



NEWSLETTER

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**COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION**
of the
TEXAS HILL COUNTRY

MCRW sends our heartfelt condolences & prayers to our fellow Texans in the hill country & to our TFRW sister-clubs in the area. MCRW made a donation to the Community Foundation of the Texas Hill Country to help the communities impacted. To find out more about the foundation, click [HERE](#).

PRESIDENT'S LETTER:

August 2025



Let's Team Up for "Political Feud"!

Our much-anticipated **"Political Feud" fundraiser** is right around the corner, and we need Every Member to help make it a winning night! Alice has done a **FABULOUS** job creating this special evening. This event isn't just fun and games—it's how we raise the funds to support candidate forums, candidate donations, scholarships, community outreach, and more. **Dues alone don't cover it all. This is where YOU as our great MCRW members come in.**

Here's how you can participate:

- **Buy a Ticket—Better Yet, Fill a Table!** Rally your friends and fellow members to purchase a table together. The earlier you purchase a table, the better the seating for the event. Let's pack the room, ready to play and support a great cause!
- **Donate an Auction Item.** Big or small, creative or classic—we need exciting items to make our silent auction a success.
- **Volunteer.** Whether it's greeting guests, decorating, set up, handling name tags, helping at the auction tables or payment station, your time makes a difference. We **NEED** you!
- **Spread the Word.** Invite friends, family, and community members to attend. The more, the merrier—and the more we raise!

When our local officials were invited to join the fun and play Political Feud, they didn't hesitate—they jumped at the chance to be part of the action! Who could resist friendly competition, a few laughs, and helping raise funds for the important work of MCRW?

Come and cheer on your favorite team of officials!!

Let's come together, have a blast, and raise the resources we need to keep our club strong and thriving. "Political Feud" is our chance to shine—don't sit this one out!

See you at the fundraiser!

Barbara

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Join
-US-

If you would like to volunteer to serve on one of our many committees, please reach out to the committee chair, We'd love to chat!



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Join us:

MCRW General Meeting

August 28th, 2025

Meet & Greet at 11am & Luncheon at 11:30am
at River Plantation Golf Club

Register at mcrepublikanwomen.org

Registration Required, "A reservation made is a reservation paid."



Featuring:

Join us for a conversation
with **Bryan Christ** about
artificial intelligence (AI).

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Important GOP Site Links:

[NFRW.ORG](https://nfrw.org)

[TFRW.ORG](https://tfrw.org)

[GOP.COM](https://gop.com)

[TexasGOP.org](https://texasgop.org)

[MCRW SITE](https://mcrw.org)

Campaign Activities: Pearl Maggio

Third Quarter Campaign Hours

Thanks to all who submitted hours for the third quarter. We did very well. I submitted 12,546 hours for MCRW! This number exceeds last quarter's report. Misty Odenweller submitted the most hours with 1.525 being reported. Thank you Misty.

Continue to keep up with your hours. We will be collecting them again in October.

Caring for America: Beverly Wright & Donna Norling

God's Garage was truly blessed by all the checks and gift cards! So many lives will be touched by your generosity.

In December we will fill up bags with wonderful goodies for the Fisher House in Houston. There will be more information in the following months.

We are continuing our food drive for the homeless veterans and we are still collecting worn-out flags for proper disposal.

Thank you Montgomery County Republican Women for all of your support for these great projects. You are MAKING AMERICA GREAT AGAIN!



Membership: Suzanne Adams

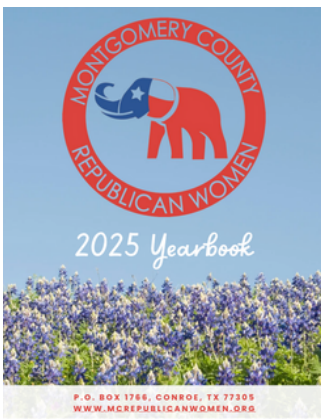
Veterans Memorial Tour Coming Soon!

Plans are underway for a private club tour of the new Veterans Memorial in Conroe during its October "soft opening," with a possible lunch for members and spouses—full details coming soon!

Membership #'s: 114 primary, 55 associates, and 2 junior affiliates.

2025 membership dues are due now.

