



TO TFRW Club Presidents
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FROM Theresa Kosmoski, President

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Mark Your Calendar

- August 16** Club credential forms for NFRW convention must be postmarked to NFRW and to State President
- August 15** Application deadline for scholarship and most awards
- August 17** The date by which the member's dues **MUST** be at the TFRW office for that member to be eligible for an delegate or alternate position
- September 1** Legacy Leadership Award deadline

President's Message



August is here, but no one that I know is taking these "dog days of summer" easy....the Texas Legislature is back at work, our clubs are already gearing up for fall, and we have two important conventions ahead of us.

Please be sure to join us October 19-21st for our 31st Biennial Convention in Dallas. We have all kinds of fun events, inspiring, and informative workshops planned. Not to mention all the elected officials, shopping, and festive events. Did I mention shopping??? Watch for the official call to go out in mid-August and register..... I hope to see you there!

Even before that, we will be sending an HUUUUGE delegation to Philadelphia in September for the NFRW Convention so that we can all cast our ballots for our own Immediate Past President Jody Rushton for NFRW PRESIDENT!!

The call for the NFRW Convention has gone out and if you've looked at the schedule then you've noticed that there will be a lot going on. Typically the official Awards Ceremony is just the NFRW President handing the State President a bundle with all of our State Achievement Awards and then we hold a special Texas reception at which we present the award certificates and pins to each club.

Plans are underway for that Texas reception, but it is likely we won't know the exact room number until we arrive in Philadelphia. I want to be sure that I can easily keep in touch with all of our Texas delegation easily, so I can keep everyone informed on when and where we need to be for all of the important things we have to do! One thing we always try to do is find a great place to take a photo of our entire delegation.

Here is how we will accomplish that:

- **First:** I need every club president to email me the name, email address, and cell phone number for the Delegate and Alternate for her club. Please put "GroupMe" in the subject line. You may also send me the information for any guests that are going from your club.
- **Second:** Every delegate, alternate, and guest needs to download the free **GroupMe** app for their phone.....it's available for iPhone, Android, and Windows. **GroupMe** is a private messaging app that lets me set up a private group so I can send out ONE message to ALL of our delegation with a single "send." *I use it regularly and love it.* <https://groupme.com/en-US/apps>
- **Third:** I will send each delegate, alternate, and guest an invitation to join a group I've created called, "TFRW at NFRW Convention." Accept the invitation, and you will be included in the group messaging. You will be able to reply, as well, but remember that everyone in the message group will see your reply. After the convention, I will delete the group.



President Kosmoski is delivered contributions from the audience for the Patriot Paws Project.



Club Presidents: Please do not forget that you must certify your delegate and alternate online with NFRW. If you have any trouble with the process, I can help - just email me.

The summer may be winding down, but our work is not. These last months of 2017 are going to be full of energy and fun, and I'm glad to be a part of all of it with you.

Theresa Kosmoski, President

TFRW 2017 CONVENTION

We Have a Seat for You

And Can't Wait to See You in Dallas!

What marvelous opportunities lie ahead for our convention attendees!

- We will be examining the future of our Party and formulating policy to address the future we are anticipating.
- We will hear from outstanding speakers who will enlighten and invigorate us.
- We will meet with local and state elected officials, exchanging opinions and creating bridges of understanding and support.
- Additionally, we will bond with other like-minded women, forming friendships and alliances that we will take with us once convention is done.

All this will be happening in the unsurpassed historic, cultural, and legendary setting of Dallas, Texas! Look for the Official Call on August 15, and register as soon as you can! Additional convention information can be found on the TFRW website at <http://www.tfrw.org/events/convention/>.

Don't forget, booth space is available for clubs that have fundraising items to sell or simply want to spotlight their activities.



Special Events Update

by First VP Special Events Julie Faubel
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TFRW Delegation's Signature Attire for NFRW Convention Available!

Delegates and Alternates Order Yours Today!

As has been the tradition for many years, TFRW's delegation to the National Federation of Republican Women's Biennial Convention has donned "signature attire" to stand out in the crowd. This year we are pleased to continue the tradition with our 2017 pins and scarves.



For 2017, the TFRW signature scarf features a stunning image of the Texas Capitol surrounded by a field of bluebonnets. This colorful rectangular scarf measures 26x72 inches and can be worn in unlimited ways!

The 2017 delegate and alternate pin is in the shape of our great state with the colors of our state flag serving as the background for TFRW's new logo. A clear "diamond" stone shines in the center of the logo's star. The pin is two inches and features the garment-friendly magnetic back. The identical trading pins are one inch and feature the same magnetic back.



