

# LARW February Newsletter

## LEADERSHIP DAY CHALLENGES US FOR 2024 AND BEYOND

To teach and inspire women who wear red, TFRW's 2024 Leadership Day offered amazing insight into efforts and actions in this election year that is so crucial for America's future.

Leadership Day was Friday and Saturday, Jan. 26-27, at the Sheraton Georgetown Hotel and Conference Center. Its focus was to provide members of Texas Federation of Republican Women (TFRW) with guidance for their hometown chapters.

Keynote speaker at the weekend event was former Texas Governor Rick Perry, who first assumed the top position in Texas on December 21, 2000 when Governor George Bush vacated the office to announce his candidacy and campaign for President of the United States. Governor Perry first won the office in his own right by garnering 58% of the vote in the 2002 gubernatorial election.

During his speech at the Leadership Conference, Governor Perry reflected upon how important TFRW had been to that campaign more than two decades ago. He praised the "women in red," adding that the solid backing and hard work from TFRW were crucial to his win.

Governor Perry's accolades on TFRW also served as incentive for what lies ahead. He urged us to get involved amid demands of the 2024 election year. And so, as your hometown president, I encourage all Lubbock Area Republican Women to help, work and bond to save this nation. Do something for your own generation and for those to come!

From easy tasks to complicated ones, consider these urgent jobs like door knocking, block walking, phone calling, letter writing, texting, and other ways that urge citizens to get out and vote!

It can be scary that so many solid, conservative values are at stake. Yet it also strengthens and comforts us to work toward changes for the better in City, State and Country.

Let's ALL join our colleagues and friends in working to again be One Nation Under God.



Susie Stell — President



### February General Meeting

02/15/24 at 11:30 a.m.  
Lubbock Women's Club  
2020 Broadway  
We hope to see you there!



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Rick Perry— former Texas Governor



LARW members who attended the TFRW Georgetown leadership Conference include Esther Felton, Sally Arendell, Susie Stell, Betsy Bloechl, Joni Matthews, Lisa Cox, Debbie Hernandez, Kathy Vandevender, Sharma Moriarty, Deanne Clark, Melanie Ragland, and Lynda Hogue.



## CHAPLAINS IN LUBBOCK SCHOOLS?

On March 28, 2024, the Lubbock Independent School District (L.I.S.D.) School Board will vote “for” or “against” having chaplains in our Lubbock schools. We can show our support for school chaplains by attending this School Board meeting. Citizens taking the time to be present at this meeting will demonstrate to the Board the importance we place on school chaplains and will have a great impact on their vote.

The March 28<sup>th</sup> meeting begins at 7:00 a.m. in the boardroom of the Central Administration Building (West Building), 1628 19<sup>th</sup> Street. We will be providing more information regarding this meeting in the coming weeks.



Susan Cherry-Legislation Chair

*Make time to attend the school board meeting March 28th at 7 a.m. 1628 19th Street. Help make a difference in Lubbock Schools*

**FOR 2024  
SCHOLARSHIP  
APPLICATION  
GO TO  
WWW.LARW.ORG**

## SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Hi,  
I’m Kathy Vandevender, chair of the LARW Scholarship Committee. If you know college students seeking to apply for the scholarship, here’s what they need: A letter of application, an official transcript, a current resume, a letter of recommendation from an active Lubbock area Republican, and a typed essay (not to exceed 300 words) covering one of two topics: What I Can Do to Keep Texas Red -OR- How I became a Republican. And finally, on a separate page or in the application letter, please tell about personal involvement in Republican activities and organizations.



Kathy Vandevender-Scholarship Committee Chair

Scholarships available:

\$1000 per fall and spring semester

\$500 per fall and spring semester

Please contact me with questions and for the entry deadline.

Thank you, and good luck.





## MEMBERSHIP

1 Corinthians 12 beautifully illustrates the unity in diversity within the body of Christ. It underlines the importance of every believer and their unique contributions to the community. Regardless of the nature of our gifts, we are reminded that we all have a place and a purpose within the body of Christ. We are interdependent, and it's through our collective efforts, each performing our God-given roles, that we manifest the love and power of Christ in our communities.

