



January 2018 Monthly Newsletter

RPWST January Meeting

Please join us at our next RPWST meeting on Wednesday, January 3rd at 6:30 PM at Benedict's Plantation, 1144 North Causeway Boulevard, Mandeville. Michelle Pichon will be present to graciously install our new officers. We will also have an open forum to discuss topics, speakers, and venues for our upcoming business meetings. We hope to see you all there as this is your opportunity to provide your input in making this year successful. Sign-in and cocktails (cash bar) begin at 6:30 pm. The business meeting and dinner (\$35 per person) will begin at 7:00 pm. Please RSVP to the evite or email Pam (pam@igreal.com) or Liz (esdidier@gmail.com). Hope to see you then and until then, Happy New Year!

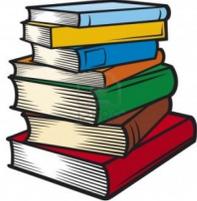
January 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		2	3 RPWST meeting Qualifying for March 24th municipal elections begins	4 MRW meeting & Parish Council meeting	5 Qualifying for March 24th municipal elections ends	6
7	8	9	10 NRMC meeting	11 Mandeville City Council meeting	12	13
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21	22	23 RPEC meeting	24	25 Mandeville City Council meeting	26	27
28	29	30	31			

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**THERE IS NO
FORCE
EQUAL TO
WOMEN
DETERMINED
TO RISE.**

This just in!

RPWST Literacy Outreach Program

Though the support of our members and their generous contributions to our newest outreach program, we have had the opportunity to provide school age children with some readings that will allow them to expand their knowledge beyond the classroom. It is with your help that we were able to purchase and donate the following books:

-*Crisis of Character: A White House Secret Service Officer Discloses His Firsthand Experience with Hillary, Bill, and How They Operate* by Gary J. Byrne.

-*My Grandfather's Son: A Memoir* by Clarence Thomas

-*Condoleezza Rice: A Memoir of My Extraordinary, Ordinary Family and Me* by Condoleezza Rice

-*Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass* by Frederick Douglass

-*Founders: The People Who Brought You a Nation (The New Press)* by Ray Raphael

-1776 by David McCullough

-*George Washington: A Life* by Woodrow Wilson

- *George Washington, Spymaster: How the Americans Outspied the British and Won the Revolutionary War* by Thomas B. Allen

-*The Life and Selected Writings of Thomas Jefferson: Including the Autobiography, The Declaration of Independence & His Public and Private Letters (Modern Library Classics)* by Thomas Jefferson

- *Thomas Jefferson and the Tripoli Pirates: The Forgotten War That Changed American History* by Brian Kilmeade

-*Clinton Cash: The Untold Story of How and Why Foreign overnments and Businesses Helped Make Bill and Hillary Rich* by Peter Schweizer

Thank you all for your generous contribution to such a noteworthy cause. We hope that this literacy outreach will continue to be important Republican Women community service program for years to come.



January Birthdays Happy Birthday to our very special members!

Joy Sutton	January 13
Samantha Goodwin	January 20
Donna Bonnoitt	January 31
Susan Strain	January 31



Due to our annual Christmas Party, we do not have December meeting minutes. However, we can reflect on our celebratory moments together this past year.



Empowering women through political education and through the support of Republican candidates for better government



Merry Christmas...



And Happy New Year!



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More information, more fun,
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2018 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

FULL MEMBER _____ \$35 /calendar year

ASSOCIATE: _____ \$15/calendar year

Club in which you are a full member _____

Paid by: Cash _____ Check Number: _____

(Please make check out "RPWST". Full Membership Dues include memberships to LFRW and NFRW)

DATE of Application: _____

BIRTHDAY (MONTH AND DATE) _____

NAME: _____

SPOUSE'S NAME, if applicable: _____

MAILING

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP _____

Were you recommended by an RPWST member? _____ YES _____ NO. If yes, members name: _____

PHONE and E-MAIL contact information:

HOME: _____

BUSINESS: _____

CELL: _____

E-MAIL: _____

AREAS OF INTEREST

_____ MEMBERSHIP

_____ HOSPITALITY

_____ FUND RAISING

_____ CAMPAIGN

_____ PUBLICITY

_____ VOTER REGISTRATION

_____ LEGISLATIVE

_____ EDUCATION

_____ COMMUNITY SERVICE'

_____ TEEN AGE REPUBLICANS

_____ AWARDS

_____ NEWSLETTER

OTHER _____

OFFICER: RPWST: _____

LFRW: _____

NFRW: _____

ELECTED OFFICIAL? Position: _____ Term: _____

If we publish a DIRECTORY, may we include all information on this page? _____ Yes _____ No, please exclude: _____

Additional / optional information for directory:

Profession: _____

Hobbies and interests: _____

Other: _____

**Do you need a nametag? _____ YES _____ NO

** If YES, print name as it should appear on nametag: _____

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This just in!

