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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I stand at the threshold of another new year, I look forward to 2017 with great anticipation and hopeful expectations. I am confident, finally, that our government is headed in the right direction with our President-Elect, Donald Trump. I am proud to say that The Metro Club, along with Republican women from LFRW and NFRW, worked hard and helped to win victory for the GOP!

However, before I walk through the door that leads to the year ahead, I want to reflect, just one more time, on the year I leave behind. Looking back at my first year as President of Metropolitan Republican Women, I am most grateful for our Executive Committee Members. So much was accomplished this year, due to their diligence and hard work. My sincere thanks go to each of you. I am also deeply appreciative to our Standing Committee Members, Active and Associate Members who attended meetings and participated in events. You all are the "heart" of Metro. Also, this year, we were blessed with fantastic speakers, whom I thank from the bottom of my heart, for enlightening us on all the critical issues of 2016.

Lastly, I want to wish each of you a very Blessed and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May 2017 bring you good health, good fortune, and keep your family, friends and loved one close.

See you in January 2017!!!

Constance Albert

DECEMBER ELECTIONS RESULTS

Congratulations to John Kennedy, who will be sworn in as our Republican Senator January 3rd, and to Ben Zahn who is the newly-elected Mayor of Kenner.

Metro members Pam Clower and Linda Vinsanau will attend the inauguration in Washington, DC January 20th.

METRO CLUB JANUARY MEETING AND INSTALLATION

The Metro Club January meeting and installation of our 2017 Officers will be held at the Metairie Country Club on Wednesday, January 11, 2017. Reservations are required. Please send your reservation card to Constance Albert.

METRO CLUB DECEMBER MEETING AND CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

The December Christmas Social meeting was held at Chateau Country Club on Dec. 7th. Guest Speaker was Wanda Aizpurua, Executive Vice President of Louisiana Federation of Republican Women. She read an original poem titled "The Night before the Election" (a parody of "The Night before Christmas") that put everyone in a happy, post-election Christmas spirit.

Guests, upon arrival, heard Christmas carols sung by The Fleur De Lis Quartet.



The Executive Committee donated door prizes for the guests. Metro Associate member John Treen picked the lucky door prize winners.

After lunch, everyone sang rounds of the song 'On the First Day of Christmas'. A festive time was enjoyed by all.



Seated: LFRW Executive VP Wanda Aizpurua, Linda Vinsanau, LFRW Region 6 VP Pat Cabral. Standing: Pam Clower and Nan Cornfield.

LITERACY PROJECT

Metro presented a check for \$200 to STAIR Site Director Linda Bergeron for our literacy project, **STAIR (Start the Adventure in Reading)**. The money was used to purchase books for the students to take home to start their own personal library. The students received books and presents at their annual Christmas party. STAIR students are pictured on the right enjoying Christmas treats



Check presentation (left to right):
Constance Albert, Brenda Higgins
& Linda Bergeron

NFRW MAMIE EISENHOWER PROJECT

Metro Club presented books selected from the Mamie Eisenhower Library Project list of books to Ms. Christi Rome Principal at Schneckenburger Elementary School in Kenner. Nine students from Schneckenburger are tutored by Metro Club members on Tuesdays & Thursdays during the school year as part of Metro Club's literacy project.



COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

Metro members generously donated comforters, blankets, and throws at our December meeting for the Veterans Transition Home as part of our Community Service Committee project. Committee Chairman Nancy Young coordinated the delivery which included individual toiletry baskets and a bible for each person living in the facility.

Nancy Young presented Bibles
to the veterans.



Metro members Nancy Young, Dick & Chris Cooper
and Linda Vinsanau delivered bedding items to the
veterans at the Veterans Transition Home on Napoleon
Avenue in New Orleans in time for Christmas.

METROPOLITAN REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Member of Louisiana Federation of Republican Women and National Federation of Republican Women

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP 2017

PLEASE PRINT

| | | |
|---|----------------|----------------------|
| Name (Mr.Mrs.Ms) | | Spouse |
| Address | | |
| City, State, Zip | New Member ___ | Returning Member ___ |
| Home Phone () | Cell Phone () | |
| PREFERRED CONTACT PHONE: H__ C__ AM__ PM__ | | Email |
| Are you a Registered Republican? Yes___ No___ <i>Applicant must be a Registered Republican.</i> | | |
| Are you a Full Member of another Republican Women's Club? Yes___ No___ Club_____ | | |

COMMITTEES OR INTERESTS

(Please check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Americanism Heritage/Chaplain | <input type="checkbox"/> Welcoming (Hospitality, Registration, Telephone) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Awards (Club, State, National) | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Campaign/Volunteer Activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership (Recruiting, Social Events) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cap Alert/Legislative | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Service/Caring For America | <u>Campaign Activities</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Literacy (Education, Children's Literacy, Scholarship) | <input type="checkbox"/> Clerical |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historian | <input type="checkbox"/> Door-to-Door |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Phone Bank |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Media(Website, Facebook, Computer) | <input type="checkbox"/> Yard Signs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Voter Registration/Party Change | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

ANNUAL DUES

(Please make checks payable to METRO CLUB)

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|---|-------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> ACTIVE | \$30 | Active Members are Full Members of METRO with voting privileges. Dues are paid to LFRW and NFRW on their behalf. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ASSOCIATE | \$20 | Associate members are non-voting members; this is offered to Members of another LFRW Club and to Republican Men . |

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