I love how this scripture points out that every believer has a role in completing the body of Christ. Whether it is in a small way or a grandioso way, we all make a difference! Together we are stronger. Together we can move mountains. I believe this scripture is also true for LARW. You are of great importance and can bring much value to our club.

Let's all help in building our club. Think of one friend that you can ask to join LARW. If each of us has one friend who will join, we can double our membership.

I am praying that 2024 is our best year yet!

God bless you and God bless Texas!



Lisa Cox– Membership

## 1 CORINTHIANS 12:12-14

12 Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. 13 For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. 14 Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.

- Susie Stell —President
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- Sharma Moriarty — Treasurer
- Cindy Williams — Corresponding Secretary
- Esther Felton — Recording Secretary
- Lisa Cox — Membership
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- Betsy Bloechl — By Laws-Parliamentarian
- Donita Clark — Caring and Outreach
- Diane Botello — Yearbook
- Debbie Hernandez — Campaign Hours
- Deanne Clark — Impact Strategy
- Monika Pechackova — Website-Design
- Melanie Ragland — Website -Design
- Kris King — Social Chair
- Drue Farmer-Isett — Strategic Planning
- Christina Maldonado —Newsletter



- Joni Matthews —TFRW District Director
- Lynda Hogue —SREC SD-28 Chairwoman
- TFRW - Deputy President Region 2 Precinct Chair #155
- Lubbock County

## THE FAMILIES’ RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES ACT

On January 10, 2024, the Families’ Rights and Responsibilities Act (S.3571/H.R.6934) was introduced by Senator Tim Scott (R-N.C.), Senator James Lankford (R-Okla.), and Representative Virginia Foxx (R-N.C.). The Families’ Rights and Responsibilities Act will ensure parents the fundamental right to direct the upbringing of their children. The Act will guarantee this fundamental right is not ignored or overruled by government officials simply because the government disagrees with the parents. This Act will also protect parents’ rights to choose schools and make medical decisions for their children.

The Family Policy Alliance is asking Americans to call their Representative and ask them to cosponsor H.R.6934. Getting as many cosponsors on the bill as possible will help to obtain the votes needed in the

House for it to pass.

If you would like to see this Act become a law, please call Representative Jodey Arrington and ask him to co-sponsor H.R.6934.

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Thank you for taking the time to make a positive difference in our country.



Susan Cherry-Legislation Chair

## NEWS AND NOTES

Happy New Year, everyone! This 2024 year will be an exciting one with elections and everything going on. We will need to be in prayer for our country, our leaders, and that the elections will be honest and legal.

The **birthdays** we have this month in **February** are: Sarah Bell, Terisa Clark, Mary Foster, Tretha Caddell, Leslie Jabor, Lori Little, Frosty Poston, Shani Robertson, Jane Strong, Lisa Victor, Nancy Wood, Sherry Odorizzi, Carolyn Marshall, Amy King, Joan Jobe, and Donita Clark.

**January birthdays** include: Gail Burrows, Lance Cansino, Lara Hart, Kathy Chauncey, Deanne Clark, Yvonne Dorman, Julie Doss, Pat Gill, Sara Gray, Elaine Milam, Joseph Pullen, Amanda Riggs, Anthony Thulin, Jane May, Lorie Estorga, Diane Botello, Kimberly Copeland, Amanda Bell, Nelda Turner, Kathy Vandevender, Nicole Wilsford, Jennifer Wilson, & Stephanie Brown.

A BIG Happy Birthday to all of you LARW friends! **Please pray** for our country, our leaders, Israel, the border issues, debt, the illegals, our military, and our LARW members’ health issues: Don Workman, Sue Matthews and others; we need wisdom, peace, and strength to continue the fight for liberty and freedom and our Constitution. I’ve included **“Ten Can-Not’s”** written by William J.H. Boetcker

- You cannot bring about prosperity by discouraging thrift.
- You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong.
- You cannot help small men by tearing down big men.
- You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich.
- You cannot lift the wage-earner by pulling down the wage-payer.
- You cannot keep out of trouble by spending more than your income.
- You cannot further the brotherhood of man by inciting class hatred.
- You cannot establish sound security on borrowed money.
- You cannot build character and courage by taking away a man’s initiative & independence.

