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February 2017

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Feb. 3rd – SARW Board Meeting (10 am, Library)
- Feb. 3rd – Pints & Politics (6 pm, Dead Fish Grill, Lake Belton)
- Feb 7th – Bell Co. Young Republicans Mtg. (7 pm, Republican Party of Bell Co. HQ)
- Feb 17th – CTRW Fundraiser – Dessert Extravaganza (7 pm, Wildflower Country Club, Temple)
- Feb 23rd – SARW Meeting (11:30, Salado Civic Center)
- Feb 25th - TFRW Regional Conference (9 am to 2 pm, Salado Civic Center)
- March 3rd – SARW Board Meeting (10 am, Library)
- March 3rd – Pints & Politics (6 pm, Dead Fish Grill, Lake Belton)
- March 23rd - SARW Fine China Luncheon (11:30, Tenroc Ranch, Salado)
(Board of Directors and Chairmen listed at end of newsletter with contact information)

SARW Technology Committee announces the new SARW Website is 'Live' and ready for business. You may access the website by going to the following:

<http://www.saladoarearw.com>

CONGRATULATIONS to the Technology Committee headed by Michele Melsha for creating our website. Other committee members: Barbara Swarthout, Ann Moore and Deborah Roberson.

SARW GENERAL MEETING, FEB. 23RD:

Our February meeting will be a great opportunity to find out more about what many of our returning soldiers are suffering with: PTSD. Chaplain David W. Archer has been diligently working to assist and care for these soldiers who suffer PTSD. He will share how he helps these men and women deal with PTSD through critical incident stress debriefing and management of PTSD. Please join us on February 23 at 11:30 a.m. at the Salado Civic Center. You won't want to miss this enlightening and educational program. **Please RSVP by February 20 to Barb Swarthout at bswarthout@mygrande.net or via phone at 414-491-2341.** We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Our luncheon menu will be in honor of February's **Heart Healthy theme**. The SARW Board members will be providing an array of healthy luncheon choices to help celebrate heart healthy month.



CTRW FEBRUARY MEETING, FEB. 17TH:

This is a social event to attract new members, visit with old members and raise money for our upcoming events. Dessert, Karaoke, Auction, Dancing, Door Prizes, Ice Cream Bar, Chocolate Fountains with fruit, Cash Bar, and more..... Bring your sweet tooth!!!!

“Republican Women are the Life of the Party!”

Wildflower Country Club at 7 pm

Cost is \$25.00 per person.

RSVP by Friday, February 14th at [254-231-5371](tel:254-231-5371) or ctrwpac@gmail.com



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PRESIDENT'S PEN - Deborah Roberson

SARW's annual Fundraiser, the Fine China Luncheon, is scheduled for March 23, 2017, 11:30 am, at Tenroc Blue Heron Room. We are delighted to announce that the featured speaker is the **First Lady of Texas, Cecilia Abbott**. We anticipate a large crowd and encourage you to purchase your tickets early. You may find additional information on how to purchase tickets or host a table by referring to the Fine China article on page 3 in the newsletter or by going to our website <http://saladoarearw.com>

We need you! SARW thanks those who have renewed for 2017. If you have not yet done so, I urge you to renew this month. New members are always welcome and we hope to interest you in our monthly programs as well as our community activities. Please use the membership form at the end of the newsletter to renew your membership or to become a new member. We welcome YOU!

To quote the words of TFRW President, Theresa Kosmoski, "we cannot rest on our laurels." There is still much work to be done and each of us can contribute our time and energy to ensure that Texas stays **RED**. Many of you know the Democrats have a target on Texas. That did not happen in the general election but they will continue to pour excessive amounts of money into their attempt to turn Texas Blue. Governor Greg Abbott is their main target in the next round of elections. We must dedicate ourselves to "**Keeping Texas RED!**" Republican Women (and Men) can do it!

Conservatively yours and God Bless America!
Deborah

SAFETY IN HIM

CHAPLAIN'S COLUMN – Bobi Anderson

Psalm 91:1-2, 15 Live under the protection of God Most High and stay in the shadow of God All-Powerful. Then you will say to the Lord, "You are my fortress, my place of safety; you are my God, and I trust you." When you are in trouble, call out to me. I will answer

God tells us in clear language that He is safety and if we call out to him, he will answer us. What a precious promise from the Old Testament. But these verses also tell us that we will get into trouble. The most remarkable part is that even God knows we will stumble and fall, he, who is all powerful, will hear us. Whatever happens, nothing will hurt the believer, though trouble and affliction are surely going to happen, it will come for good, although at the moment it may not be pleasant, but miserable. Those who know God, will set their hopes and dreams on him and through prayer constantly call upon him, because his promise is that he will in time deliver the believer out of trouble, and in the meantime, He will be right beside his child who is in trouble.

