

Daughters of Liberty Republican Women

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"Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof" Leviticus 25:10



October, 2011

CALENDAR

- Oct. 18** – TFRW
Convention Registration
Deadline
- Oct. 20** – DOL General
Meeting
- Nov. 15** – Greater Houston
Council
- Nov. 17** – DOL Annual
Business Meeting
- Nov. 18-19** – TFRW
Convention in Fort Worth
- Dec. 6** – DOL Christmas
Party...featuring the
ELEPHANT PARADE &
AUCTION

Websites:

Greater Houston Council
of Federated Republican
Women:
www.ghcfrwpac.org

Texas Federated
Republican Women:
www.tfrw.org

National Federated
Republican Women:
www.nfrw.org

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We were honored to have Ambassador Meir Shlomo, Consul General of Israel to the Southwest, as the featured guest speaker at our September meeting. Following his talk, Bonnie Lugo read a resolution in support of Israel that was unanimously adopted when she presented it to the Harris County Executive Committee. A copy is included in this newsletter.

Many thanks to Peggye Jane Gibson, who donated profits totaling \$825 to DOL from last

month's jewelry sale. We appreciate you!

Our October 20 speaker will be James Olson, a former CIA operative who has a variety of intriguing stories to share from his new book, FAIR PLAY. He is sure to be very entertaining and informative as well.

SAVE THE DATE – DECEMBER 6. THE ELEPHANT PARADE IS ON ITS WAY. DON'T MISS IT!

Barlene Gardner

SPREAD THE RED!

Elephant Sightings in Houston:

It has been reported that a herd of Republican Elephants is headed to Houston just in time for the Daughter's of Liberty Republican Women Elephant Parade in December.

Elephants have already been spotted entering the offices of Governor Rick Perry, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, Attorney General Greg Abbott, Congressmen Michael McCaul, John Culberson, and Ted Poe as well as State Senators Joan Huffman and Dan Patrick. State Representatives Jim Murphy, Dwayne Bohac and Allen Fletcher are reported to be harboring elephants, secretly preparing them to make a spectacular appearance at the DOL Christmas Party and Elephant Parade.

LAST DAY TO REGISTER FOR TFRW CONVENTION IS OCT. 18

You still have time to plan to join us in Fort Worth for the TFRW Convention on November 18 and 19. Celebrate Texas and support the Texas Federation of Republican Women.

Email President@DaughtersOfLiberty.com if you would like to hear inspiring speakers, learn more about how to get involved in the political process and share good times with like-minded women from across the state.

2012 ELECTION OF OFFICERS AT NOV. 17 BUSINESS MEETING

Our annual November Business Meeting for members only will be held on November 17 at the home of Donna Baborich, 12 Dunnam Lane. This is a free meeting and a salad luncheon will be served. On the agenda is voting in the new slate of officers to be announced at the October meeting.

If you are interested in bidding on one of these beautiful elephants, stay tuned. Their pictures will appear on our website a week before our Elephant Parade and Christmas Party so you can choose the elephant of your dreams and be prepared to submit the winning bid.

All proceeds will support DOLPAC as we gear up for the 2012 elections. See you at the Christmas Party. (Elephants will not exceed desk, table or shelf size, honest.)

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PROPOSITIONS MADE EASY

The following article was researched and written by Theresa Kosmoski [Greater Houston Council Corresponding Secretary]. DOL appreciates and thanks Theresa very much for allowing the club to use the article explaining the following amendments:

“The ballot this November will include, among other things, ten constitutional amendments for your consideration. One of my all time “pet peeves” is ballot language that doesn't clearly explain what you are voting for, and this year is no exception. For that reason, I am going to try to “plain English” the propositions for you. If you vote “yes” to any of the propositions, this is what you are voting for:

Proposition 1 would let the Legislature give property tax exemptions on all or part of the market value of homes owned by *totally disabled veterans or their surviving spouses.*

Proposition 2 would let the Texas Water Development Board *issue more general obligation fund bonds - up to \$6 million - to pay for key needs.*

Proposition 3 would permit *general obligation bonds* to be issued to help finance student loans.

Proposition 4 would let the Legislature *give counties the ability to issue bonds or other funding* to pay for redeveloping blighted, underdeveloped or unproductive areas and *raise ad valorem taxes in those areas to help repay the debt. Can anyone say “County TIRZ”?*

Proposition 5 would give the Legislature authority to let cities and counties enter into interlocal contracts with other communities to consolidate various services and programs without requiring the communities to meet tax assessment and sinking fund (bond fund) requirements. Such “shared” buildings might include criminal justice buildings, animal shelters, etc. Currently the law prohibits comingling of funds or obligations between taxing agencies.

