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December 2017

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Important Dates for December

(Board of Directors and Chairmen listed at end of newsletter with contact information)

December 5 – Bell Co. Young Republicans Mtg. (7 pm, 13323 Marigold Trail, Belton)

December 8 – SARW Board Meeting (10 am, Library)

December 11 – Candidate Filing Deadline (6 pm)

December 14 – SARW Officer Installation (3 pm, Library)

December 20 – CTRW Annual Christmas Dinner & Installation (6 pm, Wildflower Country Club)

December 21 – Candidate Ballot Draw (5 pm, Commissioners Courtroom, Bell County Courthouse)

December 25 – Merry Christmas

January 1 – Happy New Year

January 12 – SARW Board Meeting (10 am, Library)

SARW website: <http://www.saladoarearw.com> – bookmark it!



SARW DECEMBER 14TH MEETING – 3:30 Salado Public Library - DON'T MISS!!

Plan on joining us for our final 2017 SARW meeting. **The meeting is December 14th at the Salado Public Library starting at 3:00 p.m.** In place of lunch, your SARW Board will be providing 'holiday goodies' for everyone in attendance. Zenia Warren, Senate District 24 Director for the Texas Federation of Republican Women, will be our guest. Ms. Warren will be installing the SARW slate of officers for 2018. Take time out of your busy schedule and join us for our last meeting of the year. See you there! bswarthout@mygrande.net or call 414-491-2341. We look forward to seeing you on the 14th.



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PRESIDENT'S PEN - Deborah Roberson

As 2017 draws to a close, let us not fall into the trap of becoming too complacent regarding the 2018 election cycle. The Democrats have made it clear they intend to "obstruct" Republicans at every level and they are following their game plan. Democrats are counting on picking up enough senate elections in 2018 to gain control of the senate.

Republicans at every level but especially in Washington D.C. must unite and work with each other to get the United States back on an "even kilter" by adhering to Constitutional principles. It was the grassroots evangelicals that helped make a difference in the 2016 election and they must do so again in the 2018 election cycle. WE must ensure Texas courts remain conservative. Texas is a target with the Democrats hoping to place more judges in the Texas court system as well as many local races.

SARW will serve the Salado area communities in 2018 by hosting candidate forums in January and February. In January, SARW will work with CTRW, Bell Co. Young Republicans and the Republican Party of Bell County to host a **State Justice Candidate Forum**. In February, SARW will host a Candidate Forum for local candidates. Both Forums will be evening meetings to accommodate working constituents. Details on both forums will be shared in early January.

Congratulations to the 2018 SARW Officers that were elected at the SARW November 16, 2017 meeting. The 2018 SARW Officers are:

President: Barbara Swarthout

1st Vice President of Programs: Melody Willingham

2nd Vice President of Membership: Jeanie K. Grant

3rd Vice President of Fundraising: Dorothy Dentry

Treasurer: Ann Moore

Secretary: Marjorie Hairston

It has been my pleasure to serve as SARW president for 2016 and 2017. During that time, SARW had an excellent executive board and committee chairs that worked together to accomplish club goals. I have complete confidence in Barbara Swarthout utilizing her leadership skills to continue SARW's growth and take the club to the next level. I will continue to serve on the SARW board as Legislative Chair and Parliamentarian/Bylaws Chair.

God Bless America and God Bless Texas!

Conservatively Yours,

Deborah



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PEACE ON EARTH

CHAPLAIN'S COLUMN – Bobi Anderson

Luke 2:14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Peace on Earth – is there a person on this earth who doesn't pray for peace? We are blessed to live in a country that was founded on the principle of freedom for everyone. But what will it take to bring "peace on earth"? I suspect that when those angels trooped down to Bethlehem to tell the shepherds that Jesus was born they weren't worried about it. They knew what was needed to bring peace to earth: Glory to God and that was a baby lying in a feed trough.

Each of us who believe in Jesus Christ as the Savior of the world has an obligation to show "Glory to God" in our everyday lives. In the stores, the meetings, the social gatherings we all attend, it is time that we go back to Bethlehem, back to the basics of our faith and bring Glory to God, especially during this season. The craziness that has usurped this holiday season's focus away from the birth of God's Son should not take our focus from the reason for the season: Jesus Christ – the only way to peace on earth.



2ND VP – MEMBERSHIP - Jeanie K. Grant

Wow, 2017 is flying by! I'm happy to report almost half the members from last year have already renewed their memberships for 2018. We also have four new members. If you haven't renewed your membership, please do so. The membership form is at the end of this newsletter.

We want to be strong for the tough election cycle coming up. Your membership helps us accomplish our goals of electing conservative candidates and helping provide support to many of our community organizations as well as providing scholarships to some of our Salado High School graduates. We have fun tending to serious business.

May you enjoy blessings of peace and joy this Christmas. **MEMBERSHIP FORM ON LAST PAGE!**

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.