To order, (click here) please complete the form and mail it along with your check to:
TFRW, 13740 N Highway 183, Suite J4, Austin TX 78750

The large pins will be mailed to you before the convention. The scarves and trading pins will be distributed at the Marriott Hotel in Philadelphia. Times and locations will be announced later. If you have any questions, please contact me.

We look forward to seeing you in Philadelphia!

TFRW 2017 CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Volunteers Needed for TFRW Convention

Chairs of each TFRW Convention Committee are requesting volunteer help NOW, so PLEASE use this link to **fill out a form**, and hit **Submit** when you have completed it. You will need to use the Google app, which is free. You will be giving us

- Your contact information,
- What you would like to do, and
- What special skills you may have.

We will even take your **MAYBE** at this point and confirm with you later. The need is now, so please click on the link now, and let us know you will help!

Here is the link that will take you to the form: <http://www.tfrw.org/2017-convention-volunteer/>



Texas Federation of Republican Women
 Biennial Convention in Dallas, Texas
 Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center
 October 19 - 21, 2017

SOUVENIR CONVENTION PROGRAM ADVERTISING

Please submit your **camera ready ad** to karynbrownlee@outlook.com. **All ads should be camera ready.** The artwork needs to be saved in CMYK format. Any black text should be a mixture of 60 (Cyan), 40 (Magenta), 40 (Yellow), and 100 (K, Black). Text that is 100% K will appear dull or grayish.

The **ABSOLUTE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT YOUR AD IS SEPTEMBER 1, 2017**. Ads submitted after that date will not be guaranteed space in the Souvenir Program. Please contact Karyn with any questions at karynbrownlee@outlook.com or call 972-743-6105.

Your support of the TFRW convention is greatly appreciated.

AD SIZE	IMAGE SIZE (w x h)	FULL COLOR	BLACK & WHITE
Full Page	8.5" X 11" 1/8" bleed	\$1750	\$1250
Half Page	8" X 5.5" 1/8" bleed	\$900	\$750
Quarter Page	4.25" X 5.5" 1/8" bleed	\$650	\$500

Please make checks payable to: TFRW Convention 2017 PAC

Mail your check to: 13740 N Highway 183, Suite J4
 Austin, TX 78750-1832

Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

AD SIZE: _____ AD PRICE: _____

Vendor Booth Yes _____ No _____ (if yes, please complete Vendor Booth Application Form)



Campaign Activities

by VP Campaign Activities Janis Holt
vpcampaignact@tfrw.org

2017 Candidate Development and Campaign Mgmt Training



2017 **CANDIDATE DEVELOPMENT & CAMPAIGN MGMT TRAINING**

Interested in running for office? Want to manage a campaign? Join us to learn valuable skills that will make your campaign successful, such as:

- Campaign Management
- Finance
- Compliance
- Outreach/GOTV
- Communications
- And Much More!

One-Day Schools will be hosted across Texas this summer. For more information, contact Jenny Griffin:
jennytrcca@gmail.com or 512-971-3614

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Finance Update

by VP Finance Karen Newton
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Best Laid Plans...

The best-laid plans of mice and men often go awry.

~Adapted, Robert Burns

A month after I was slated to become Vice President of Finance for the Texas Federation of Republican Women, the youngest Newton departed for college. I used to daydream about how I would spend my time after the children left the nest, and it was filled with thoughts of sleeping in, extended stays at the beach, and afternoons playing cards. My friends at TFRW had another vision for my 'retirement.'

Since Lubbock, there have not been a lot of lazy mornings. In January of 2016, a mere eighteen months ago, we hit the ground running. At Leadership Day, as a team, we purchased two new laptops for Elexis and Cindi when we passed the boot. The Scavenger Hunt, a new event, promoted team work, raised awareness of the Club Patron Program, and raised \$1,500.00.

Between January and May, days and nights were spent planning the Tribute to Women Luncheon in Dallas. We turned people away at the door after the 914th ticket was purchased, and the event netted over \$37,000. Personally, my greatest take away from that event was that I had the opportunity to call out and congratulate 153 outstanding members of our statewide organization.

Dreams of summer at the coast were interrupted by a Presidential election. Instead of soaking up the sun at the beach, we were all working feverishly to get a Republican in the White House. I took on the role as Co-Manager of the Trump National call center in San Antonio with the help from over 175 TFRW members. These dynamic women answered calls 1,000 calls a day and played an important role in getting Donald J. Trump elected.