You cannot help men permanently by doing for them what they **could and should** do for themselves. “Beloved, love one another, for love is of God...so love one another!”



Donita Clark-Caring and Outreach



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## IT'S ELECTION YEAR!

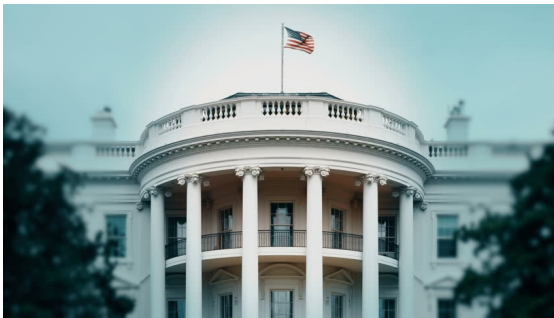
Election year! Oh. What. Fun! It's a great time to be alive and we need to celebrate that...With each other!

Hello! I'm Kris King, social chair for LARW and I would love to get to know you! 2024 is going to be interesting, challenging and exciting! Let's enjoy it together thru planned activities, geared to help us meet new friends, celebrate America, and help usher in like-minded people to lead us! Stay tuned for all the FUN and plan to join us!

February is love month so we will start off with LOVE AMERICA MONTH wearing your red, white and blue and eating burgers together ... what's more American than that?  
Saturday, February 17  
11-1, Blue Sky on 98th and Quaker  
4416 98th Street in Lubbock



Kris King-Social Chair



## GET INVOLVED- LYNDA HOGUE

Hello everyone,

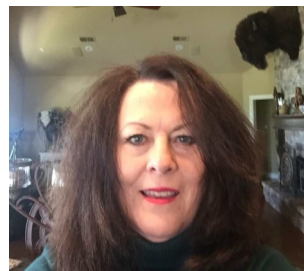
My name is Lynda Hogue and I live in Lubbock County! My husband's name is Jim and I have 3 adult kids Cary, Dee and Cassidy, also have 7 grandchildren.

I have been in politics for about 15 years. Have had a great opportunity to meet some great active people across the state and also here locally.

With the SREC I have been involved with TRCCA David Luther and David Stein, in helping "new county chairs" get ready before the primary with training and paperwork that they will need for the Secretary of State.

SREC members are required to attend Quarterly SREC meetings, of which I was appointed to the State Convention Committee and the Election Integrity Committee's.

I have been chosen by the TFRW President Zenia Warren to be a Deputy President - Region 2. Together with Joni Matthew's who is TFRW District Director we have formed 3 new clubs in Region 2 which are located in Cottle, Hale and Haskell counties. We are currently working to establish another Republican woman's club in Hockley counties which will include some surrounding counties in their area.



Lynda Hogue- SREC SD-28  
Chairwoman  
TFRW - Deputy President  
Region 2  
Precinct Chair #155

### Important Dates!!!

**Primary Election  
Texas:**

**Tuesday, March  
5th, 2024**

**General Election  
Date:**

**Tuesday, Novem-  
ber 5th, 2024**

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## GET INVOLVED-LYNDIA HOGUE

The Sidekick block walking app and the Advantage App will be used for some of the campaigns in our area, so we encourage everyone to please get on board and volunteer for some of the candidates. We can train you on both of these block walking apps.

Lisa Cox will be heading up the scheduling for future training which does include "Sidekick" (block walking) App and "Red Dialer"(phone calling) to get people across the state registered to vote.

Cole Shooter is asking for volunteers to be at the HQ's from now until Primary Election Day (March 5th) on both Thursday's and Saturdays from 11-1pm. Volunteers will be handing out signs and materials plus answering questions anyone may have. Please call me Lynda Hogue @ 806-445-6904 so I can schedule a date that you will be available to help at the HQ's on Thursday or Saturdays. Appreciate all your help and what you can do to help Keep TEXAS Red!!

It is going to take all of us to help in whatever area we can. It all makes a difference.

We ask for your prayers as some of us travel so much to learn how organize and share information with each other. Pray for our elected officials, for our state and for our country!

Blessings to each and every one of you!

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions or concerns. Call me anytime that you need to, if I don't answer I will get back to you asap. All questions are important.

Lynda Hogue

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