quarters. Volunteering for a Republican candidate or for a non-partisan office such as school board. Presenting political programs or speeches at local clubs. Running for office and all time spent campaigning. Campaign sign preparation, distribution and removal. Voter Registrar. Get out the Vote participation. Work as a poll watcher, election judge, election clerk or election official may be counted as volunteer if the pay received was donated to the county party or women's club.

# DON'T BE SHY! Count your hours! We need them!



### **Caring for America**

Your support counts! Hello, and Happy New Year. As the 2012 Chair of Caring for America, I shall look forward assisting in our successes. What better way to celebrate this exciting year than to give from the heart. This quarter's selection is Military Moms and Wives. Mary Moreno, contact for the group, was delighted to be our donation recipient. A very needed item is **BUBBLE GUM - the old fashioned** individually wrapped kind. Our military Service Men & Women enjoy this treat themselves as well as giving to local children where they are serving. In addition, the bubble gum helps with packaging care boxes. Ms. Moreno shared, "It is really important not to forget our men and women are out there fighting for our country."

Your contribution to our BUBBLE GUM DRIVE matters to our military. Please bring donations to the WPRW monthly meetings, or you can contact me. Thank you for your support!

Your Committee Chair,



**2012 Programs** 

2012 is an exciting election year with local, state and federal offices on the November ballot. After hearing from US Rep Pete Olson in January, we'll hear from his primary challenger, Barbara Carlson in February along with candidates for State Senator, District 11 and a number of Brazoria County offices. Our March meeting will feature the two candidates vying for Randy Weber's District 29 seat along with the remaining Brazoria candidates who have a primary challenger. As in January when we featured two candidates for the state school board, we anticipate offering future speakers who will make you an informed voter in November.

1st Vice President, Programs Linda Culbreth

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Membership

### **Happy Birthday!**

January Birthday wishes go out to Pat Smajstrla, Carole Williamson, Connie Williams, Fred Kanter, Mark Holder and Chase Grupe! We hope that you all had extra special days! WPRW is growing! We now have 26 regular members and 18 associate members. Our club is only as strong as its members. Bring your friends so that we can all work toward taking back Washington!

2nd Vice President, Membership Jana Shaffer

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