I would like to take this opportunity for my first message to thank all our Board members for their outstanding dedication and hard work. Our goal is to promote conservative values with informative speakers, and support education through the Dictionary Project, Scholarship Program, and Barbara Bush Literacy Library Project (BBLLP). This year the Board approved to provide pocket Constitutions to all 8th graders and provide “Now you are 18” and “Liberty Day” booklets and pocket Constitutions to all Seniors in the county.

As special mention, Sherrie Tolbert, Donna Barr, and Rita Dernehl prepared and submitted an Action Plan to form a Young Republican group in the county. Sherrie is working tirelessly organizing and coordinating a county-wide process for educating and engaging students in the political process. The Board approved enlisting the Flatonia Young Republicans to put together the FCRW Directory for 2019.

Our General Meetings are normally scheduled on the third Thursday of the month. Please plan on attending and meet these remarkable women and hear our informative speakers. Help us to spread the conservative message, it will take every one of us to keep Fayette County Red in the 2020 elections. So, come and get informed about a variety of subjects that affect your voting knowledge and share with your friends and neighbors. The April meeting was moved up by one week due to the Easter holiday. The meeting is scheduled for April 11th at 6:30pm, at LaGrange City Hall, and our guest speaker will be Judge Jeff Steinhauer. Hope to see you there.

Thank you for your continued support of FCRW.

God Bless the USA, God bless Texas, and God Bless and keep strong our President Donald Trump.

Barbara Appelt

Recapping our 1st Quarter Monthly Meetings

Jan. 17 – We met at LG city hall. Our speaker was Nick Adams, author and the founder of FLAG, The Foundation for Liberty and American Greatness. A legal immigrant from Australia, Nick spoke of his determination and struggles to become an American citizen. His love of America and his sincere belief in America’s exceptionalism, is truly inspirational. He was joined by his wife, Sadie, who manages FLAG’s educational materials and programs.

Feb. 21 – Our meeting was held at LG city hall. Our speaker, HD13 State Representative Ben Leman, shared information on several of the 14 bills he had filed. He has been assigned to four committees: Land & Resource Managements (includes MUD districts); Transportation; Redistricting (a 2-session commitment); and Republican Caucus Policy Review. These are all important committees and we are fortunate to have Rep. Leman representing the rural counties in HD13.

Mar. 21 – The meeting took place at Robert’s Steakhouse in Flatonia. Our speaker was Dave Derrick, Fayette County Farm Bureau President. He spoke about eminent domain and how it could affect any property owner in rural counties such as ours.

NEXT MEETING: Apr. 11, 6:30 PM at La Grange City Hall council chambers, 155 E. Colorado. Speaker: 155th District Court Judge Jeff Steinhauer.
New FCRW Literacy Chair Expands Educational Projects

Introducing our new Literacy Chair, Sherrie Tolbert. Although relatively new to FCRW, Sherrie jumped right in and volunteered to take over the Literacy responsibilities from Barbara Appelt, now FCRW President. Barbara did an outstanding job as FCRW’s Literacy Chair for many years. In addition to managing the two major literacy programs FCRW supports each year – the Barbara Bush Library Project in the spring, and our Dictionary project in the fall - Sherrie is going to expand our educational activities. With help from FCRW VP Donna Barr and Rita Dernehl, Sherrie researched and will be sponsoring a Young Republicans club open to high school students throughout Fayette County. She will also coordinate the purchase and distribution of pocket constitutions and the booklet “Now You Are 18” to all seniors in Fayette County, towards the end of this school year. Our sincere thanks to Sherrie for stepping up to serve as Literacy Chair. We love her dedication to education and her enthusiasm for FCRW. Sherrie will certainly help FCRW fulfill our motto: “Influencing Texans Through Education”.

Best-Seller Author NICK ADAMS Speaks at FCRW January Meeting

Nick Adams is the most sincere, enthusiastic supporter of American liberties and exceptionalism that I have ever met. Nick is a best-selling author, columnist and commentator. He also currently serves as a surrogate for the White House. Nick has appeared on virtually every major television and radio program in the U.S., and his work has appeared in newspapers around the world. He has written four books, two of which have been designated as “Must Read” by President Trump. Nick Adams is also the founder of FLAG, The Foundation for Liberty and American Greatness. FLAG is a non-profit organization dedicated to educating American students about the values and principles that make our nation exceptional. To achieve this mission, FLAG promotes and provides high-quality civics education to K-12 students across the country. Their goal is to impact American culture in a way that preserves our exceptional American value system for generations to come.

Since the inception of FLAG, the organization has been featured on national television over 100 times with Nick making numerous appearances on Fox & Friends, Your World with Neil Cavuto, Lou Dobbs Tonight, Making Money with Charles Payne, and a variety of other top-rate programs. FLAG is the media’s go-to organization for pro-America perspective. Learn more at: www.flagusa.org
January 12, several board members kicked the year off with a road trip to Port Lavaca to attend the Senate District 18 meeting. L-R: LaMorris Thompson, Deborah Frank, Kimberley Rutledge, Cindy Rodibaugh and Barbara Appelt

February 22 – 23 the fun continued with an overnight road trip to Salado to attend TFRW “Nuts & Bolts” training. Leaving that Friday afternoon were Kimberley Rutledge, Deborah Frank, Barbara Appelt, Rita Dernehl, and Carole Bourlon. Most of us stayed at the Stagecoach Inn the night before Saturday’s training. We had a great time sharing our “life experiences” and getting to know each other better. The training included information on PAC finances, reporting, and campaign activities; Parliamentary pointers; Fundraising tips, and Delegating. It was an enjoyable and educational trip.

February 13 – 14, Deborah and Kimberley returned to Austin. This time for TRCCA training which focused on Texas Legislature On-Line. The 2-day event included a reception with Gov. Abbott, Lt. Gov. Patrick, House Speaker Bonnen, Rep. Ben Leman (top picture), just to name a few. SD18 chairs and their guests were invited to have breakfast with Senator Lois Kolkhorst. (bottom picture)

In March, Barbara Appelt began presentations of Nick Adams’ three illustrated, kid-friendly books, The Declaration of Independence, The Federalist Papers, and The Constitution, to the Junior High Schools in Fayette county. She started with Schulenburg Jr. High. Sherrie Tolbert will present to Flatonia Middle School. Barbara will present to the three remaining schools. Pictured below, at Schulenburg Junior High, are (L-R): 7th Grade History teacher Melissa Zapalac, Barbara, students, and Middle School Principal Callene Zapalac. They were all excited about the books being written in plain English, making them easy to understand. They thanked FCRW on their Facebook page.
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