November 11th instead of playing Friday afternoon cards (which I still have not been able to schedule), I visited Scholz Garten to go over the contract for Belles and Boots. Re-branding Belles and Boots, with consultations provided to me by District Director SD-14 Cassie Daniel and VP Legislation Michele Samuelson, was both fun and scary. The band, the food, and the fellowship helped raise over \$22,000 for our friends at Patriot Paws. The fund-raising did not end there; you all got us over the top at the luncheon, and we were able to hit our \$30,000 mark to pay for one dog for one veteran.

The position of VP Finance has been exciting and incredibly rewarding because I work with the most amazing women across the state of Texas, but it's not over! We still have a lot work to do between now and convention to ensure that two more veterans get their service dogs, and we continue to support our outstanding organization! So, call your elected officials, remind them that TFRW members give over one million hours a year to Republican causes, and without Republican women the state would look a whole lot bluer!

There will not be a lot of down time between now and October, but the plan is to drive to the coast on October 24th, sleep in, and play some cards on the deck!



Membership Update

by VP Membership Rhonda Lacy
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Hello, Wonderful Ladies of TFRW!

We are moving right along with our membership. We've just now crossed the 9,000 mark for members. HOWEVER, California is ahead of us by 1,400. Let's not let them beat us again. After all, TEXAS has the great opportunity to have our former TFRW President, Jody Rushton, slated as NFRW President and we need to show her that we are completely behind her. We NEED 2,000 more by the end of September to finish up 2017. California traditionally only turns in campaign volunteer hours in the hundreds of thousands. TFRW has turned in over TWO MILLION hours. Our membership numbers need to reflect our hard work, too.

Some important observations:

1. **Clubs are STILL HOLDING memberships. Please turn those in as soon as possible.** Your members are not receiving the benefit of TFRW and NFRW. Also, if your club's NFRW delegate is not shown as a TFRW member, then they are unable to register for the NFRW convention, nor the TFRW convention.
2. **Our TFRW Board has been challenged!** They will be working hard to bring in another 10 members for each board member. So, clubs, please encourage your own local members to help us by setting 'end of summer' membership goals and asking ALL of those great ladies in your area to come and join the most active Republican organization in the nation.
3. **STRONGLY CONSIDER dropping your membership dues to \$15 for the rest of this year.** NO, you won't be 'making money' for your club, but YES! You will be growing your club with membership, and these ladies will be ready to help us LOCALLY fight our opponents in our upcoming election cycle.
4. **HOLD ANOTHER CALLING PARTY!** Get together with your great gals. Brainstorm a new list of potential members. Call, text, email, Facebook, and stuff an envelope with an application and mail it. FOLLOW up a week later!
5. **Hold an AUGUST MEETING.** Have someone from your area who is keeping up with the Special Session's progress come and give you an update. Start asking the state office holders to make a visit to your club. You won't have to compete now with clubs asking those same elected officials later in the fall.

WHY should we do this? Ladies, we need as many ladies as possible to become a part of us NOW. You ALL know how hard the Dems are working to take our judgeships, our county offices, our school boards, not to mention our state offices. We need the largest delegation ever to attend TFRW's October Convention. Ladies, we can do this. Please join me in this endeavor.

THANK YOU, ONCE AGAIN!

BALLOT SECURITY

It's That Time of Year...

It is that time of year for the election of Nominating Committees and Officers for 2018; it would be wise to consult bylaws for any rules that would apply in your club. For example, who would tally the votes in the case of a contested election? If bylaws do not specify how the election would be handled, you might want to refer to the TFRW Bylaws for guidance. In any case, this should be discussed in a board meeting and planned in advance of the election.

Texas Federation of Republican Women Bylaws, Article XI - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 3. Election Committee: An Election Committee of not less than three members shall be appointed by the President at an Executive Committee meeting prior to the convention. This committee shall provide all election materials and shall act as tellers for the election.

Presidents need to be prepared for a contested election by bringing enough paper to use as ballots for any contested races. Before any voting takes place, an Elections Committee should be appointed, with one of those members being named chairman of the committee. The Elections Committee hands out ballots, counts the ballots, and reports the results to the President. (The ballots should be retained by the club president in case there is some type of inquiry as to the results.)

As a reminder, only active members can run for office and vote in your election. The chairman of the Elections Committee will have to carefully distribute ballots only to active members in attendance.

