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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Important Dates for February

February 2 – Pints and Politics, Dead Fish Grill, 6:00 p.m.

February 5 – Last day to register to vote

February 6 – Bell County Young Republicans 7:00 p.m., Bell County Republican Party Headquarters

February 9 – SARW Board Meeting, Salado Library, 10:00 a.m.

February 19 – Tea Party Candidates' Forum, Tenroc, Salado, 6:30 p.m.

February 20 – Early voting begins

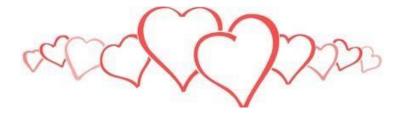
February 21 – CTRW 11:30 a.m., Wildflower Country Club, Temple

February 22 – SARW Bell County Candidates' Forum, Holiday Inn, Salado, 6:00 p.m.

March 2 – Last day for early voting

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

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



1st VP of Programs

SARW Bell County Candidates' Forum - February 22nd - 6:00 P.M. at Holiday Inn, Salado

Mark your calendars to attend the Bell County Candidates' Forum on Thursday, February 22, 2018, starting at 6:00 p.m. The Forum will be held at the Holiday Inn Express, 1991 North Stagecoach Road, Salado. Light refreshments will be served.

Those having opponents in the upcoming primary have been invited to attend. This includes the following positions: State Representative, District 54; State Representative, District 55; District Judge, 264th Judicial District; County Commissioner – Precinct 2; Justice of the Peace – Precinct 2, Justice of the Peace – Precinct 1, County Treasurer; and Republican Party of Bell County Chair. Unopposed candidates for District Clerk, County Clerk, County Judge and 169th Judicial Court have been invited to meet and greet those in attendance. Encourage everyone you know to attend. We need to continue to keep Texas Red.

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2018 Texas Republican Primary Ballot

The Republican Primary Ballot is now available on the Secretary of State's website. If you are interested in viewing or printing out the ballot, it is available at

https://webservices.sos.state.tx.us/candidate-filing/cf-report.aspx

PRESIDENT'S PEN - Barbara Swarthout

We are going to need every SARW member to work hard to Keep Texas Red in the upcoming critical 2018 elections. Our 2018 Board of Directors is committed to providing everyone with the tools needed to make this a successful Republican election. To stay informed about all our activities, continue to check out our website www.saladoarearw.com for the latest news and updates. We are excited to announce that shortly we will have a SARW Facebook page enabling all our members to share their Republican experiences and ideas. When the page is operational, there will be a link from our website to the page.

Most importantly, we want to remind everyone to mark their calendars for our upcoming 2018 Bell County Candidates' Forum that will be held at the Holiday Inn, Salado, on February 22. The event will begin at 6:00 p.m. with light refreshments available. All candidates have accepted and will be attending so this will be a great opportunity for you to hear the candidates' platforms and perspectives. Those who have opponents in the upcoming election will have four minutes to present their platform. Candidates who are running for election but do not have an opponent have also been invited to attend and mingle with the audience prior to the Forum.

Let's continue to Keep Texas Red together!

Barbara

CHAPLAIN'S COLUMN - Bobi Anderson

Rev 3:22: If you have ears, listen to what the Spirit says!

These words were written to the seven churches in the Book of Revelation, or the Book of the Apocalypse, since it describes the end of time as we know it. It is a warning from Christ to those living in their complacency and smugness. These days, we also live in times of complacency in spiritual matters. But, they are also times of frantic activity, hurry, tension and angry dissension. Life seems out of control so often.

The warning is to heed God's word – the Bible – where He tells us in Matthew 28:20, He will always be with us "even until the end of the world (CEV)." This means that the guidance, presence and wisdom of Christ will strengthen, assist, guide and direct our lives – if we invite Him in. We are aware of the "new" idea that people are spiritual but don't want to be affiliated with "organized religion". It is only in the church that people will find God's truth being spoken. We need a return to God's word, His teachings and His divine intervention if the America we love is to not just survive, but thrive again. Pray for a revival of God in our country!



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We are each of us angels with only one wing, and we can only fly by embracing one another. -Helen Keller

2ND VP of MEMBERSHIP - Jeanie K. Grant

We need you! In 2018, the Salado Area Republican Women need all our members to renew their memberships. The stronger our numbers the stronger we will impact the election of Republican candidates up and down the ballot. Your membership makes you part of the process that informs voters and gets them out to vote. Your participation is important to a successful election.

Don't miss our candidate forums and informative speakers already on the calendar for 2018. If you haven't already renewed, fill out the form at the end of this newsletter and send with your check to SARW. We look forward to seeing you.

If you have questions, don't hesitate to call me at 979-229-5590 or email jeaniekgrant@gmail.com.

Treasurer's Report - Ann Moore

The 2018 Budget was approved by the membership in January. In 2018, we are budgeting \$3000 for two scholarships to be given to Salado High School seniors. In previous years, we have given two \$1000 scholarships. We also plan to give \$5000 to Texas candidates who are facing tough races in the general election. We usually do this by contributing to the Candidate Resource Committee, under the Republican Party of Texas. If you would like to know more about the committee, contact me at mcmoore32-sarw@yahoo.com We appreciate your support in reaching our 2018 financial goals.

