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**PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO regular DCCRW meeting on February 7<sup>th</sup>.**

**Dallas County Council of Republican Women**

**A Special Invitation  
President's Day Event**



**Kay VanSant**

Leadership Development Chairman  
National Federation of Republican Women

Will be in Dallas for a presentation on

## Leadership Development

Get started on the path to 2012 **Republican** victories!

**Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Meet and Greet**

**9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Program**

**Dallas County Republican Headquarters, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor  
10300 N. Central Expressway, Dallas 75231**

There is no charge for this event. RSVP to Jane Howell at 214-341-0417  
or [rosetrellis@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rosetrellis@sbcglobal.net)

Following the program, a box lunch will be available for those who would like to stay, visit, or ask further questions. Box Lunches must be reserved by February 15, 2012. Each lunch is **\$12.00** and includes a sandwich, a fresh fruit salad, a pasta salad, and a cookie. Choice of sandwiches include: **Classic Chicken Salad on Burgundy Walnut Bread or Roast Beef with White Cheddar on Brioche Roll. Coffee, soft drinks, and water will be available.**

**To reserve a Box Lunch:** Send your check, made out to DCCRW, to: **Pat Bielefeld, 6821 Robin Willow Ct., Dallas 75248.** With your check, please indicate your choice of sandwich and your preference for a regular or diet soft drink. Your check will reserve your lunch.

## MEET KAY VANSANT

Kay VanSant is very active in the Federation, the Republican Party, and her community.

On the National Federation of Republican Women Board of Directors, Kay currently serves as Chairman of the Leadership Development Committee. Previously she served as Legislative Committee Chairman and as Advocacy Chairman. Kay has also served on the NFRW Board as Vice Chairman, Membership, Public Relations, and Leadership Development Committees. She organized and chaired the first three NFRW Legislative Days on Capitol Hill in Washington D.C. Kay has been an NFRW Regent since 1989, and was a charter member of the NFRW Trust.

In the Alabama Federation, Kay is currently the 4<sup>th</sup> Vice President for Programs, and has served as Leadership Development Chairman, and Legislative Chairman. In this capacity, she chaired the 2008 and the 2009 Legislative Days in Montgomery. In Arizona, Kay is a past President of the Arizona Federation of Republican Women, and she served two terms as Region VIII Director, AZFRW Treasurer for two terms, AZFRW Convention Chairman twice, Newsletter Editor, Corresponding Secretary, Leadership Development Chairman and is the founding Chairman of Arizona Federation's Legislative Days.

At the Club level in Alabama, Kay founded the Cherokee County Republican Women in 2006, and is serving her third term as President. In Arizona she served two terms as President of Palo Verde Republican Women, and also served that club as First vice President and Program Chairman, Treasurer, Political Education Chairman, Americanism Chairman, Historian and Advocacy/Legislative Chairman. In the Republican Party, Kay was a Precinct Committeeman in Arizona from 1988 until 2005. She served as Precinct Captain and served on the State Executive Committee. She served as Chairman of District 28 Republican Committee, controlling the largest Republican voting block in the state of Arizona. Kay was Secretary of District 28, Social Events Chairman, Bylaws Chairman and PC Training and Education Chairman. She served as Co-Chairman of the Finance Committee for the Maricopa County Republican Committee. Kay served on the State Executive Committee as AZFRW President, District 28 Chairman, Chaplain of the state Party (two terms), and as State Precinct Committeeman Training Chairman, where she and the state Education Chairman developed the video, Power Point presentation and manual for PC training for the state of Arizona. Before leaving Arizona, Kay once again served as the PC Training and Education Chairman for the state.

In 2001, she received the Republican Citizenship Award. After her move back to Alabama in 2005, Kay was appointed to the Executive Committee of the Cherokee County Republican Committee. Kay has traveled to several states to train Federation members, candidates, and campaign workers in grassroots organization and campaign skills at the local and county levels.

In her community, Kay is very active in her church, and is currently Chairman of the Administrative Board, and serves on the Finance Committee. She is also President of United Methodist Women in her church.

Kay is currently an active member of the Assistance League of Atlanta and has served on the National Assistance League Board of Directors Committee on Philanthropic Programs for seven years. In Arizona, Kay was a member of the Assistance League of Phoenix where she has served in many important positions.

Kay was a Maricopa Medical Center volunteer and served two terms as President of the Maricopa Medical Center Auxiliary, as well as in other positions.

For the city of Scottsdale, Kay served two terms on the Mayor/Council Budget Committee, and the Election Reform Task Force. She was a supporting member of the Scottsdale Cultural Council and the Symphony Guild.

Kay was Chairman of the Task Force on Managed Health Care/HMOs for Congressman J.D. Hayworth, Arizona 5th District, and she also served on Social Security and Medicare Reform Task Forces for the Congressman.

Kay's professional background is in Education as a Secondary School Teacher in math, science and social studies for eight years, and for twelve years, she was with the American Cancer Society as Director of Program and Administration, and as Medical Affairs Director. Kay has developed management training manuals for the American Cancer Society, and the Medical Auxiliary, as well as Membership, Leadership Development and Advocacy materials for NFRW. She conducts nationwide Training Workshops on these subjects.