Alice Melancon

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

TFRW State Scholarship

TFRW wants to encourage and support our future female leaders in their pursuit of a college education, but the application deadline for the TFRW State Scholarship is fast approaching August 15th. If you know a college student, invite her to apply!

Club Leaders- Please take a look at your recent club scholarship recipients, and encourage them to apply for the TFRW scholarship, as well.

TFRW State Scholarship: The Texas Federation of Republican Women established its State Scholarship to provide financial assistance and support to women seeking undergraduate or graduate degrees. Applicants must have completed at least twelve hours of coursework at the undergraduate level. [Applications due August 15, 2017.](#)

Mail scholarship applications to:

Glynis Chester
14507 Pensham Drive
Frisco, Texas 75035

Applications must be postmarked by due date.

AWARDS CHAIR MICHELLE MARTIN

August is Here!!!

Get those awards submitted! **August 15th** is the deadline for the John Goodwin Tower Award, the Americanism Recognition Award, Best Newsletter Award, Most Improved Newsletter Award, Ten Outstanding Award, and the Kay Bailey Hutchison Award. The Legacy Leadership Award is due **September 1st**. I will again stress if electronic submission is not available, send your applications with delivery confirmation.

I am pleased Melody Briggs, Sheila Faske, and Debi Hays have all agreed to serve on the Awards Committee. These ladies and I will judge JGT awards with the help of other TFRW members of their choosing. They will judge submissions by clubs outside of their immediate area.

Then after all your hard work, I hope each of our clubs will be sending multiple delegates to the TFRW Convention in October to see your president(s) recognized!! Thank you to the few clubs who have already submitted their applications to me!!

Keep 'em coming!!

LEGACY LEADERSHIP AWARD

Legacy Leadership Award

We are searching for those TFRW members who have been active for at least 25 years and who have continued to show their support and loyalty for TFRW. These wonderful ladies are the foundation of our clubs, those who may have been a founding member, or at least a long-time member.

Each club may submit one name for consideration of this award. Prior to each biennial convention, there will be a committee established of three TFRW Past Presidents to review the applications and choose a winner. This year the committee consists of Jody Rushton, Carolyn Hodges, and Toni Anne Dashiell.

Criteria for the Legacy Leadership Award will rely heavily on TFRW steadfast commitment and continued loyalty to our organization. This is not an award specifically designed for elected officials – but for those who have spent many years leading quietly in their clubs, working in the trenches, helping candidates win elections.

Deadline for submission is September 1, 2017.

Email your submission to jody.rushton@aol.com and to pastpres@tfrw.org

"10 OUTSTANDING" AWARD

Attention, All Club Presidents and Awards Chairmen!

TFRW will honor ten outstanding women at the biennial state convention in Dallas, October 19-21, 2017. The special evening event will be held on Friday, October 20 at the Omni Dallas Hotel.

This prestigious award will be given to ten members of the Texas Federation of Republican Women's federated clubs; current elected officers of the Texas Federation of Republican Women and the National Federation of Republican Women are ineligible. A federated club may nominate only one woman, and she must be a member of that club. The nominee must not have previously received this award.

The deadline for submission of this award is Tuesday, August 15, 2017. The instructions for completion of the application and the application itself are found on the TFRW website. Members will need to log in, then select "Documents and Forms" then "Awards and Scholarships." Scroll down to "10 Outstanding."

If there are any questions, please contact "10 Outstanding" Chair Carolyn Hodges, chodges@hodgessw.com or 713-443-4239.



TEXAS FEDERATION
of
Republican Women

Kay Bailey Hutchison Leadership Award 2017

TFRW will recognize one exceptional woman at the biennial state convention in Dallas this October with the Kay Bailey Hutchison Leadership Award. The nominees should be “trailblazers” in Texas Republican Women’s politics who have shown extraordinary abilities. The purpose of this award is to celebrate Texas Republican Women who have served in elected office, and in so doing, to honor former U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison. This award is open to all Texas Federation of Republican Women club members who are current or former elected Republican officials, except the current elected officers of the National and State Federations. A club may nominate only one woman. She need not be a member of the club making the nomination. The Kay Bailey Hutchison Leadership Award Committee is appointed by the TFRW President and shall consider the accomplishments of the nominees in the following categories:

- Public Office Activities
- Republican Party Activities
- Federation Activities
- Community Activities

Applications are **due on or before Tuesday, August 15, 2017**. The application can be found on the **TFRW website under "Documents and Forms" then "Awards and Scholarships."** Mail, email, or fill in forms online:

Cindy Clendenen
Kay Bailey Hutchison Leadership Award Chair
5127 Stanford Avenue
Dallas, Texas 75209
cindy@riopetroitd.com
214.356.7823

The following must be included with the application:

- Jpeg color head shot of nominee
- A typed, double-spaced, one page essay explaining why your nominee should receive the KBH Leadership Award

The committee will not accept letters of personal recommendation.
The committee will not award posthumously.