Proposition 6 would allow for more money to be transferred from the Permanent School Fund (the “PSF”) -- which helps finance Texas public schools but is not available to the legislature at their discretion -- to the Available School Fund, which is the pot of money the Legislature is allowed to draw from to spend on Texas schools. *In my opinion, the effect of this could be that it eases the legislature's burden to finance education, much the same way the lottery does. When more money is added to the pot from another fund the legislature has historically reduced the general fund obligation for that purpose, resulting in a “net zero” funding scenario, and in this case it might create a deficit situation.*

Proposition 7 would let *El Paso County* be included in the list of Texas counties that may create conservation and reclamation districts to develop recreational facilities and parks.

Proposition 8 would give Texans using *agricultural exemptions* more tools to manage their property by encouraging water quality improvement projects.

Proposition 9 would let the governor *grant a pardon to people* who successfully complete deferred adjudication community supervision.

Proposition 10 would revise the “resign to run” provision in Texas law, extending the length of time elected officials may serve in office once they announce their candidacy for another office. Some say this is to address the filing deadline that was bumped to December, from January. If the proposition is adopted, elected officials may announce plans to run for a different office one year and one month -- rather than just one year, as the law currently states, before their term ends -- without having to resign their post.”

MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to our new Full members
Lana Shadwick and Lisa Zook
and our new Associate Member
Robert "Bob" Van Pelt.

RECOGNITION OF THE NATION OF ISRAEL

Whereas, Israel has been granted her lands under and through the oldest recorded deed as reported in the Jewish Torah, also found in the Christians' Old Testament, a tome of scripture held sacred and revered by Jews and Christians, alike, as the acts and words of God; and



Whereas, God, the Grantor of said lands, gave the Jews their homeland and confirmed this throughout the Old Testament (Genesis 15:18-21 and reaffirmed in Genesis 28:13, Exodus 23:31, and Numbers 34:1-12); and

Whereas, God states in Genesis 17:7-8 that the land is an eternal promise and God has never rescinded his grant of said lands (Genesis 28:13-15); and

Whereas, those who oppose Israel's right to exist also seek to destroy the United States of America; while Israel, our democratic ally, shares many common interests, beliefs, and values of the American people; and

Whereas, in 2010, Texas exported over \$675 million worth of manufactured goods to Israel, whereby the total value of exports since 1996 exceeds \$9.9 billion; and Israel now ranks as Texas' 15th leading trade partner; and

Whereas, Israel ranks first in the world in patents for medical devices and is the world's largest manufacturer of generic drugs, and the Texas Medical Center and Israel are collaborating on several research projects; and

Whereas, the Israel Economic Office has joined with several Houston alternative energy and water companies, which will bring Israel's leading renewable energy and water companies to Houston; and

Whereas, Israel's Economic Office is in Houston, which is a subdivision of Israel's Ministry of Industry, Trade and Labor, and provides a direct association between the Houston business and financial industry with Israel; and

Whereas, Israel developed the original technology for AOL Instant Messaging, firewall software, flash drives, voice over IP, Intel Pentium chips, cell

phone answering mechanism, etc., and is collaborating with local Houston high-tech companies;

Be it resolved that the Harris County Republican Party, by this resolution, supports Israel's natural and God-given right of self-governance and self-defense, recognizing that Israel is neither an attacking force nor an occupier of the lands of others; and

Be it further resolved that the Harris County Republican Party, while we do not have any control over foreign policy in the United States, this resolution is a firm indictment of the President's current handling of Israeli affairs; and

Be it further resolved that the Harris County Republican Party, by this resolution; that the nation of Israel be recognized for its relations, contributions, and support, as an important ally of the United States of America and particularly the State Texas;

Finally, be it resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Governor of Texas, the Mayor of Houston, and the Houston-Israeli Consulate, to convey Harris County Republican Party's support of Israel.

Respectfully submitted by Bonnie Lugo, SREC SD13, Precinct Chair 0223



Bonnie Lugo and Ambassador Meir Shlomo

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DOL October Meeting

Former Spy – James Olson
Thursday, October 20
6:00 p.m.
at the
Houston Racquet Club
Be There!

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To steal what they are unwilling to work for; to harm or kill those we hold most dear without remorse or regret.

I TOO HAVE BUT ONE AGENDA:

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Jacqueline Lacci Smith

Judge, Harris County Civil Court-at-Law No. 2

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