3rd VP of Fundraising – Dorothy Dentry

SARW is busy planning the annual Fine China Luncheon and fundraiser scheduled Thursday, March 22, 2018, at Tenroc Ranch, Blue Heron Room. The program starts at 11 a.m. Doors will open for table and auction item viewing at 10:45 a.m. Tickets are \$30.00. We really need for all of our members to step up and sponsor a table since all our projects are dependent on the funds we raise from our events. We have 24 tables available and have currently confirmed ten host/hostesses. Businesses and individuals are invited to host a table. We are delighted to announce our keynote speaker is Nick Adams (author of *Retaking America*). He is a former Australian politician who later emigrated to the United States and has become a conservative commentator and author. In 2013, Governor Rick Perry named Adams an "honorary Texan."

All proceeds from SARW-sponsored projects fund civic, military, education and political campaigns including dictionaries for Salado third grade students, U. S. Constitutions for fifth grade students, care packages for deployed soldiers, contributions to libraries and two annual scholarships for high school graduates. For more information: contact Dorothy Dentry 254 760-2456 or ddentry3@gmail.com.



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Friendship gives wings to the heart as there is no distance that can set them apart.



Military Support for Those Deployed - Barclay McCort

We are into our fourth year of sending monthly boxes to our deployed soldiers. Currently, we have plenty of magazines and paperbacks. We do need personal care items such as Chapstick, foot powder, sunscreen, deodorant, etc. and snack foods that won't melt (cookies, crackers, nuts, jerky, cold drink mixes). Some game items are always welcome such as playing cards, Frisbees, etc. Individual foods like macaroni and cheese are appreciated too. Items may be brought to any SARW meeting. We know from the officer of our last soldier group we supported that the boxes are really appreciated.

The soldier above all others prays for peace, for it is the soldier who must suffer and bear the deepest wounds and scars of war.

Americanism/Caring for America - Kate McKinley

Travel size shampoo and conditioner

The SARW Board has agreed to participate with the Olin E. Teague Veteran's Administration Medical Center of Central Texas to be part of the National *Valentines for Veterans* the week of February 12-16, 2018. The Voluntary Service people will be distributing several items to veterans. A list of acceptable items is below. Please bring your donations to the Salado Public Library on Friday, February 9, 2018, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. A donation box will be available.

The Voluntary Services noted the following: "We need the following hygiene items listed below. We cannot use items with alcohol (hand sanitizer, etc.)

Toothbrush Small combs
Travel size toothpaste Travel size lotion
Alcohol-free mouthwash
Roller deodorant or small stick deodorant

Donated items can be assembled in zip-seal bags or we will accept them unsorted. Thanks for your willingness to help!

True heroism is remarkably sober, very undramatic. It is not the urge to surpass all others at whatever cost, but the urge to serve others at whatever cost.



Technology Committee – Michele Melsha

The SARW Facebook page is operational and under review by the SARW Board members before adding it to our website. We will let you know when it is completed. It will be a very simple process to write and publish content and share your thoughts, ideas, and SARW pictures. Once operational on the SARW website, we want to encourage our members to support our Facebook group by having an openness and acceptance of members' ideas; giving recognition for our members' contributions as well as encouraging participation from all Salado Area Republican Women.

Scholarship Chair – Deanna Whitson

Crazy how time flies! Our 2018 high school seniors will soon be graduating and attending college. SARW applications for scholarship recipients are now available.

The qualifications for our candidates are: they must be a Salado High School Senior woman of good standing with a scholastic record of not less than 2.5 GPA. Along with the application, these requirements are to be included: S.A.T./A.C.T. scores, write an essay, have three letters of recommendation, plus list activities and any honors they have received. The applications are available at the school from Anita Morales, counselor. The deadline for the applications is March 30, 2018.

We encourage any members who have young women in their families or know of a young lady that meets the requirements, to share the scholarship information with them. Two young ladies will be chosen and each will receive a \$1,500.00 scholarship.

For additional information or questions, you may also contact Deanna Whitson at 254-394-4100 or at deannawhitson@leader1.com.

Campaign Activities Co-Chairs: Barclay McCort/Jeanie Grant

One very important record we report to our state and national organizations is a list of our volunteer Campaign Activities and Community Service hours. Please keep a record of the hours you spend on any of these activities. Then, at the end of each quarter, email them to either of us: barclaymccort@gmail.com or jeaniekgrant@gmail.com
Please contact us if you have any questions. One side note: Texas reported the greatest number of campaign hours to our national organization, The National Federation of Republican Women. Let's keep up the good work, ladies!



Legislative – Deborah Roberson

The State Republican Executive Committee (SREC) approved placing eleven propositions on the March Republican Primary ballot. **Please note the propositions are non-binding which means they do not create laws.** The proposed propositions are an effective way to poll Republican voters on various issues. The Party uses the results to inform elected officials on where voters stand on the proposed issues.

