



President's Message March 2024

There is a very old saying credited to Pericles: "There are those who tear open long healed wounds, then complain when they bleed to death!"

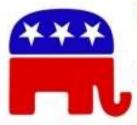
In my opinion this is where we are today with the accusations of racism. DEI is finally failing. It must fail in order to stop the bleeding!

A new saying from a Hallmark movie, Roadside Romance: "Trouble is transportation - A bad thing can lead you to a good place!" Hopefully, out of this trouble we come to a good place.

We need a good place! The national election in November can make the difference. People who love freedom and people who believe in the U. S. Constitution must join with Republicans to elect a president who stands with them and will fight for them defending freedom and our rights under our Constitution.

Republican Women can help be the glue that holds these groups together!

Stand Up, Speak Up, Show Up - Kellyanne Conway



## MANDEVILLE REPUBLICAN WOMEN



Beau Chene will begin charging an extra fee for all meals over the number MRW guarantees in our reservations. This cost must be paid by any person who did not make a reservation and just shows up for the meeting.

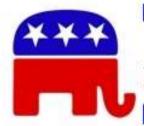
The price of lunch for all who made reservations and attends is \$33.

The price of lunch for all who come without a reservation is \$39.

Beau Chene reports that too many show up over the amount MRW guaranteed by reservations.

The remedy is: MAKE YOUR RESERVATION TIMELY TO AVOID THIS UP CHARGE!

If you are unable to attend after making a reservation, please cancel timely. If MRW guaranteed your reservation and therefore must pay Beau Chene, and you do not show up or cancel your reservation, you will be billed for the cost. MRW cannot pay for this charge.



## MANDEVILLE REPUBLICAN WOMEN



### Our March 2024 Speaker



Larry Frieman is a former member of the Louisiana House of Representatives, representing the 74th district. He served in office from January 13, 2020, to January 8, 2024. He was previously the head of the RPEC, and is currently serving as Chief Deputy Attorney General for Attorney General Liz Murrill.

The next MRW meeting will be Thursday March 7th at Beau Chene Country Club.



Social time begins at 11:00 a.m. with the meeting/lunch beginning at 11:30 a.m.

Reservation Deadline is February 29th -FIRM

Contact Linda Esquerre renlin92@bellsouth.net or 504-782-2920

NEW LUNCHEON PRICE: \$33.00 (\$39)

**Menu: Catfish Meniere Orleans and Chocolate Mousse** 



### **MARCH 2024 ELECTION**

While all elections are important, the upcoming one includes the special election for a new District Attorney. This election is vitally important, as are the several municipal elections that will be on the ballot.

### **Important dates:**

- The election will be held on March 23, 2024.
- Early voting dates are <u>March 9<sup>th</sup></u> through <u>March 16<sup>th</sup></u>.
- Mailed ballot must be requested by March 19<sup>th</sup> and returned by March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Please remind your family, friends, and acquaintances to learn about the candidates and the issues, and **VOTE!** 

### **AAAAAAAAAAA**

Newly-inaugurated Governor Jeff Landry has already issued several Executive Orders, including one specifically targeting illegal immigrants in Louisiana. It is titled, "Identifying, Quantifying, and Mitigating the Adverse Effects of Illegal Immigration on Louisiana.' The details of this order can be read online <a href="here">here</a>.

The legislature is currently in Special Session to deal with crime in Louisiana, especially in New Orleans.



## MRW Meeting Minutes February 1, 2024

- I. Linda Begue, President, called the meeting to order at 11:30 am. Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance was led by our Chaplain, Susie Baker.
- II. Linda Begue then welcomed everyone, and all guests introduced themselves. Linda's opening remarks centered around Republicans winning in 2024 and how we all must: Stand Up, Speak Up and Show Up!
- III. Michelle Pichon, 1<sup>st</sup> VP, introduced Mark Wright, Republican Delegation Chairman. Mr. Wright gave a brief description of what his duties and objectives will be. He touched on crime and how the Republicans will change things that the previous Governor implemented. He also mentioned the high cost of insurance and how it is affecting everyone and possible solutions that other states are trying. He also touched upon taxes. He assured us that all these topics are important to Governor Landry. He expressed how eager he is to Chair the Delegation and he looks forward to working with -everyone. He then took questions from the audience.

### IV. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

- Recording Secretary- Joyce Laporte January Minutes accepted and filed.
- 1st VP Michelle Pichon March Guest Speaker Larry Frieman, Chief Deputy Attorney General
- 2nd VP- Lynn Pablovich- 58 Active members, 13 Associate members.
- Treasurer- Dorothy Noriea YTD Financial Report, reported earnings from Christmas Party, and donations.
- Corr. Secretary Judy Hermann Thank you card sent to: Collin Sims,
   Thinking of You card to Susan Talamo, Get Well card to Jeannie Lorren,
   Sympathy card to family of Michelle Bruno.