Scan the QR code to join/renew, or join online at mcrepublicanwomen.org. You may contact Suzanne Adams, Membership Chairman @ 713-582-8902 if you are unsure of the status of your membership.



Yearbook: Rachael Peters

2025 MCRW Yearbooks are available for \$5!

All MCRW members and associates should have received an email on May 23rd with a digital version of our 2025 yearbook. If you'd like to purchase a printed yearbook, you can purchase them at our monthly general meetings for \$5. Exact cash is appreciated.

Governor Abbott Announces Special Session Agenda

Although, at the time of writing this report the Texas State House Democrats have left the State to prevent the House having quorum to vote on the mid-decade redraw of Texas's 38 U.S. congressional districts, official House business is hampered not just re-distictiing. It is not a merely a legal compliance bill. It is a strategic political redistricting plan according to the Fifth Courts 2024 ruling in Petteway vs Galveston County. It could increase the Texas Republicans' share of congressional seats from 65% to nearly 79% shifting the state's delegation in line with partisan ratios seen in deep blue states like California and Illinois.

The Governor can call a Special Session for 30 days through November if necessary. We will watch and see if any laws get passed on the Governor's agenda especially for flood emergency warning and support for those affected by recent flooding.

July 9, 2025 / Austin, Texas / [Press Release](#), Governor Greg Abbott today issued a [proclamation](#) identifying 18 agenda items for the upcoming Special Session that begins at 12:00 PM on Monday, July 21. "We delivered on historic legislation in the 89th Regular Legislative Session that will benefit Texans for generations to come," said Governor Abbott. "There is more work to be done, particularly in the aftermath of the devastating floods in the Texas Hill Country. We must ensure better preparation for such events in the future."

The Special Session agenda items include:

FLOOD WARNING SYSTEMS: Legislation to improve early warning systems and other preparedness infrastructure in flood-prone areas throughout Texas.

FLOOD EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS: Legislation to strengthen emergency communications and other response infrastructure in flood-prone areas throughout Texas.

RELIEF FUNDING FOR HILL COUNTRY FLOODS: Legislation to provide relief funding for response to and recovery from the storms which began in early July 2025, including local match funding for jurisdictions eligible for FEMA public assistance.

NATURAL DISASTER PREPARATION & RECOVERY: Legislation to evaluate and streamline rules and regulations to speed preparedness for and recovery from natural disasters.

ELIMINATE STAAR TEST: Legislation to eliminate the STAAR test and replace it with effective tools to assess student progress and ensure school district accountability.

CUT PROPERTY TAXES: Legislation reducing the property tax burden on Texans and legislation imposing spending limits on entities authorized to impose property taxes.

PROTECT CHILDREN FROM THC: Legislation making it a crime to provide hemp-derived products to children under 21 years of age.

REGULATE HEMP-DERIVED PRODUCTS : Legislation to comprehensively regulate hemp-derived products, including limiting potency, restricting synthetically modified compounds, and establishing enforcement mechanisms, all without banning a lawful agricultural commodity.

PROTECT UNBORN CHILDREN: Legislation further protecting unborn children and their mothers from the harm of abortion.

BAN TAXPAYER-FUNDED LOBBYING: Legislation prohibiting taxpayer-funded lobbying, including the use of tax dollars to hire lobbyists and payment of tax dollars to associations that lobby the Legislature.

PROTECT HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS: Legislation, similar to Senate Bill No. 1278 from the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, that protects victims of human trafficking from criminal liability for non-violent acts closely tied to their own victimization.

POLICE PERSONNEL RECORDS: Legislation that protects law enforcement officers from public disclosure of unsubstantiated complaints in personnel files.

PROTECT WOMEN'S SPACES: Legislation protecting women's privacy in sex-segregated spaces.

ATTORNEY GENERAL ELECTION POWERS: Legislation proposing a constitutional amendment allowing the Attorney General to prosecute state election crimes.

REDISTRICTING: Legislation that provides a revised congressional redistricting plan in light of constitutional concerns raised by the U.S. Department of Justice.

TITLE THEFT & DEED FRAUD: Legislation, similar to Senate Bill No. 648 from the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, that provides strengthened protections against title theft and deed fraud.