RPT Chairman James Dickey issued the following statement:

"The SREC deliberated and delivered eleven propositions to place on our Primary ballot. We look forward to hearing from our voters on these issues and to sharing the results with lawmakers. Whatever the results, we will continue working towards making our principles a reality."

Texas Republican voters will vote "Yes or No" on each of the propositions. Here is the full list of ballot propositions submitted by the SREC for inclusion on the March 6 Republican Primary Election ballot:

- 1. Texas should replace the property tax system with an appropriate consumption tax equivalent.
- 2. No governmental entity should ever construct or fund construction of toll roads without voter approval.
- 3. Republicans in the Texas House should select their Speaker nominee by secret ballot in a binding caucus without Democrat influence.
- 4. Texas should require employers to screen new hires through the free E-Verify system to protect jobs for legal workers.
- 5. Texas families should be empowered to choose from public, private, charter, or homeschool options for their children's education, using tax credits or exemptions without government constraints or intrusion.
- 6. Texas should protect the privacy and safety of women and children in spaces such as bathrooms, locker rooms, and showers in all Texas schools and government buildings.
- 7. I believe abortion should be abolished in Texas.
- 8. Vote fraud should be a felony in Texas to help ensure fair elections.
- 9. Texas demands that Congress completely repeal Obamacare.
- 10. To slow the growth of property taxes, yearly revenue increases should be capped at 4%, with increases in excess of 4% requiring voter approval.
- 11. Tax dollars should not be used to fund the building of stadiums for professional or semi-professional sports teams.

Remember, early voting for the March 6th Republican Primary Election begins February 20, 2018 and ends March 2, 2018.

CTRW FEBRUARY 21 MEETING

CTRW is hosting a forum at the Wildflower Country Club, Temple, for candidates in House District 54 and 55. Lunch is \$15.00 RSVP to ctrwpac@gmail.com RSVP by Friday, February 16.

BELL COUNTY YOUNG REPUBLICANS MEETING

The Young Republicans will hold their monthly meeting Tuesday, February 6, 7:00 p.m. at the Republican Party of Bell County Headquarters, 204 N. East Street, Suite 3, Belton. The speaker will be Justice of the Peace candidate (Precinct 2) Cliff Coleman.



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VOLUNTEERS are needed to staff Republican Headquarters, 204 N. East Street, Suite E, Belton, TX 76513. beginning February 5, 2018 Headquarters will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Shifts are as follows: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Plan to attend your Precinct and County Conventions March 24, 2018 at SPJST Home Office, 520 N. Main Street, Temple, TX 76501.

PRECINCT CONVENTIONS: 9:30 a.m. COUNTY CONVENTION: 1:00 p.m. VOLUNTEERS needed to serve on the committees.

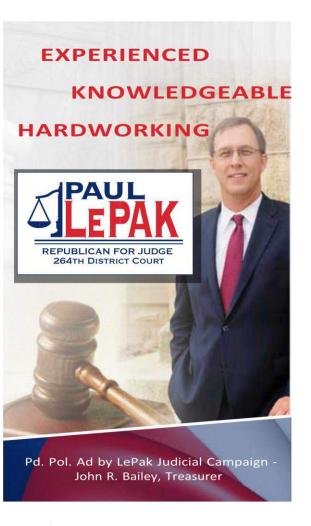
STATE CONVENTION: Thurs., June 14 - Sat., June 16, 2018 at San Antonio Convention Center

Information about conventions visit: https://www.texasgop.org/2018-convention/

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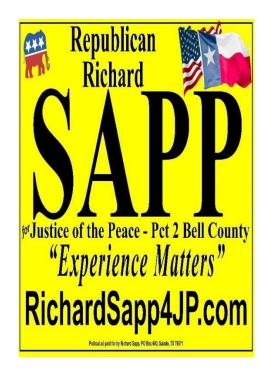




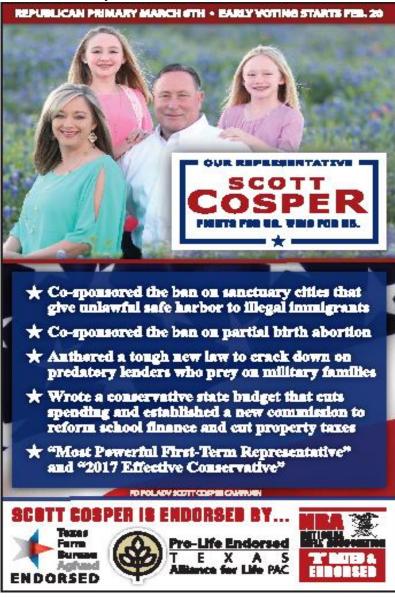














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Salado Area Republican Women (SARW) Membership Form for 2018

Dues \$25 per year Personal Information:

Title: (Check one): Mrs N	Miss Ms	Dr Judge	Mr	Other		
First Name:	N	Aiddle Name:			Last Name:	
Address:	City		St	Zip		
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<u>SARW Member</u> is a Republican woman who wants SARW to be her primary Federated Republican Women's club. <u>Associate Member</u> 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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