For encouragement in this we look to Jesus. After all, as Paul said in I Corinthians 14:32: "God is not the author of confusion, but of peace" and in Hebrews 12:2 Jesus is the "Author and Finisher of our faith", which means that we should place all their hope and confidence in Christ, as our sole helper in our walks of faith. Then when in faith we "call out" to God, we can be secure in the knowledge that he will answer.

How does the love of God manifest itself? Through the love of man.
To find peace on earth, we must practice love first.



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2ND VP – MEMBERSHIP, Jeanie K. Grant

The attendance at our January luncheon meeting was impressive. We were happy to have several guests join as new members. Welcome to all! We are growing!

We still have members who have not renewed for 2017. We would love to hear from you soon. Please invite your friends, we have an interesting program for February and we always enjoy good fellowship together. See you there! If you have questions, don't hesitate to call me, Jeanie K. Grant, [979-229-5590](tel:979-229-5590) or email jeaniekgrant@gmail.com.



FINE CHINA LUNCHEON, 3RD VP – FUNDRAISERS, Barclay McCort

Do you have March 23rd on your calendar? We are expecting an extravaganza in epic portions for our 11th Annual Fine China Luncheon. First Lady of Texas Cecilia Abbott will be our keynote speaker. We have moved the event to the Blue Heron Center at Tenroc to accommodate the crowd we are expecting. Dave Hermann is catering the luncheon. We already have 30 table hosts/hostesses but a few empty tables are left in case you would like to host a table. The sponsors are expected to decorate a table but are not obligated to sell tickets for the entire table but have first priority in how many seats they want to reserve for their friends. Tickets are \$30. We are always amazed at the ingenuity of the ladies who decorate the gorgeous tables. Information about sponsoring a table or for ticket information contact Barclay McCort, Committee Chair, at barclaymccort@gmail.com or 254-947-3617. Proceeds from all SARW sponsored projects fund civic, educational, military support, and political campaigns.

BELL COUNTY YOUNG REPUBLICANS MEETING – FEB. 7TH

The Bell County Young Republicans will be holding an executive committee election at 7:00 P.M. on February 7th in the Republican Party of Bell County headquarters. In order to become a candidate, or vote, in the upcoming election, you must be a 2016-2017 dues paying member of the Bell County Young Republicans between the ages of 18 and 40 who is registered to vote in Bell County. Anyone meeting these qualifications will be welcome to participate.

District 10 State Board of Education Member Tom Maynard will be our honored speaker for the evening. Mr. Maynard will be discussing the role and objectives of the state education board. Please join us.

As president, my father will change the labor laws that were put into place at a time when women were not a significant portion of the work force. And he will focus on making quality child care affordable and accessible for all (and we hope he sticks to that promise. Ed.)

Ivanka Trump



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BELL COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY

Nancy Boston, Chairman (*Phone: (254)760-8155*)

What we do in the days ahead is even more important than what we did in the days leading up to the 2016 Election. We must not allow the liberal media to discourage our progress by their constant divisive rhetoric. Our show of support for this Administration is paramount to the success of our Constitutional Republic and the survival of the free enterprise system. Our system of government has created the most successful country with the highest standard of living unequaled in history. I can't help but believe that Divine Intervention prevailed.

The Annual Dinner and Auction of the Bell County Republican Party will be held on a Monday evening in June.

REPUBLICAN PARTY OF BELL COUNTY

206 FM 1237, TROY, TX 76571 (IH35 Exit 306)

Phone: (254) 228-0521 – belltxgop@att.net



SAVE THE DATE!!

TFRW Region XI Workshop for SD 24 & SD 22

Date: Saturday, February 25, 2017

Location: Salado Civic Center

More information will be provided in January.

All clubs in SD 24 & SD 22 will be invited.

Please plan to attend!

Thanks,

Gail Teegarden, TFRW Region XI Deputy President

Zenia Warren, TFRW District Director SD 24

Merryl Jones, TFRW District Director SD 22

Congratulations! to Marjorie Hairston on being named the Salado Chamber of Commerce 2017 Ambassador of the Year for her volunteer service at the Visitor Center. Marjorie also serves as the SARW Secretary. Thank you for your dedication to the Salado community.



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WHY DO WE RECEIVE AWARDS? By Shirley Stephenson, Awards Chair

We, as active hardworking Republican men and women, are part of that group who desire to make their country, their state, and their county a better place to live, to raise a family, start a business and to be a part of something bigger than themselves. With that hard work comes recognition for our local Republican Women's clubs with awards at the local level, the state level, and national level.

In 2017 our Republican Women's clubs rev up their membership to renew early and to bring in new members, so we can get them involved, tell the new members who SARW, TFRW, and NFRW are! Show them how fun and exciting it is to be a member of a recognized and thriving political organization right in your county!

