

## **PATRONS**

A good way for our members to celebrate the coming holidays is to consider them not only for their traditional meanings to each of us, but as an added opportunity to reflect on the past year in a “Close Out of 2008” and “New Beginnings for 2009”. Any reflections for us as Patrons must begin with thanks and recognition to you all for the ongoing efforts and contributions of this dedicated and generous membership within our organization structure.

Patrons have been described as “A cog in the wheel of progress and sustenance in the continuing progress and development of the Texas Federation of Republican Women”. Throughout the year, we help TFRW in bringing educational tools, informative speakers and leadership seminars. Perhaps our most important assist just may be in maintaining affordable dues to support organizational growth. We also have fun and friendship working together in this and every effort.

Giving the federation that extra edge to be the best it can be, is our first priority. Patron events are underwritten, so expenses are kept at a very minimum. Perks are cost free and include invitations to and priority seating for TFRW Board meetings, Conventions, Legislative Day, and private Receptions with office holders and VIPs. As a Patron, your name badge and special pin, denote your significant contribution and assures easy recognition.

The time for joining or renewal is now, if you have not already done so. You can join with \$250.00 annually in one lump sum; two payments of \$125.00 each; or four payments of \$62.50, covering the January to December membership of the calendar year. TFRW recommends such a membership by a club to honor or reward a member as an appropriate “Thank You”. A club can earn bonus points for the John Tower Award by paying the Patron dues for the club President.

The 2009 New Year is approaching and the time is now for “Renewal, Rededication and Regeneration.” For your convenience, a membership form is included in this newsletter and available on our website at [www.tfrw.org](http://www.tfrw.org).

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