



Membership

is a Lifestyle, not an Event!

IT'S APPROACHING FAST! What is? The Presidential Election (did you watch Senator McCain shine at the Civil Forum hosted by Rick Warren in August?). And let's not forget, the TFRW Membership deadline.

The TFRW Membership year ends October 31st. Any member submitted after the deadline is counted toward 2009. But what about now? What about September and October? Do you just wait and not recruit? **NO!!** Do you continue to encourage your members to recruit new members? **YES!!**

Be creative in recruiting as we race to the deadline. Most Club Boards have authority to spend up to a certain dollar amount without going to the general membership for approval; so go to your Board and suggest this idea, **offer a special**. For the months of September and October, offer 2008 dues at \$13.00 (the amount paid to TFRW and NFRW) as long as they pay the full dues for 2009. So if your dues are \$25.00, they would pay \$38.00 for the rest of 2008 and all of 2009. Not a bad deal for them and your

Club gets credit for both years for that one member. **For 2008 TFRW credit, submit Sep/Oct before October 31st; for 2009 TFRW credit, send again with first 2009 submission form.** Put on your thinking caps and come up with ways to recruit and reach our goal for this year and next.

If you have the paperwork for a member beyond the 1st of the month, then it is not fair to that member because unless TFRW has the paperwork, they are not a member of TFRW (or NFRW) even though they think they are a member. They do not receive the Texas Star or any of the information that makes them feel a part of our great organization. So please, make the 1st your deadline for submitting member names.

Yes, Clubs do listen! I love it when a plan comes together. For the past eight months (at Club meetings/Board meetings/Conference calls/Articles/Anywhere-anytime there is an opportunity), you have heard me over and over ask you to submit your new and renewed

members every month, even when you only have one name to send. It makes me proud of the following clubs for sending in their TFRW submission forms, several with only one member!

CONGRATULATIONS to the following Local Clubs for submitting new members since the last report:

★Alamo City RW ★Brush Country RW ★Central Texas RW ★Ellis County RW ★Fannin County RW
★Fort Worth RW ★Garland RW ★Kingwood Area RW ★Rockwall County RW ★RW of Yoakum
★Texas Tea Party RW ★Young County RW.

WELCOME AND CONGRATULATIONS to the following Local Clubs for having the vision to federate this year and help TFRW grow by 71 members: ★Kimble County RW ★North Texas RW ★Rusk County RW
★Sachse Area RW ★Sunnyvale RW.

All of us working together will build your Club, TFRW and the GOP. Please send your idea for Retaining and Gaining Members so we can share it with the other TFRW Local Clubs and let's all decide that...

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In August, the Wilson County RW invested in the growth of their club by having the TFRW Membership Presentation as their meeting program. These ladies are enthusiastic about building their club and making TFRW and the GOP even stronger.