In 2017, plan to attend Legislative Day on April 6th and the TFRW Convention on October 18-21st. Points are given if our club helps with registration fees and /or expenses for delegates. Plan to attend and encourage new members to attend these state functions as a way to learn and grow within your club.

The election may be over, but our work isn't. Keep track of your volunteer hours for your Campaign Activities Chair and stay current and involved with your club's leadership as we wind up the 2016-2017 awards year this summer. Check and recheck to make sure each of our committees are meeting their goals for our final awards i.e. Club Achievement Award and John Goodwin Tower Award of Excellence. These awards highlight our political leadership, community involvement, and how hard we work as a women's organization to help elect our nation's leaders.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Ellen Staples, Legislative Chair

January 10, 2017 marked the beginning of the Texas 85th Legislative Session. The session is off to a record pace with over two thousand bills introduced. Probably the topic you are hearing the most about this past week is School Choice. Some of you may have seen the School Choice Rally on the steps of the Texas Capitol in which Lt. Governor, Dan Patrick, joined other lawmakers as well as many Texans. Lt. Governor addressed the group telling them "I believe every child in Texas should have access to a high-quality public education." He then told the rally group what the Texas Senate will do this session to make this become a reality. The School Choice Bill is Senate Bill 3 (SB 3) and can easily be tracked through the legislation process by the following websites:

www.capitol.state.tx.us/ Texas State Capitol website
www.lrl.state.tx.us Legislative Reference Library website
danpatrick.org Dan Patrick website

On April 6, 2017, SARW will attend the TFRW Legislative Day in Austin. **Registration for the TFRW Legislative Day is online at the TFRW website: www.tfrw.org or you can contact Deborah Roberson for a registration form.** If you are interested in attending, please let Deborah know so transportation can be arranged. Legislative Day is a wonderful opportunity to network with TFRW leadership and other clubs plus visit the state capitol and meet with representatives and senators. You don't want to miss Legislative Day!

Popularity should be no scale for the election of politicians. If it would depend on popularity, Donald Duck and The Muppets would take seats in senate.

Orson Wells



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AMERICANISM & CARING FOR AMERICA

Kate McKinley, Chair

Our recent monthly meeting was honored with Chief of Police of Morgan's Point Resort, Fred Churchill, speaking about Human Trafficking and Sex Trafficking. This ranks as number 3 in criminal activity. This amounts to \$110 Billion worldwide and \$10 Billion in the USA. Most who are involved are under the age of 18. He noted that 93% of those involved are women and girls; 37% are underage with the average age being 12-15. In the USA there are about 50,000—estimated because many crimes go unreported. One local ISD reports having 1,000 homeless schoolchildren—a statistic which is one of the signs of potential involvement in Human Trafficking and Sex Trafficking. Texas has ranked number 2 for the past 2 years in Human and Sex Trafficking. His presentation noted that every 30 seconds, another person becomes a victim of trafficking.

A group in McLennan County has organized to decrease the Human Trafficking and Sex Trafficking in their area and other areas as well. The organization can be viewed at <https://unboundnow.org>. SARW will discuss possible ways to involve ourselves in reducing Human Trafficking and Sex Trafficking in our area.



Save The Date!

TFRW Legislative Day

April 6, 2017

Austin, Texas

If you are interested, please contact
Deborah Roberson for registration details.

dkroberson.sarw@gmail.com

281-787-1073

If the freedom of speech is taken away then dumb and silent we may be led, like sheep to the slaughter.
George Washington

You cannot stop the spread of an idea by passing a law against it.
Harry S. Truman



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SALADO AREA REPUBLICAN WOMEN OFFICERS AND CHAIRMEN

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Salado Area Republican Women (SARW) Membership Form for 2017

Dues \$25 per year

Personal Information:

Title: (Check one): Mrs. ___ Miss ___ Ms. ___ Dr. ___ Judge ___ Mr. ___ Other _____

First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____ City _____ St _____ Zip _____

Name of spouse _____ Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____ Occupation: _____

Required by law for PAC reporting

Type of Membership: Check one: SARW _____ Associate _____

SARW Member is a Republican woman who wants SARW to be her primary Federated Republican Women's club. Associate Member is a Republican man who wants to support SARW or is a Republican Woman who already belongs to a primary Federated Republican Women's Club and also wants to support SARW.

Please return this form along with a check payable to SARW totaling \$25 per membership to: SARW, PAC; PO Box 373; Salado, TX 76571

SARW Information:

- The objectives of Salado Area Republican Women are to:
- Inform our members and the electorate through political education
- Increase effectiveness of women in the cause of good government through political participation.
- Foster loyalty to the Republican Party and to promote its principles, and candidates in all elections including non-partisan elections.
- Work for the election of the Republican Party's nominees

We are Republican because we believe in:

- Lower taxes & limited government
- Unlimited opportunity for all
- Security for the Homeland
- Parental authority
- And we respect individual achievement with self-reliance

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