Kay is a graduate of Auburn University with a B.S. Education degree, with a double major in Science and Social Studies.

Kay is married to a retired Physician and has an adult daughter, a granddaughter and two grandsons, who are the light of her life!! Kay's hobbies are travel, music, art, bridge, tennis, preservation of antique wooden carousels, and POLITICS!!



## TEXAS REPUBLICAN PARTY CONVENTIONS

### Your Grass Roots Road Map to Participation

**Precinct Convention** – County Executive Committee will determine when it's held; after the polls close or within five days of election.

- Primary Election Day – April 3, 2012
- To participate you must have voted in the Republican primary.
- Precinct chairman may open meeting and a permanent chairman is elected.
- Delegates for the Senatorial Convention are selected.
- Resolutions for platform may be presented in writing and voted upon.
- There is no quorum to hold the convention.
- Required paperwork provided and must be returned to the County party headquarters

**Senatorial/County Convention** – Held Saturday, April 14 or 21, 2012 – (lasts one day)

- Delegates chosen at the Precinct Conventions.
- Some Precinct delegates help organize convention and serve on temporary committees.
- Delegates to the State Convention selected by the Nominations Committee and presented to the body for a vote.
- Resolutions will be selected by the Resolutions Committee and presented to the body for a vote
- Vote is by caucus

**State Convention** – June 7, 8 & 9, 2012, Fort Worth

- Delegates are selected by the Senatorial Delegate Committee.
- One delegate from each Senatorial Districted appointed to serve on temporary committees.
- Permanent committee members elected by convention.
- Senatorial Districts will caucus the first day to elect 1 man and 1 woman to serve on State Republican Executive Committee.
- Convention shall elect State Chairman and Vice Chairman.
- **Only in Presidential years:** Congressional Districts will caucus the second day to elect 3 national delegates and 3 alternates to attending national convention.
- A National Committeeman and National Committeewoman will be elected to represent Texas on the RNC
- A state platform will be voted on by convention.

**National Convention** – August 27 to 31, 2012, Orlando, Florida – held before a Presidential Election

- Delegates elected at State elect 1 man and 1 woman to serve on each of the temporary committees for the convention.
- A national platform is voted upon.
- A Presidential nominee is elected.

### President's Message *By Deborah Guerriero*

Leadership is defined as the ability to guide or direct a group. Many more descriptions may be applied, but I know that everyone knows what I mean. All of you are true Leaders! If Dallas County does not have you with full throttle ahead, we will not win our Country but most importantly Dallas County. I am so very proud of everyone who has willingly stepped up to the plate as new Presidents and second term Presidents this year, but also to each club member as you give of your time and talents to work for an important end result! This year will be a hard one for all of us but there is no doubt in my mind that we WILL accomplish our task at hand!

Since the election dates are still to be set it is very frustrating. I do not want anyone to become complacent – we must stay steady in our plan to win in every area for the Conservative viewpoints. We have the ability to regain our America which we knew many, many years ago! For our Veterans of all wars and our current troops around the world, we must work as hard as we can to insure that their sacrifices were not in vain. God Bless America! I will always be here to support our cause and to support your Club and each member associated.

Ready, set, GO!!! We are all in this together.

Sincerely,  
Deborah B. Guerriero

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**Politically speaking, we are  
working hard to make 2012  
The Year of the Elephant!**



**Janet Clesi,  
Director of  
Legislation**

## Legislative Issues

- Photo Voter ID under assault by the US Attorney General Eric Holder Many states have recently passed Photo Voter ID Legislation in an effort to prevent voter fraud. AG Eric Holder issued a public warning that the Justice Department could go to court to overturn such laws.
- US Supreme Court handed down an important decision, Hosanna Tabor V. EEOC case, which keeps the government out of church hiring and firing
- Texas Sonogram law was ruled constitutional
- EPA Decisions that are ruining our country
  - The US Fish and Wildlife Service has extended the public comment period in its move to add the Dunes Sagebrush Lizard to its endangered species list. Public comment has been extended to January 19, 2012. This is a major effort to destroy jobs and put an end to oil drilling

### DID YOU KNOW?

- The Wildlife Protection Law of 2010 in Washington DC now protects RATS! I'm not talking about politicians 😊
- The Occupy Wall Street Crowd is attracting rats. Exterminators are no longer allowed to kill them. They are required to move *rat families* (do they have papers?) to a wildlife preserve 25 miles away. This means they are taking them across the Potomac into Virginia.

## Bylaws

All of our clubs' bylaws are to be in sync with TFRW's and NFRW's Bylaws. If you wish to change your club's bylaws, submit your complete set of bylaws (along with the noted changes) to the TFRW Bylaws committee for approval.

## Newsletter

Club newsletters are great tools for informing members, creating good PR and recruiting new members.