Legacy Leadership Award Application

TFRW 2017 Convention

Deadline September 1, 2017

Name of Honoree _____

Honoree Contact Information:

Phone (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Home Address _____

Club Submitting Honoree _____

Year Club was Federated _____

Club President Name _____

Phone (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

(Email) _____

Home Address _____

Honoree Club Experience:

Years Active in TFRW _____

Club Positions Held: (May be included on attached paper)

TFRW Board Positions Held: (May be included on attached paper)

Please attach additional information (up to 3 additional pages) describing Honoree's club participation, special events, community outreach, and other activities which highlight the Honoree's continuing commitment to TFRW. Please include at least one picture of Honoree (limit pictures to one page).

Applications should be sent electronically to Jody Rushton
pastpres@tfrw.org and jody.rushton@aol.com

******Deadline September 1, 2017******

To be awarded at TFRW 2017 Convention in Dallas, TX
Legacy Leadership Award will not be given posthumously

THE MOST IMPROVED NEWSLETTER AND THE BEST NEWSLETTER AWARDS

Has your club updated your newsletter??



The awards criteria for content that your newsletter must include has been updated for 2016-2017!



The updated forms for the “Most Improved Newsletter Award” and the “Best Newsletter Award” are on the TFRW website for your newsletter editor to download and review. **They are due on August 15, 2017! They must be hard copy!**



The Best Newsletter Award and the Most Improved Newsletter Award Applications had new 2016-2017 awards criteria added in early 2016. *Your newsletter award application must include the updated changes in your newsletter to be considered for an award!*



Both forms have ALL of the required information for content listed on the award forms.

- These are found under **Content Requirements in each** 2016-2017 Newsletter.
- There are **additional Content Requirements in (4) four** 2016-2017 Newsletters.



The 2016-2017 required content that must be included in your club newsletter:

- Name of Club above, below, or in the masthead
- TFRW Region Number
- TFRW Senate District Number
- Month/Quarter and Year of Publication

Remember that each club must submit hardcopies of two club newsletters from 2016 and two club newsletters from 2017 when you submit your award application.

Every club regardless of its size should consider sending in their newsletter for the awards!

All new clubs federated after August 1, 2016, should apply for the “Most Improved Newsletter.”

AMERICANISM CO-CHAIRMEN JEANNEE O'NEILL AND JUNE RENTMEESTER**Americanism August–September**

Do the words *Boston Massacre*, *Liberty Bell*, and *Pearl Harbor* bring back memories of grade school history? Hopefully, the following paragraphs will reveal new and unusual incidents pertaining to the above events.

Boston Massacre

King George III of England began to devise ways to tax the colonists in the New World. The Stamp Act and the Townsend Act were met with great displeasure by the colonists and were regarded as “taxation without representation.” The King began to send more and more troops to quell the unrest by the citizens and “The Sons of Liberty.” One snowy day in March of 1770, a group of patriots assembled in front of the Customs House and began throwing snowballs and other objects at the reinforcements. British Captain Montgomery ordered his men to fix bayonets. When Private Montgomery was hit with a snowball, he discharged his rifle into the crowd. The rest of the soldiers followed his actions, and when the smoke cleared, five colonists were dead, and three more were injured. These colonists who gave up their lives, were regarded by historians as the first fatalities in the Americans bid for liberty and freedom. On December 16 of 1773, the “Boston Tea Party” made its position clear in the Boston Harbor. In April of 1775, Paul Revere and William Dawes made their famous ride to warn the Americans of the approaching British “Red Coats.” This was the beginning of the American Revolutionary War at the battle of Lexington and Concord. That was the “shot heard around the world.”