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CTRW December Meeting

Our Annual Christmas Dinner and Installation of 2018 Officers will be Wednesday, December 20, 2017, 6PM, Wildflower Country Club. Please plan to join us for a very festive social. County Judge Jon Burrows will install our incoming Officers. Judge John Mischtain will lead us in Christmas carols and even Santa (Judge Ted Duffield) will be visiting. We will have a very special member share a letter from our First Lady and other surprises are planned. **Cost is \$30.00 PP.** Hope to see you and yours!

Please RSVP by Friday, December 15th by texting/calling [254-231-5371](tel:254-231-5371) or emailing ctrwpac@gmail.com



The Bell County Young Republicans Christmas Social at Lake Belton will take place on Tuesday, December 5th beginning at 7:00 P.M. The address is 13323 Marigold Trail, Belton, TX 76513.

A light dinner will be served. All are invited to attend and celebrate the season with some of Bell County's finest Republicans.

Sincerely,
Michael Jones
President
Bell County Young Republicans
[254-913-9451](tel:254-913-9451)



No Dec. meeting – see you in Jan!



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Republican Party of Bell County

Nancy Boston, County Chair

254-760-8155

Check out the new Republican Party of Bell County website at: www.belltxgop.org

The deadline for candidates to file for a place on the March 6, 2018 Republican Primary Ballot is **Monday, December 11, 2017 at 6 p.m.**

On December 11, 2017, your County Chair will be in her business office, which is located at 12435 FM 2305, Belton, TX 76513, from 1 – 6 p.m. The County Chair will also be available by appointment. Please see the contact information below:

Nancy Boston, Chairman

Republican Party of Bell County

Office: 254-780-2021

Cell: 254-760-8155

In addition, the Ballot Draw will be December 21, 2017, 5 p.m., at the Bell County Courthouse in the Commissioners Court Room.

“It is the day when we remind ourselves that man can and must live in peace with his neighbors and that it is the peacemakers who are truly blessed. We have much yet to do. We still need to ask that God bless everyone.”

John F. Kennedy, Christmas Message 1962

“For, more than just a day, Christmas is a state of mind. It is found throughout the year whenever faith overcomes doubt, hope conquers despair, and love triumphs over hate. It is present when men of any creed bring love and understanding to the hearts of their fellow man.”

Ronald Reagan, Christmas Message, 1981



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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

As we follow the proposed Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, here is an article from Business Insider dated November 29, 2017. It is an interesting read and perspective. You can read the entire article, including the 137 economist names at: <http://www.businessinsider.com/trump-tax-reform-opinion-congress-pass-2017-11>

Dear Senators and Representatives:

"Ask five economists," as the Edgar Fiedler adage goes, "and you'll get five different answers."

Yet, when it comes to the tax reform package aimed at fixing our broken system, the undersigned have but one shared perspective: [Economic growth will accelerate](#) if the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act passes, leading to more jobs, higher wages, and a better standard of living for the American people. If, however, the bill fails, the United States risks continued economic underperformance.

In today's globalized economy, capital is mobile in its pursuit of lower tax jurisdictions. Yet, in that worldwide race for job-creating investment, America is not economically competitive. Here's why: Left virtually untouched for the last 31 years, our chart-topping corporate tax rate is the [highest in the industrialized world](#) and a full fifteen percentage points above the OECD average. As a result of forfeiting our competitive edge, we forfeited [4,700 companies](#) from 2004 to 2016 to cheaper shores abroad. As a result of sitting idly by while the rest of the world took steps to lower their corporate rates, we lowered our own workers' wages by thousands of dollars a year.

Our colleagues from across the ideological spectrum — regardless of whether they ultimately support or oppose the current plan — recognize the record-setting rate at which the United States taxes job-creating businesses is, either significantly or entirely, a burden borne by the workers they employ. The question isn't whether American workers are hurt by our country's corporate tax rate — it's how badly. As such, the question isn't whether workers will be helped by a corporate tax rate reduction — it's how much.

The enactment of a comprehensive overhaul — complete with a lower corporate tax rate — will ignite our economy with levels of growth not seen in generations. A twenty percent statutory rate on a permanent basis would, per the Council of Economic Advisers, help produce a GDP boost ["by between 3 and 5 percent."](#) As the debate delves into deficit implications, it is critical to consider that \$1 trillion in new revenue for the federal government can be generated by four-tenths of a percentage in GDP growth.

Sophisticated economic models show the macroeconomic feedback generated by the TCJA will exceed that amount — more than enough to compensate for the static revenue loss. We firmly believe that a competitive corporate rate is the key to an economic engine driven by greater investment, capital stock, business formation, and productivity — all of which will yield more jobs and higher wages. Your vote throughout the weeks ahead will therefore put more money in the pockets of more workers.

Supporting the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act will ensure that those workers — those beneficiaries — are American.

Refer to the website listed above to see list of economists



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SALADO AREA REPUBLICAN WOMEN OFFICERS AND CHAIRMEN

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Salado Area Republican Women (SARW) Membership Form for 2018

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: _____

Email: _____ Occupation: _____

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Type of Membership: Check one: SARW _____ Associate _____ Renewal _____ New _____

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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