WATER PROJECT INCENTIVES: Legislation, similar to Senate Bill No. 1253 from the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, that authorizes political subdivisions to reduce impact fees for builders who include water conservation and efficiency measures.

STATE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT: Legislation, similar to Senate Bill No. 2878 from the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, relating to the operation and administration of the Judicial Department of state government.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN, GENERAL MEETING. JUNE 26, 2025

President Barbara Eddleman called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. Kaye Stone led the prayer and the pledges to the American and Texas flags.

President Eddleman introduced elected officials, candidates and guests. She spoke of the significance of July 4th and encouraged everyone to be thankful for and proud of America. She stated that Republican women must stay informed, engaged and strong in their values.

The minutes of the May 22, 2025, meeting were approved as written and the May treasurer's report was approved and will be filed for financial review.

Committee Reports

- **Caring for America** – Beverly Wright presented Justin Goggins, Executive Director of God's Garage, with a \$1,500 club donation in addition to gift cards and checks from members. He emphasized how grateful the women were for the cars and gift cards.
- **Membership** – Suzanne Adams reported that MCRW has 110 active members, 55 associates and 2 youth affiliates. A fall member social will be held at the Veterans' Memorial Park, Conroe, date to be determined.
- **Campaign Activities** – Alice Melancon announced that volunteer hours are due to Pearl Maggio by June 30th.
- **Scholarship** – Alice Melancon and Susan Stockholm presented Rachael Peters with the Dr. Wally Wilkerson Scholarship certificate, a \$1,000 check, gift bag and gift cards.
- **TFRW Convention** – President Eddleman reported that MCRW is allowed 11 delegates and 11 alternates to the TFRW Convention, October 23-25, in San Antonio. Delegates attending are Barbara Eddleman, Pearl Maggio, Nancy Hicks, Rachael Peters, Alice Melancon, Lindsey Kasprzak, Suzanne Adams, Donna Norling, Virginia Miller and Marisa Rummell. Delegates were approved by consensus. Anyone interested in attending as a delegate or alternate should contact President Eddleman.
- **Fund Raiser** – Alice Melancon reported on the September 18, 2025, fundraiser event when elected officials will play "Political Feud". She encouraged members to sponsor tables, buy tickets and donate auction items for the event. Contact Pearl Maggio to donate auction items.
- **Nominating Committee** – Following a member vote, Nancy Hicks, Pearl Maggio, Virginia Miller, Rachael Peters and Lindsey Kasprzak were chosen to nominate the 2026 Executive Committee. Kat Rummell and Susan Stockholm will serve as alternates.

SPEAKER INTRODUCTION

* Alice Melancon introduced Judge Claudia Laird, Probate Court #1 and Judge Kristin Bays, 284th District Court. They talked about the history of the County Court House and the current issues dealing with building deterioration, lack of space, jail overcrowding, rodent infestation, asbestos, electrical failures and overall poor building maintenance.

Door Prizes – Kathy Rickli and Betty Byrd gave out the door prizes. Kathy reminded members that door prizes, desserts or monetary donations towards desserts are needed.

There was no further business, and the meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Stockholm for Pearl Maggio, Recording Secretary

MCRW Treasurer's Report June 01, 2025 – July 31, 2025 General Fund

Beginning Book Account Balance per Book (May 31, 2025) \$ 44236.96

Income/Deposits

06/04/25	Square	Luncheon - June	\$ 30.94
06/05/25	Square	Luncheon - June	\$ 93.13
06/13/25	Square	Luncheon - June	\$ 30.94
06/16/25	DEPOSIT	Dessert Donation	\$ 100.00
06/16/25	DEPOSIT	FUNDRAISER - 5	\$ 3617.00
06/16/25	Square	Luncheon - June	\$ 30.94
06/17/25	Square	Luncheon - June	\$ 30.94
06/18/25	Square	Luncheon - June	\$ 30.94
06/24/25	Square	Luncheon - June	\$ 155.31
06/27/25	DEPOSIT	Dessert Donation	\$ 20.00
06/27/25	DEPOSIT	Luncheon - June	\$ 1060.00
06/27/25	Square	Luncheon - June, Membership	\$ 368.73
07/14/25	Square	Membership - Nyborg	\$ 40.48
07/28/25	Square	Luncheon - August	\$ 30.94