The Liberty Bell

The Liberty Bell is a symbol of American independence and is housed at Independence National Historical Park at Liberty Bell Center in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (spelled Pennsylvania in old documents) on Independence Mall. It was cast in 1753 and inscribed at the top with a biblical verse from Leviticus: “Proclaim liberty throughout the Land unto all the inhabitants thereof.” There are various versions how and when the crack appeared. The bell was last rung in commemoration of President Washington’s birthday in February of 1846, and it received a compound fracture. It did not ring again until it went on tour on June 14, 1917 (Flag Day). Now fast forward to April 1917 when the U.S. needed money to support the European war effort. The Treasury Department had undertaken a \$2 billion war-bond drive with little success. President Woodrow Wilson needed to gain support and rekindle loyalty to the U.S.A. On Flag Day, the Mayor of Philadelphia approached the train where the Liberty Bell was mounted and this began the excursion by the Liberty Special. It made 275 stops across America, and it empowered America to change the world.

Pearl Harbor

“A day of Infamy” as stated by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. A new radar system was being tested on the Northern edge of Oahu, Hawaii, by two privates in the U.S. Army. They saw a long streak instead of mere blip on the oscilloscope screen, and this turned out to be the Japanese armada assembled by the Imperial Japanese Navy led by Admiral Yamamoto. They cruised undetected within striking distance of Pearl Harbor with radio silence which was only broken by Captain Fuchida when he shouted, “Tora! Tora! Tora!” (Tiger) above Pearl Harbor itself. The message from the radar operator to the officer in charge was delayed, and an encrypted communication warning from Washington, DC, was also delayed. Pearl Harbor was unprepared for the six aircraft carriers and 474 planes that made up the attack.

Let us not forget 9/11 and flying our flag at half-staff until sundown.

Americanism Award is due August 15th!!!

June Rentmeester, 440 Independence Park Way #2129, Plano, Texas 75075
johnren1936@gmail.com



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT CHAIR MARY MAYO

Champion of Freedom Award Presentation and Luncheon

The Texas Federation of Republican Women Champion of Freedom Event and Luncheon was held July 13, 2017, at the prestigious Austin Club in Austin, Texas. Many thanks, to all who attended and for your continuous and generous support of this project.

The TFRW Committee Members for the 2017 Champion of Freedom award presentation and luncheon: Chairman Mary Mayo, Julie Faubel, Pat Fee, Sylvia Gartner, and Theresa Kosmoski.

The Champion of Freedom Award is awarded by the Texas Federation of Republican Women every two years to someone who acts as a catalyst to bring people together in a community of political diversity and who has made a significant contribution toward protecting or expanding United States citizens' freedom.

The recipient of the 2017 Champion of Freedom Award is Lori Stevens, Founder and Executive Director of Patriot Paws, and the first woman to receive this award.

She exemplifies our Republican values – as to small government and limited intrusion of the same, by embracing the sanctity and the empowerment of the individual. She has provided a path of independence not only for our veterans who have sacrificed for our freedom, but also enabled the individuals involved to enhance their sense of self-sufficiency – from the veterans to have more mobility—to the inmates who have become puppy raisers – to the dogs who find permanent loving homes and a job—all of those involved, by their self-sufficiency through freedom from the “dependence” upon government. She has also brought our pride in patriotism up to the front again by providing a forum for all citizens to be a part of showing our appreciation to our veterans and love for our country.

As an advocate for Republicanism by principled leadership, she personifies the motto of TFRW—We Make It Happen! She saw the tremendous request for providing service dogs for our protectors of freedom – our veterans - and made it happen. Lori Stevens is a Champion for Freedom in Texas and throughout the United States.

PATRIOT PAWS

Please send all funds marked with your club's name on the memo line and “TFRW dog” to:

Patriot Paws
254 Ranch Trail
Rockwall, Texas 75032

Remember, individuals may donate for the TFRW dog, and the donation is tax-deductible, if she makes a check out to Patriot Paws. The contest will run through October 1, 2017, and the winning club will be announced at our state convention in Dallas. If you are interested in having a demonstration or program at a club meeting, please contact either:

Patriot Paws
972-772-3282

Jill Tate
214-354-9443
Jill@tate-usa.com

For more information: <http://www.patriotpaws.org>

2017 Champion of Freedom Award Presentation and Luncheon



President Kosmoski with Lori Stevens and Jazz



Lori Stevens, Founder and Executive Director of Patriot Paws



Patriot Paws Service Dogs, Veteran Bob Green, and Lori Stevens



Senator Kelly Hancock and Champion of Freedom Committee Chair Mary Mayo



Patriot Paws Service Dogs



Mary Mayo, Lori Stevens wearing the Traditional Red Jacket, and President Kosmoski



PATRIOTPAWS
SERVICE DOGS



2016-2017 ELECTED OFFICERS

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