Jon Bel Is At It Again
Released December 22, 2017
John Ales (225-389-4495)



EMPOWERED

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Baton Rouge- Yesterday, Governor John Bel Edwards issued an ultimatum on calling a special session to address the state's looming fiscal cliff of the 2018-2019 budget. "We will only call that special session if there is an agreement in principle between myself and leadership as to how we will address the cliff," said Edwards.

"This Governor's appetite for spending is out of control, and now he is refusing to call a special session unless legislative leaders agree to his tax increases before the session even starts," said Roger Villere,

Chairman of the Republican Party of Louisiana.

"What is the point of electing our legislators if the governor seeks to force a handful of them to agree to his plan before a single committee hearing is held, or a single bill has been filed?" asked Villere.

"Many of our legislators would actually like to see a bill, have committee meetings and give the public an opportunity to comment on the governor's plan before they sign on to anything," said Villere.

"Once again, Governor

Edwards is hoping to sidestep the full legislature addressing how it wants to solve the fiscal cliff," said LAGOP Chairman, Roger Villere.

This is the second time in the last month that the Governor has attempted to circumvent the legislature. Just before Thanksgiving, Governor Edwards started proceedings to cut the legislature out of the process of approving a 23 month extension of \$15.4 Billion worth of medicaid contract extensions.

This year, BECOME INVOLVED. Join the LFRW.

Louisiana Federation of Republican Women (LFRW) welcomes you. By joining a local club, you can be a part of a group of over 2,000 Republican Women located throughout the State of Louisiana. And, you will be a member of our national organization, National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW).

LFRW has 40 clubs in communities across the state. Membership is open to all registered Republicans who believe in the principles of the Republican Party. To become an active member of a club, you must be a registered Republican 18 years or older. Dues at the local level vary depending on the Club. On our LFRW Home Page, you can locate a club in your area by going to the LFRW Clubs section on the left panel.

LFRW welcomes the formation of new clubs in any parish or community where presently there is no local club. If you are interested in starting a club where there is a need, the Region Vice President of the geographic area nearby your community will offer you assistance. Contact info@lfrw.org for more information.

Download your membership application at: <http://www.lfrw.com/membership.php>

It's all in the numbers: Women in the GOP



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<http://sttammanyrepublicans.org/republicanprofessionalwomenofsttammany.html>

Women in Elective Office 2017

In 2017, 105 women serve in the U.S. Congress. Twenty-one women serve in the Senate and 84 women in the house. The number of women in statewide elective executive posts is 74, and the proportion of women in state legislatures is 25.1 percent.

Percentages of Women in Elective Office



Year	U.S. Congress	Statewide Elective	State Legislatures	Year	U.S. Congress	Statewide Elective	State Legislatures
1971	3%	7%	N/A	1997	11.0%	25.4%	21.6%
1973	3%	8%	N/A	1999	12.1%	27.6%	22.4%
1975	4%	10%	8%	2001	13.6%	27.6%	22.4%
1977	4%	10%	9%	2003	13.6%	26.0%	22.4%
1979	3%	11%	10%	2005	15.0%	25.7%	22.4%
1981	4%	11%	12%	2007	16.1%	24.1%	23.5%
1983	4%	11%	13%	2009	16.8%	22.6%	24.3%
1985	5%	14%	15%	2011	16.8%	22.1%	23.7%
1987	5%	14%	16%	2012	16.8%	23.4%	23.7%
1989	5%	14%	16%	2013	18.5%	23.0%	24.2%
1991	6%	18%	18%	2014	18.7%	22.6%	24.3%
1993	10.1%	22.2%	20.5%	2015	19.4%	24.7%	24.6%
1995	10.3%	25.9%	20.6%	2016	19.6%	24.0%	24.5%
				2017	19.6%	23.7%	25.1%

Source: Center for American Women and Politics, Eagleton Institute of Politics, Rutgers University