

ELLIS COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN PAC  
AFFILIATE OF TEXAS & NATIONAL FEDERATIONS OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN

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Ellis County  
Republican Women

Next Meeting  
March 16, 2004 @ 7:00 pm  
Waxahachie Chamber of  
Commerce

## Quote of the Month

“A low voter turnout is an indication of fewer people going to the polls. “  
--Dan Quayle

“The things that will destroy us are: politics without principle; pleasure without conscience; wealth without work; knowledge without character; business without morality; science without humanity; and worship without sacrifice. “

--Mahatma Gandhi

## New Members

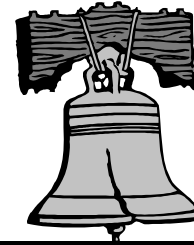


WELCOME to our newest members!!

Beverly Garland from Ennis, Susan James from Ferris, Vernelle Nealy from Waxahachie, Kay Osborn from Midlothian, Royjelene Stump from Ferris

Ellis County Republican Women are happy to have you as members.

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# Liberty Belle

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[www.ECRW.org](http://www.ECRW.org)

March 2004

### Mark your Calendar

#### March

08 Ellis County Commissioners Court  
7:00 pm  
09 Primary Election Day (Precinct Conventions)  
16 General Meeting 7:00 pm  
22 Ellis County Commissioners Court  
10:00 am

#### April

05 First Day of Early Voting for Runoff Primary Election  
06 Last Day to Receive Application for Ballots by Mail for Runoff Election  
09 Last Day of Early Voting for Runoff Primary Election  
12 Ellis County Commissioners Court  
7:00 pm  
13 Runoff Primary Election Day  
20 General Meeting 7:00 pm  
23-24 TFRW Board Meeting  
26 Ellis County Commissioners Court  
10:00 am

### 2004 Officers

*Past-President*  
Floy Poe

*President*  
Dorothy Rogers

*1st Vice-President*  
Marilyn Langenheader

*2nd Vice-President*  
Jean Hefferman

*Treasurer*  
Tommie Worthy

*Recording Secretary*  
Linda Alvarez

*Corresponding Secretary*  
Angela Cordobes

## March Meeting

The ECRW March meeting will be Tuesday, March 16, 2004 at 7:00 at the Waxahachie Chamber of Commerce. The speaker will be Mr. Rodger Williams. Mr. Williams is chairman of the Eagle's Program, Republican National Finance Committee & North Texas Chair for Bush Cheney

2004.

The oldest and best recognized of the RNC's major donor programs, the Republican Eagles were founded in 1975 under the direct personal leadership of President Gerald Ford and Jeremiah Milbank, the then-Finance Chairman of the RNC.

## Perry Announces \$1 million in Grants to Military Communities

AUSTIN – Gov. Rick Perry today announced \$1 million has been awarded to three Texas communities that have been negatively impacted by previous military base realignment and closure (BRAC) actions. The \$1 million will be distributed in the form of grants to be used by the communities for infrastructure and facility projects designed to improve economic development and job creation efforts. The money was awarded from the State's Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant (DEAAG) pro-

gram, which was created in 1997 by the Texas Legislature. At Perry's request, \$1 million was placed in this program to help military communities replace jobs lost as a result of earlier BRAC decisions.

The grants were awarded to:

- City of Dallas, \$462,222 for airfield repair and construction at the former Dallas Naval Air Station. Renovation and repair of the airfield infrastructure will help make the facility viable for future aviation use as redevelopment actions continue.

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## February Meeting

ECRW and the Waxahachie Daily Light sponsored a **Candidate Forum** on Monday, February 16, 2004 at 7:00 pm at the Ellis County Women's Building in Waxahachie. All of our county Elected Officials and Republican Candidates for March 2004 primary were invited to speak to our members.

Ken Roberts from KBEC was our Moderator.

ECRW had over 100 people in attendance. Joe Barton spoke first to lead off the Candidate Forum. The Candidate Forum replaced our regular meeting that was scheduled for February 17.

## Membership Dues



It is time to renew your membership in the Ellis County Republican Women's organization for 2003. The dues are \$20 per member and \$10 per associate member. So to learn more, have fun, and carry out the purpose of our local, state, and national organizations, please JOIN! Bring your payment to the next meeting or you can mail your membership payment to:

Tommie Worthy

## Grants Cont.

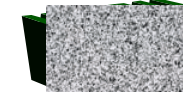
- City of San Antonio, \$184,889 for water line repair at Brooks City Base and \$184,889 for the construction of an engine test cell at Kelly USA. Brooks City Base plans to use the funds for replacement of multiple sections of deteriorated and undersized water lines located along parkways and streets to accommodate new future economic development. Kelly USA will use its grant funds to modify and renovate an existing engine test cell to permit the testing of up to seven different types of jet engine types. This action will help Kelly USA to attract new jet engine repair work at the site and to expand the local workforce.
- Bowie County, \$168,000 to replace roofs, repair heating and cooling units and renovate interiors of six buildings on Red

River Army Depot Industrial Site. This work is part of the local redevelopment plan to enhance and expand facilities for lease to area businesses.

All communities that applied received a portion of the available funds. A DEAAG review panel used an impartial evaluation process to determine the potential job creation impact of each proposal in determining how much money to award.

The five member panel consisted of staff members from the Texas Military Preparedness Commission, the Office of the Governor's Division of Economic Development, and the Texas Aerospace Division. Eligible defense dependent communities will be notified in the event additional funds are made available under the DEAAG program.

## Website



ECRW website has been updated. Changes include an Elected Official page as well as a page for Candidates that are on the ballot for the March 2004 Primary. Please find time to look at the web site.

Contact Angela if you have viewing problems, corrections or anything that needs to be included.

The web site address is:

**[www.ecrw.org](http://www.ecrw.org)**

## Style Show



Ellis County Republican Women will be hosting a spring fundraiser. The fundraiser will be a Fashion Style Show and Luncheon to be held on Friday, March 26 at 12:00 noon at the Ellis County Women Building, 407 Jefferson Street. The cost of the tickets will be \$15.00.

ECRW members Linda Alvarez, Gwen Hood, Marjorie Miller, Floy Poe and Tommy Worthy will be modeling fashions from Bealls Department Store. Bealls will be showing their spring collection.

If you need ticket please contact June Garrett, 972-937-0830.

## No Child Left Behind Update

Children who enter school with language skills and pre-reading skills are more likely to learn to read well in the early grades and succeed in later years. In fact, research shows that most reading problems faced by adolescents and adults are the result of problems that could have been prevented through good instruction in their early childhood years. It is never too early to start building language skills by talking with and reading to children. *No Child Left Behind* targets resources for early childhood education so that all youngsters get the right start.

President Bush's proposed budget for FY 2005 includes \$1.1 billion for Reading First, a 10% increase, to expand the nationwide effort to support comprehensive reading instruction for children in grades K-3. The President's budget proposal also includes \$132 million for Early Reading First, a 40% increase, for the

pre-school component of the Reading First program.

### **Nine Facts about No Child Left Behind.**

1. supports learning in the early years, thereby preventing many learning difficulties that arise later.
2. provides more information for parents about their child's achievement.
3. provides parents and taxpayers with important information about the performance of local schools.
4. gives children and parents a lifeline.
5. improves teaching and learning by providing better information to teachers and principals.
6. ensures that teacher quality is a high priority.
7. focuses on what works.
8. provides state and local leaders with unprecedented flexibility as they implement the law.
9. provides more resources to schools.

Source: U.S. Department of Education