

## **NRW January General Meeting**

**Monday, January 23, 2012**

**Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites  
6055 LBJ Freeway, Dallas 75240**

**9:30 a.m. Coffee**

**10:00 Meeting**

**Speaker: Wade Emmert,  
Chairman**

**Dallas County Republican Party**

**(Subject: Grassroots efforts – what GOP  
activists can do between now and the primary)**

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## *Memo from Mary:*

### **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

Northwood Republican Women was begun in 1972, and will celebrate its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. **Look forward to a big party later this year.** We all know that Northwood is a leader – Northwood members are knowledgeable -- Northwood women are hard-working -- Northwood members get the job done. And, along the way we have a little fun doing it.



I am pleased and honored to have been a member of NRW for many years, and to have been elected to serve our club as president this year. I look forward to a good year, but also realize that 2012 will be a very busy and challenging year. We have already seen the task that is before us – electing our Republican candidates.

We have a great group of officers ready to get to work. We are all open to your thoughts and ideas – just call.

I challenge all of you to become more involved in 2012 – Our club needs you, our city needs you more than ever, our state needs you, and our country certainly needs you. Your influence extends to more individuals than you know. Invite your friends, neighbors and family to join you – reach out and encourage others to become involved.

When you are asked to participate in a project or do a job for NRW, say “yes” – our better still, don’t wait to be asked. Find a project you are interested in and then go to the chair and ask “What can I do to help you?” There is something for everyone to do.

Again, I look forward to serving NRW as president during the exciting year of 2012.

Mary McElvany

## **Wade Emmert, Chairman Dallas County Republican Party**

Dallas County GOP Chair Wade Emmert began his service in politics at Abilene Christian University by joining the College Republicans. Soon after the birth of



his first child, he served in Cedar Hill on the Economic Development Board and later as City Councilman and Precinct Chair coordinator. Wade is currently a partner in the law firm of Burford & Ryburn, L.L.P. practicing in corporate law and civil litigation. Wade was born and raised in Midland. He earned his Bachelor of Arts with Business and International Studies

from Abilene Christian University in 1992 and his J.D. from Baylor School of Law in 1995. He is also a member of Mensa. He has been married for 18 years to Michelle and has two sons, Walker and Will. Wade also serves as deacon and teacher in his church.

## Northwood Republican Women Celebrates 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year

NRW was founded in 1972 by a small group of politically interested women. Through the commitment to Republican principles, the club has grown into a vibrant club with members active in all aspects of the community and its politics. NRW is affiliated with the NFRW and TFRW and has been an award winning club since inception.

**NRW motto:** "We do make a difference."

**NRW's main focus and goal** remains three fold: educate and inform our membership; support and elect Republican candidates; and promote Republican Party philosophy.



One of the earliest photos found in an old scrapbook was this one taken at the home of Martha MacKelvie on February 28, 1977. NRW member Barbara Campbell is shown with Dallas City Councilman Richard Smith. Ruth Gibson was President in 1977, and is still an active member. Barbara now lives in Gilbert, Arizona, but is still an Associate member of NRW.

More articles about our 40 years will appear in future newsletters. If any member has old photos or newspaper articles, please send a copy to Mary McElvany, [mmcelv1057@aol.com](mailto:mmcelv1057@aol.com).

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### Campaign 2012: Goals and Objectives to Win

**Kyle Renard, Chair**

"Finish the Job! Defeat Obama! Take the Senate! Increase the number of Representatives in the House."

To make a clean sweep, we Republicans need to take as many local elections as possible. Remember, it all begins in the local house, then to the State House, and finally to the White House!

