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Ellis County
Republican Women

Next Meeting
June 15, 2004 @ 7:00 pm
Waxahachie Chamber of
Commerce

Quote of the Month

"Freedom is a fragile thing and is never more than one generation away from extinction. It is not ours by inheritance; it must be fought for and defended constantly by each generation, for it comes only once to a people. Those who have known freedom, and then lost it, have never known it again."

--Ronald Reagan

"The United States remains the last best hope for a mankind plagued by tyranny and deprivation. America is no stronger than its people - and that means you and me. Well, I believe in you, and I believe that if we work together then one day we will say, "We fought the good fight. We finished the race We kept the faith." And to our children and our children's children we can say, "We did all that could be done in the brief time that was given to us here on earth."

--Ronald Reagan

New Members



Welcome! Cheri Hanes of Red Oak,
Susanne B. Littleton of
Waxahachie, Joann Thompson of
Waxahachie and Donna White of
Waxahachie.

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

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June 2004

Mark your Calendar

June

03-05 Republican State Con-
vention in San Antonio
14 Flag Day
Ellis County Commissioners
Court 7:00 pm
15 General Meeting 7:00 pm
28 Ellis County Commissioners
Court 10:00 am

July

04 Independence Day
12 Ellis County Commission-
ers Court 7:00 pm
20 General Meeting 7:00 pm
23-24 TFRW Board Meeting
26 Ellis County Commission-
ers Court 10:00 am

2004 Officers

Past-President
Floy Poe

President
Dorothy Rogers

1st Vice-President
Marilyn Langenheader

2nd Vice-President
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Linda Alvarez

Corresponding Secretary
Angela Cordobes

June Meeting

The ECRW June meeting
will be Tuesday, June 15, 2004
at 7:00 at the Waxahachie
Chamber of Commerce. ECRW
are looking forward to our next
speaker, Rusty Ballard, Repub-
lican County Chairman for
Ellis County.

ECRW will hold their
general monthly meeting fol-
lowing our guest. Please stay
for the meeting,

Our Sympathy

Ellis County Republican
Women sends their deepest
sympathy to Representative
Jim Pitts and his family for
their loss. Evelyn Pitts died
Sunday at Baylor University
Medical Center in Dallas.

ECRW would like to do-
nate a memorial in Evelyn
Pitts name. A discussion will
be held at our June meeting.

Our thoughts and
prayers are with Jim and his
family in this difficult time.

Fourth Special Session Ends

The Texas Legislature has
adjourned and ended the fourth
special session of the seventy-
eighth legislature. There will be a
fifth special session, but the start
date is unknown.

With two days remaining
in the special session, the legisla-
ture decided not to prolong the
inevitable. It had become very
clear that: (a) the House members
could not agree among them-
selves on an approach to school
finance reforms; (b) Senators

could not agree among them-
selves either; and (c) even if ei-
ther chamber could have pro-
duced a complete and meaning-
ful bill, the other chamber proba-
bly would not have accepted it.
Now, various "working groups"
will attempt to hammer out a
solution that is acceptable (and
passable) on both sides of the ro-
tunda. Then (perhaps weeks or
months from now) a fifth special
session will begin.

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May Meeting

The ECRW May Meeting was Tuesday, May 18, 2004 at 7:00 at the Waxahachie Chamber of Commerce. ECRW **"Spotlight on Youth"** was the program.

ECRW awarded two Inez Lewis Scholarships for this year each for \$1000. Bonnie Kaelin and Brittani Wall were present at the meeting to accept their award along with their parents.

Bonnie Kaelin is from Waxahachie High School and her parents are John and Carla. Bonnie is planning to attend Texas State University in San Marcos and is going to study Pre Physical Therapy. She plans to be a pediatric Physical Therapist.

Brittani Wall is from Maypearl High School and her parents are Rex and Jerrie. Brittani is planning to attend Texas A & M University and is going to study Biology. She plans to be a Nurse or a Pediatrician.

Andrea Palmer from Midlothian 4H gave a speech on "Why You Should Vote."

Items that were donated to soldiers stationed in Iraq and Afghanistan were brought to this meeting by the ECRW members. The items were put into Care Packages sent to the soldiers by the mother of a soldier stationed in a Iraq.

ECRW held their general monthly meeting following all of the guest.

Special Session cont.

The TML Board unanimously voted to oppose revenue caps, an appraisal cap of three percent, and a requirement that local elected officials serve on appraisal boards of any description.

While the governor and his staff actively pushed these proposals, they never gained much momentum among legislators. Revenue caps were not seriously considered in either chamber; neither were elected official appraisal boards. The House-passed bill (4H.B.1) included a five-percent appraisal cap; that is, it would have limited residential property appraisals to an increase of no more than five percent per year. (The current limit is ten percent per year.) The Senate also considered a five-percent cap, but it was never approved by the Senate Finance Committee.

Polka Fest

Ellis County Republican Women participated in the Annual Ennis National Polka Festival Parade with a float designed by member Sue Tuner. The parade was on Saturday, May 29 at 10:00 am in Downtown Ennis. There were seven members representing the ECRW. The members were Betty Baird, Cheree Barrett, Jane Dozier, Floy Poe, Dorothy Rodgers, and Sue Turner represented the ECRW and showed our support for President George Bush. Sue Turner has some picture of the float.



Tribute to Women

At this year's Republican Party of Texas State Convention the Texas Federation of Republican Women will host their TRIBUTE TO WOMEN LUNCHEON on June 5, 2004 from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the Marriott River Center Hotel in San Antonio.

Ellis County Republican Women honored two of our outstanding members. The members honored were June Garrett and Floy Poe. Both June and Floy have worked very hard in the past few years. They are still working full steam and they deserve this recognition.

June Meeting



The ECRW July meeting will be Tuesday, July 27, 2004 at 7:00 at the Waxahachie Chamber of Commerce.



Please note ECRW July meeting has been moved from July 20 to July 27.

Campaign Activities

The hours that we work for our candidates are very important to our club. We can win prizes, etc. Every time that you do anything campaign-wise, mark it down and it can be 'portal-to-portal' (your door to their door).

If it is your spouse, and you are a member of the club, this counts very fast.

- Work done at home (mailings, posters, signs, telephoning, baking)
- Working at or organizing special event.
- Fed. Board of Directors' meeting of Federal Conventions and travel time
- County or State party committee scheduled meeting times and travel time.
- Political work done at club meeting (i.e. driving a candidate, working on mail-

ings, getting candidate petitions signed, etc.)

- Volunteer time at county, state, or Federal Headquarters.
- Nonpartisan time for Republican Candidates in city and school board elections.
- Voluntary campaign times as a candidate (male associate members n/a)

Report your hours to: Jane Dozier