### V. REPORTS OF CHAIRMEN:

• Political Ed: Suzanne Crow: Get out and encourage others to vote.

### VI. NEW BUSINESS

- The Board is working on plans to celebrate our 40th anniversary.
- We needed someone to take over as Photographer as Larry Saunders, whom we thank very much but has decided to hand it over to someone else. Our new member, Sharon Johnson, has volunteered and is eager to take over as Photographer.
- March elections: Linda encouraged everyone to get out and vote and encourage others to do the same.
- Linda Begue thanked Linda Marshall for donating 2 banana breads and the winners were: Ellie Schroeder and Sherleen Carter.
- The Board is looking into the possibility of finding another venue for our monthly meetings due to many complaints about food, and cost.

VII. 50/50 – The winner was Ellie Schroeder who generously donated proceeds back to MRW.

### VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Don't forget to make your reservation in a timely manner for the next meeting.
- Barbara Doyle is running for RPEC and would appreciate your vote.

President Begue adjourned the meeting at 1:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Joyce Laporte, Recording Secretary



### **Membership Report**

by Lynn Pablovich

We have 62 Active members and 16 Associate members as of February 15. I have listed our 2 NEW members below who have just joined. Please welcome them in to our group.

If you have not paid your annual dues for 2024 you should have received 2 reminder e-mails from me by now. You can mail a check (\$45 dues) to PO BOX 8831 Mandeville, La 70470-8831 or pay them at the March 7<sup>th</sup> luncheon. If you are renewing and your info is the same, I do not need another application from you. However, if there are changes, please print the application (included below in this newsletter) and mail with your check. I am working on the directory for this year so you need to get your check in ASAP if you want to be included along with any updates to information.

We want you to get involved and make this your club. Please look through this newsletter to find areas you are interested in: hospitality, campaigns, fundraising, etc. I know our president, Linda Begue, would love to talk to you about committees.

Please let me know if you are not receiving e-mails from LFRW and NFRW.

To learn more about the state and national Republican Women's Clubs of which you are a member, go to <u>LFRW</u> and <u>NFRW</u>.

Visit the <u>St Tammany Parish Republicans</u> website for info about elections and clubs and <u>MRW</u> on Facebook

Please welcome our 2024 New members:

**ACTIVES:** Casey Allen, Sharon Johnson

# **Photos from February 2024 Meeting**











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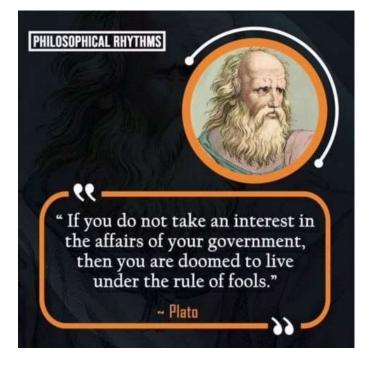






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## Please contact the appropriate Officer or Chairwoman with news, upcoming events, and/or questions.

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Please use the MRW Membership Application on the following page to join us.

Bring the completed form to the next MRW meeting or mail to the address shown on the form.

### MANDEVILLE REPUBLICAN WOMEN MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

MRW is a member of the Louisiana Federation of Rep. Women and the National Federation of Rep. Women

## \*You must be a registered Republican to join. Please Print

Are you a registered Republican?	Are you already a member of another LFRW/NFRW Club?		
Date of Application			
NAME	SPOUSE'S NAME		
HOME ADDRESS	CITYZIP		
HOME PHONE + AREA CODE	FAX		
CELL E-MAIL			
Do you want to be contacted mainly by phone or The newsletter is e-mailed to you each month.	r the e-mail above?		
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT	WORK PHONE		
INTERESTS & HOBBIES			
Date Paid: New Renewal TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP:	I		
ACTIVE (\$45 Jan - Dec) OR (\$30 Sept-Dec	only): Full member with membership in state & national federation included		
ASSOCIATE MEMBER (\$15) Associate men	mbers are members of another LFRW/NFRW club or a Republican man.		
METHOD OF PAYMENT: Check#:	Check Amount: CASH:		
PLEASE CHECK IF YOU ARE INTERESTED	IN SERVING ON AN AD-HOC COMMITTEE:		
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WAYS & MEANS ADD YOUR IDEAS_			
SPECIAL TALENTS/SKILLS (i.e., marketing, typin etc.)	ing, public speaking, writing, photography, creative arts, computer skills,		
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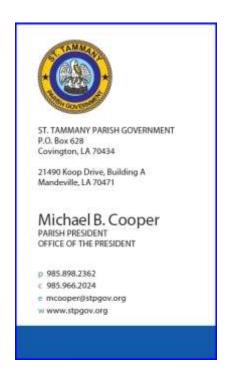
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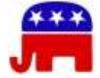
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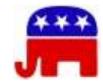
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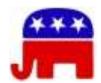




















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