## Northwood Republican Women Officers for 2012

### Executive Board

President	Mary McElvany
1 <sup>st</sup> VP Programs	Sandra Breedlove
2 <sup>nd</sup> VP Campaigns	Kyle Renard
3 <sup>rd</sup> VP Membership	Laurie Schacherer
Secretary	Kathy Zerangue
Treasurer	Emily Ray
Parliamentarian	Pam Meyercord

### Appointed Committees:

Fund Raising	Lisa Leach
Hospitality	Linda Club
Legislative	Shelby Boyuls
Telephone	Jan Horne
Awards/Webmaster	Carolee Blumin
Newsletter Chair	Brenda Jones
Committee:	Jan Woody
	Delma Hendrix
DCCRW Reps	Brenda Gaustad
	Nancy Natinsky

### NRW Membership Cares and Concerns:

The mother of member Barbara Vaughan, Verda Dawes Clark, passed away this week in Tahlequah, OK. Mrs. Clark was 101 years old. Please keep Barbara and the family in your thoughts & prayers.

Ben Rogers, husband of Jean Rogers a former member, passed away January 11. We will want to keep Jean and the family in our thoughts and prayers also.

### Texas Redistricting Maps Under Review

This week the Supreme Court of the United States heard oral arguments over which legislative maps should be used for the 2012 election cycle. Last month the high court issued a stay against the use of interim maps issued late last year by a 3-judge panel in San Antonio. Meanwhile, the new maps for Congress, Texas Senate and Texas House that were approved by the Legislature will go on trial later this month before a 3-judge panel in Washington, D.C. to determine whether they meet the requirements of the federal Voting Rights Act.

The election schedule — which was already pushed back to a unified primary on April 3 — may once again have to be pushed back. "The constitutional authority to draw legislative districts rests with the Legislature and not the courts. After months of careful deliberations and extensive public input, the Legislature approved fair, legal maps.

Texans can learn more about the redistricting process and view proposed maps at;  
[www.tlc.state.tx.us/redist/redist.htm](http://www.tlc.state.tx.us/redist/redist.htm).

## Legislation 2012:

Shelby Boyuls, Chair



## Where Am I Running Again???

This is the question that many political candidates are asking themselves right now. "With Texas' redistricting maps still the subject of court battles, the date of the primary elections remains uncertain. The primary, already changed to April 3, could be moved again if the courts can't produce maps by the end of the month.

Once they have maps, election administrators say they need 60 to 80 days to put an election together, and the April 3 primaries won't be possible, they say, if they don't have maps by the end of the month. That's just a couple of weeks." Ross Ramsey-The Texas Tribune

What will that mean for the women of NRW???. It means we will have to be ready to roll up our sleeves and help in every way we can to ensure that strong, republican candidates get into office. Let's make this year one to be remembered, despite this hurdle that we will most definitely overcome. Let's do everything in our power to make Texas great again!

While the Texas Legislature only meets from approximately January to early June every other year, they work on matters outside the period in which they actually pass legislation. The members of the legislature raise their identified issues and the leaders issue interim charges on which the committees hold hearings and gather information to be used during the regular legislative session. The Senate and House Committees shall be working on issues until the legislature reconvenes in 2013. To check on the scheduled hearings you can check the legislature's website at [www.capitol.state.tx.us](http://www.capitol.state.tx.us).

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## Membership 2012:

Laurie Schacherer, Chair

**Membership renewals must be in by January 31st to be included in the 2012 yearbook.** You must include the membership form with their check as this is a TEC rule - but that if everything is the same as last year they can just write that on the form. Mail everything to Laurie Schacherer, Membership Chair at:  
**P.O. Box 26, Ector, TX 75439**

## Renew your own membership in NRW, then -- Invite! Inform! Involve!

- Be part of the solution – We must take our country back!
- Women make up over 50% of the voting public!
- NRW provides an opportunity to have a voice on the local state and national level.
- Become informed on the issues and the candidates. We cannot sit back. We will make the difference in 2012.

**Inform** your friends and family, **Invite** them to join!  
**Involve** all in our club.

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## Have You Heard

- **U.S. Congressman Pete Sessions:**

As you may know, it has been over three years since an application was filed to build the Keystone XL pipeline and bring jobs and energy security to America. In light of the Obama Administration's refusal to make a decision, Congress has repeatedly taken action to demand that President Obama approve the Keystone XL pipeline unless he finds that it is not in the national interest.

