

2nd Quarter 2018 Newsletter



April Meeting

Standing L to R: MaryAnn Derby, Lori Cotton, Darren Cook, Loretta Cammack, Mark Harkness, Greg Sowell, Mike Perry, LeeAnn Goerner, Dale Morton, Robert Hurst and Jason Bridges Seated L to R: Anita Kite, Kim Morton, Jerri Jones, June Clifton, Denise Baublet, and Pattye Greer

APRIL

There were 42 people in attendance for the April meeting. This was the first luncheon at our new location, the Fredonia Hotel. The speakers were Sheriff

Jason Bridges and Reserve Deputy Robert Hurst. Mr. Hurst gave a presentation on school safety regarding Protection of Children from the I Love You Guys foundation. Sheriff Bridges also indicated he was working on an app that would be similar to the Amber Alert program. However, it would only alert peace officers to an active shooter. This would greatly decrease response time, especially in rural areas. Mike Perry and Greg Sowell gave a brief speech as they are facing each other in the run off for County Judge. Mark Harness and Darren Cook also gave a brief overview of themselves as they are facing each other for County Commissioner, Pct 4. The run off was held on May 22 and Greg Sowell is our County Judge elect and Mark Harkness is County Commissioner, Pct 4 elect. Both men did not face a Democrat opponent and they will be sworn in on January 1, 2019.

We would like to thank Donna Finley for graciously hosting our previous luncheons at Austin Hall.

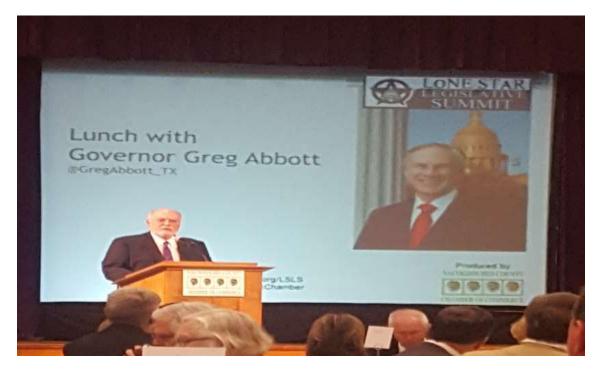


Sheriff Jason Bridges, Guest Speaker

The Lone Star Legislative Summit was held on April 12 and 13 at SFA. The Nacogdoches County Republican Party presented the Statesman Award to Governor Abbott in a private ceremony that was attended by several of our members.



Some of the NCRW attending the Luncheon were June Clifton, Loretta Cammack and Lori Cotten



State Senator Robert Nichols introducing Gov Greg Abbott to Nacogdoches

MAY

Our May luncheon guest speaker was local attorney Rey Morin. Mr. Morin is a former U.S. Attorney and gave a presentation of our current immigration laws as well as the recent March 13, 2018 law in which the 5th Circuit upheld Texas "sanctuary cities" law.

Dorothy Smith gave a brief overview of the United States Embassy being moved to Jerusalem and the significance of this move. Dorothy also announced that Savannah Lott, a senior from Martinsville High School was selected by the Scholarship Committee to receive the NCRW scholarship. Savannah is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Ronald Lott. Savannah plans to attend East Texas Baptist University in the fall.



Savannah Lott receiving her scholarship from Dorothy Smith, Scholarship Chair



May Meeting
Standing L to R: Dale Morton, Jason Bridges, Rey Morin, John Fleming, Rhonda Ward and LeeAnn Goerner
Seated L to R: Anita Kite, Mary Ann Derby, Jerri Jones, June Clifton and Lori Cotton

JUNE

June was a busy month. Saturday, June 9th was the annual Blueberry Festival. The Nacogdoches County Republican Women were well represented. State Representative Travis Clardy graciously donated two booths, located in front of his office. We handed out 750 bags with our logo as well as the NCRP logo. Kids enjoyed helium balloons and candy and several hundred people signed our pillowcases for veterans. The biggest hit was our "selfie" frame, handcrafted by our own Lori Cotten. Everyone wanted their pic with our Blueberry Elephant!



Volunteers Pam Morin and Jerri Jones



Nacogdoches County Republican Women Booth



Volunteers Loretta Cammack, Rhonda Ward, June Clifton and Jerri Jones taking a "selfie" break

There were over 245 booths with 20,000+ people in attendance. A big "thank you" to the volunteers who helped that day: Paige Pattillo Brown, Loretta Cammack, June Clifton, Lori Cotten, Donna Finley, Betty Houchin, Jerri Jones, Denise Lee, Pam Morin, Rey Morin, Angelia Morton, Dale Morton, Merilyn Walton, Jason Ward and Rhonda Ward.



Our own Sheriff Bridges and Merilyn Walton



Photos by Tim Monzingo/The Daily Sent Nacogdoches County Republican Women members stuff reusable bags with campaign a informational materials to hand out during the 29th annual Blueberry Festival Saturday.

We even made the front page of The Daily Sentinel

The Texas Republican Convention was held June 14 – 16 in San Antonio. Several of our members were delegates to the convention. Texas is host to the largest Republican State Convention. What about this is surprising? After all it is TEXAS!

KEEP TEXAS RED!



L to R: Carolyn Matthews, Sharron Graves, Gene Graves, Meredith Fleming, John Fleming, Betty Houchin, Mike Mosley, Jim Stallworth, Mary Ann Derby, Dorothy Smith, Anita Kite, Angelia Morton, Denise Lee, Sandy Yates, Dale Morton, Jackie Yates, Keith Payne and George Gray.





On behalf of the Nacogdoches County Republican Women, Martha Waggoner donated a copy of the book "Three Days in Moscow: Ronald Reagan and the Fall of the Soviet Empire" by Bret Baier to the Judy B. McDonald Public Library. From left are Martha Waggoner, NCRW Literary Chairman and Mercedes Franks, Library Director.

We would like to thank Martha for so graciously taking on this endeavor through the years.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

July - No NCRW Luncheon

August 13, 2018 - NCRW Salad Luncheon, at the home of June Clifton Price, 2501 Carole St.

September 10, 2018 - NCRW Luncheon, at the Fredonia Hotel.

September 15, 2018 Open House and "kick-off" of the campaign season at the Nacogdoches County Republican Headquarters.

October 8, 2018 - NCRW Luncheon at the Fredonia Hotel.

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