In addition to featuring information on your next meeting (speaker, date, time, location, and contact information), include information such as a legislative update and reports from other committees, and periodic short articles from local GOP elected officials. Make sure every issue of your newsletter includes information on how to join your club.

Be sure to send a copy of your newsletter to TFRW President, Carolyn Hodges, the TFRW offices in Austin, your Deputy President, your District Director, your County GOP Headquarters, and to Holly Hansen, TFRW Texas Star Editor.

## TFRW John Goodwin Tower Award

To those clubs that received the 2011 TFRW John Goodwin Tower Award of Excellence: Congratulations and a job well done.

For those clubs that did not receive the Award, it is a new year and a new beginning. If you strive to meet the requirements for the Award, your club will become a better and stronger club that will attract Republican Women in your area.

- *Presidents: Go to the TFRW website to find the Award form.*

## Campaign 2012: Goals and Objectives to Win

"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!

**SAVE THE DATE:** Tuesday, March 20, 2012  
To celebrate the first 60 years of Republican Women of Dallas County! More information to be announced.  
For information contact Dalene Buhl,  
First Republican Women President

## Dallas County Council of Republican Women Club Information

<b>CLUB</b>	<b>PRESIDENT</b>	<b>MEETING SCHEDULE</b>
Bentwood Republican Women	Barbara Nelson <i>cbcnelson@sbcglobal.net</i>	2nd Monday 10:00 a.m. BentTreeW Swim/TenClub 18018 Voss Road, Dallas
Dallas Downtown Republican Women	Betty Dawson <i>bedawson@swbell.net</i>	2nd Tuesday 6:30 p.m. GOP Headquarters 10300 N. Central Expy, Suite 345, Dallas
Dallas Star Republican Women	Linda Butts <i>lkbbookkeeper@aol.com</i>	2nd Saturday 11:00 a.m. Renaissance Hospital 2929 S Hampton Road, Dallas
First Ladies Republican Women	Adriana Liberto <i>Sal_liberto@sbcglobal.net</i>	Last Tues. 6:15 p.m. dinner; 7 mtg. IHOP 1313 W. Centerville Rd. (off 635), Garland
First Republican Women	Dalene Buhl <i>Dalenebuhl@gmail.com</i>	3rd Tuesday, times vary GOP Headquarters 10300 N. Central Expy, Suite 345, Dallas
Greater Lakewood Republican Women	Kelly Nolan <i>kellynolan@ebby.com</i>	4th Monday 6:30 p.m. (normally) Commonwealth Title 6465 Mockingbird/Hillside Village, 75214
Irving Republican Women	Elena Blake <i>ebblake@tx.rr.com</i>	2nd Monday 7:00 p.m. I-HOP N. Macarthur @ I-635 NW corner. Irving
Lake Highlands Republican Women	Sherrie Timmins <i>sherrievtimmins@gmail.com</i>	3rd Wednesday 9:30 a.m. varies, member homes
Mesquite Republican Women	Joanne Shields <i>siserv@tx.rr.com</i>	1st Thursday 630 Meet & Greet 7:00 p.m. varies, member homes <a href="http://www.mesquiterepublicanwomen.com">www.mesquiterepublicanwomen.com</a>
Northwood Republican Women	Mary McElvany <i>MMcelv1057@aol.com</i>	4th Monday 9:30 a.m. (normally) Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites at the northeast corner of Preston & LBJ.
Park Cities Republican Women	Angie King <i>angielking@gmail.com</i>	3rd Tuesday 11:30 a.m. (normally) SMU Meadows Museum <a href="http://www.parkcitiesrepublicanwomen.org">www.parkcitiesrepublicanwomen.org</a>
Preston West Republican Women	Dee Phelps <i>dee.phelps@att.net</i>	4th Wednesday 9:30 a.m. varies, NW Dallas/FB
Richardson Republican Women	Diane Dees <i>deesgroup91@yahoo.com</i>	3rd Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. varies
Sunnyvale Republican Women	Beverly Williams <i>willi123@tx.rr.com</i>	3rd Thursday, bimonthly, 7:00 p.m. Sunnyvale Town Hall 127 Collins Road, Sunnyvale
White Rock Republican Women	Deandra Grant <i>dgrant@waymark.net</i>	3rd Thursday 6:00 p.m. Highland Park Cafeteria Buckner @ Garland Road
<i>DALLAS COUNTY COUNCIL RW</i>	Deborah Guerriero <i>guerrierodeborah@sbcglobal.net</i>	1st Tuesday, usually 9:30 a.m. GOP Headquarters (morning mtgs.) 10300 N. Central Expy, Suite 345, Dallas

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 The new Dallas County Council of  
 Republican Women's website.

*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.*



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## Calendar of Events

Feb. 2-3 TFRW Board Meeting, Sheraton  
 Austin at the Capitol  
 Feb. 3 TFRW Fundraiser with Joanne King  
 Herring, Sheraton Austin at Capitol  
 Feb. 4 TFRW Leadership Day, Austin  
 Feb. 20 DCCRW President's Day Event