On December 23, 2011, President Obama signed H.R. 3765, the Temporary Payroll Tax Cut Continuation Act, into law which requires him to make a decision on the Keystone XL pipeline. The decision must come within 60 days of enactment of the legislation, making a final decision to come by February 21, 2012. To date, it has been 21 days since the bill was passed and the President has not yet made a decision.

At a time when our nation's unemployment rate has been above 8% for 35 consecutive months, the Keystone XL pipeline is a much needed job-creating project. This pipeline would bring oil from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico, creating approximately 20,000 direct jobs and 118, 000 indirect jobs.

- **U.S. Congressman Kenny Marchant:**

This month, the President made four 'recess' appointments to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) and the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB). Because Congress is still in session, his actions circumvented the Senate's constitutional role of advice and consent. What I find especially troubling is the President's appointment to the CFPB of Richard Cordray who was previously rejected by the Senate for this position. The American people have been denied transparency and accountability over a very powerful agency that has the potential to hinder job creation.

- **Happy New Year from the office of Commissioner Mike Cantrell.**

During the 2011 Redistricting for Dallas County, the boundaries for each of the Commissioners changed creating new districts. Commissioner Cantrell now represents the cities of Addison, Carrollton, Coppell,

Farmers Branch, Garland, Highland Park, Rowlett, Richardson, Sachse, University Park, as well as portions of Dallas and the Valley Ranch area. As a result of the district changes, Commissioner Cantrell relocated his District office from Garland to Richardson which is essentially the center of the new district.

New address is: Commissioner Mike Cantrell, Dallas County, District 2, 1701 N. Collins, Suite 1000, Richardson, Texas 75080 214-589-7060

Traci Enna  
Executive Assistant to Commissioner Mike Cantrell  
Dallas County, District 2.

- **Sen. John Cornyn 1/18/12, in response to Obama's proposal to consolidate his administration**

"Yesterday President Obama asked for a 1.4 trillion increase in the debt limit, today he is proposing to shrink the federal government. Unfortunately President Obama does not have much of a record to back up his newfound, election-year enthusiasm for limited government."

**Texas Federation of Republican Women Presents:  
Leadership Survival Skills Camp, \$45.00  
Saturday, February 4, 2012  
Austin, Texas**

**A special evening with Karen Hughes  
Friday, February 3, 2012  
The Sheraton at the Capitol  
702 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Austin**

**\$40.00 TFRW members; \$60 non-members**

**Join for a fun-filled week-end of team building and discovery. Please contact Mary McElvany, 972-380-6269 if you are interested in attending.**

## **Northwood Republican Women OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of this organization shall be

- To work for the election of the Republican Party's nominees.
- To promote an informed electorate through political education.
- To increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government through active political participation.
- To facilitate cooperation among local Republican Women's clubs.
- To foster loyalty to the Republican Party to promote its principles and candidates in all elections including non-partisan elections.

## **Dallas County Council of Republican Women – President's Day Event**

Join DCCRW in welcoming  
Kay VanSant  
Leadership Development Chairman of  
The National Federation of Republican Women  
to Dallas for a special presentation.

Get started on the path to 2012 Republican victories!

Monday, February 20  
9:00 – 9:30 – Meet and Greet  
9:30 – 11:30 – Program  
Dallas County Republican Headquarters  
Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor  
10300 N. Central Expressway, Dallas 75231

*(Your membership in local Republican Women's Clubs includes membership in the DCCRW, the Texas Federation of Republican Women (TFRW) and the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW))*



## **Calendar Of Events 2012**

<b>Jan. 23</b>	<b>NRW General Meeting</b>
Feb. 2-3	TFRW Board Meeting, Austin
Feb. 4	TFRW Leadership Day, Austin
<b>Feb. 13</b>	<b>NRW Board Meeting</b>
Feb. 20	DCCRW President's Day Event
<b>Feb. 27</b>	<b>NRW General Meeting</b>

**Next NRW Board Meeting – Feb. 13**  
at the home of Mary McElvany



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