Total Income/Deposit \$ 5640.29

Expenses – Charges & Checks

06/12/25	2734	TFRW - Membership	\$ 25.00
06/13/25	DEBIT	CONSTANT CONTACT – Text Fees	\$ 23.46
06/15/25	2735	TFRW – Convention Advertisement	\$ 525.00
06/16/25	2736	Alice Melancon – Fundraiser Expenses	\$ 28.07
06/16/25	2737	Speed Printing – Newsletter/Yearbook	\$ 272.00
06/26/25	2738	Charitable Donation - God's Garage	\$ 1500.00
06/26/25	2739	Preisler Golf Properties	\$ 1830.00
06/30/25	2740	TFRW – Membership	\$ 50.00
07/08/25	2741	Speed Printing - Newsletter	\$ 22.00
07/10/25	DEBIT	Charitable Donation – Kerrville TX	\$ 1000.00
07/13/25	DEBIT	CONSTANT CONTACT – Text Fees	\$ 23.46
07/24/25	2742	TFRW - Membership	\$ 25.00

Total Checks and Bank Charges \$ 5323.99

Ending Bank Account Balance per Books \$

44553.26

Petty Cash \$ 100.00

Total Cash Available (July 31, 2025) \$ 44563.26

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there for updates!



Be sure to **LIKE** and
FOLLOW the MCRW
Facebook **PAGE**.

JUNE MEETING PHOTOS:

August 2025



Club Members at Congressman Luttrell's Congressional Update Luncheon on August 13th.



Additional club photos can be found on the MCRW [Facebook](#) page.

August 28, 2025	MCRW General Meeting Topic: Artificial Intelligence Speaker: Bryan Christ	River Plantation Golf Club 500 Country Club Dr., Conroe, TX Social: 11am Meeting: 11:30 am
September 11, 2025	MCRW BOARD MEETING	10:00 am Location: TBD
September 18, 2025	MCRW 2025 FUNDRAISER: "POLITICAL FEUD" (Think Family Feud with a political spin!)	River Plantation Golf Club 500 Country Club Dr., Conroe, TX 6:00 PM start time

THANK
you

We offer our heartfelt thanks & gratitude to our 2025 MCRW 'Political Feud' Fundraiser sponsors. We appreciate you & your support!



Newsletter Ads:

MCRW sells business card ads for \$100 per year. Newsletter campaign advertisements are also available for purchase. Ads are published monthly in the MCRW newsletter, except for July & November. These ads should **not** be considered endorsements by MCRW. If you'd like to purchase an ad or have questions, please email Rachael Peters at Rachael.D.Peters@gmail.com.



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MONTGOMERY COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN FUNDRAISER

POLITICAL

Feud

**LOCATED AT:
RIVER PLANTATION
GOLF CLUB**

**SEPT. 18, 2025
6:00 PM**

Please complete this form for ticket purchases or auction donations. For more information contact Alice Melancon at alice.mcrw@gmail.com or 713-410-4399.

Name _____

Address _____

Occupation (required for ethics report) _____

Phone Number _____ Email Address _____

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MCRW
c/o Alice Melancon
17039 Shy Leaf Ct
Conroe, TX 77385

Presidential:

\$5000
8 meal tickets
16 drink tickets, reserved
private table
public recognition
5 minutes to speak at event

Cabinet:

\$2000
8 meal tickets
16 drink tickets
reserved private table
public recognition

Congressional:

\$1200
4 meal tickets
4 drink tickets
reserved table
public recognition

Diplomatic:

\$700
2 meal tickets
2 drink tickets, reserved table
public recognition

INDIVIDUAL TICKETS: \$75 EACH

(Please fill out donor information at top of form)

We will try to accommodate seating requests. Seating is assigned when payment is received from all requesting to sit together. Please write special requests on back of page.

List names for name tags _____

_____ \$5000 Presidential, Check # _____

_____ \$1200 Congressional, Check # _____

_____ \$2000 Cabinet, Check # _____

_____ \$700 Diplomatic, Check # _____

_____ \$75 Individual Tickets, Check # _____

Ticket Quantity _____

Total: \$ _____

AUCTION DONATION

_____ I wish to donate an auction item.

Item _____ Value _____

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