

May 2018



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 3 – National Day of Prayer, Tenroc Ranch, Sirena Room, 11:30 a.m.
- May 4 – Pints and Politics, Dead Fish Grill, 6:00 p.m.
- May 5 – Election for local Salado Candidates and Salado ISD Bond Issue
- May 11 – SARW Board Meeting, Salado Public Library, 10:00 a.m.
- May 14 through May 18 – Early Voting for Run-off election
- May 22 – Run-off election for Bell County Candidates
- May 24 – SARW General Meeting featuring Glenn Hegar, Texas Comptroller,
Tenroc Ranch, Sirena Room, Social Hour – 6:00 p.m.; Dinner 6:30 p.m.
- May 28 – Deadline for articles for June SARW newsletter

Dates for June

- June 8 – SARW Board Meeting, Salado Public Library, 10:00 a.m.
- June 13 through June 16 – State Republican Party Convention, San Antonio

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

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

MAY SARW GENERAL MEETING – Glen Hegar Texas Comptroller Speaker

SARW'S next general meeting will be held May 24 at 6:00 p.m. at Tenroc Ranch, Sirena Room. Social hour is at 6:00 p.m. with dinner following at 6:30 p.m. McCain's Café and Bakery will be providing the catered dinner. Cost is \$20 per person prepaid or \$25 per person at the door. Reservations must be received by May 18. To prepay send your check to SARW PAC, P.O. Box 373, Salado, TX 76571. The guest speaker will be Glenn Hegar who serves as Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. He will provide an update on the financial state of Texas and review some of the initiatives he has taken to meet cash flow needs, the effort to repeal eight minor but burdensome taxes and his part in ensuring that the Legislature cut taxes and fees by \$4 billion. Prior to being elected Texas Comptroller, Mr. Hegar served in the Texas House of Representatives and Texas Senate. Please RSVP to barbaraswarthout@outlook.com or call/text 414-491-2341. The public is invited. We look forward to seeing all of you there.

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PRESIDENT'S PEN – Barbara Swarthout

Two important elections will be held in May.

On **May 5**, Salado residents will go to the polls to elect a mayor and alderman/woman. Importantly, a Salado Independent School District bond proposal will also be decided at this election. The bond proposal addresses aging facilities, safety, growth, athletics and extracurricular facilities. It is important for everyone to have their vote and voice heard. Plan to go to the polls and have your local vote counted.

On **May 22**, there will be a run-off election for three Bell County official positions. Listed below are those positions and candidates vying for these openings.

Precinct 2 County Commissioner

- Tim Brown
- Bobby Whitson

Judge – 264th District Court

- Paul LePak
- Jeff Parker

State Representative – 54th District

- Brad Buckley
- Scott Cospers

Voting serves as an essential function in the United States. Citizens, through their votes, have a voice in government, allowing them to elect leaders and decide on issues. By casting your ballot in a local, state, or national election you're helping to shape the place in which you live.

Vote – and invite your friends and family to do so as well.

I cannot end this column without acknowledging the loss of First Lady Barbara Bush. We pray for her family. The best way for you to remember her legacy is to read to your children or buy a child a book. Her devotion to literacy needs to live on in our lives. We will miss her.

Together we can continue to Keep Texas Red!

Barbara

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CHAPLAIN'S COLUMN – Bobi Anderson

Psalm 33:12 Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord.

This Psalm speaks to the nation which worships God and is under His protection. Ann Graham Lotz was asked why God allowed such tragedies at Hurricane Harvey, and the attendant aftermath lasting weeks and months. Her reply was that we have asked God to remove Himself from our government, our schools and many of our public gatherings. Being a gentleman, God did. Do we need to invite Him back? I would unequivocally say yes!

Why? I would submit that such a nation is blessed or happy because: He is real, He is true and not an imagination or fiction. Because His laws are just and good, observing them will tend to promote the public welfare and prosperity. Plus, because He willingly gives His protection to such a nation, His worship, and the influence of His people will tend to diffuse truth and promote the national welfare.

A QUICK FIX FOR AMERICA: INVITE GOD BACK INTO EVERYTHING WE'VE ASKED HIM TO LEAVE!

2nd VP of MEMBERSHIP – Jeanie K. Grant

SARW is looking for more new members! If you have friends who think they might like to join our club, please tell them about the monthly programs that provide greater knowledge about our government, our leaders, and important issues facing our state and nation. Don't forget - Your spouses can also join SARW as associate members. Dues not only support campaigns, they also support our scholarships, Constitutional books for our Salado school children, care packages for our military and other worthy community projects. Let your friends know that we have fun tending to serious business. We hope they will join us. Please see the membership form at the end of this newsletter.

3rd VP Fundraising – Dorothy Dentry

Now that the Fine China Luncheon is in our rearview mirror, the FCL committee met for a debrief on this year's event. The committee identified some great ideas to improve next year's luncheon and make it a fun event for all attendees. We would like to encourage all members now to start collecting items for our Silent Auction. It is our goal to have even more items to choose from. If you do have items you would like to donate, please contact me at ddentry13@gmail.com. There are also a number of hostesses who have already signed up to decorate tables in 2019. Don't wait. We have a limited number of tables that we can accommodate.

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Military Support for Those Deployed Barclay McCort

SARW has received word that a squadron from Fort Hood will be deploying to Iraq within a few weeks. We are still collecting items which you may bring to any meeting. Here are some items that we need most: Chapstick, sunblock, foot powder, decks of cards and any other personal care items. Check out the Dollar stores – they have great buys on many of these items. As always, we sincerely appreciate your strong support for our troops.

Technology Committee – Michele Melsha

SARW continues to reach out and gain more followers on our Facebook page. We currently have 52 followers and 49 ‘likes’. Our Facebook page has an impact on how far and wide our message spreads, as well as the volume of people that we reach and influence. If you have not done so, please take a moment to visit our Facebook link on our website: www.saladoarearw.com Thank you to all who have followed us so far. We need to continue to reach out and get our message heard!

Campaign Activities Co-Chairs: Barclay McCort/Jeanie Grant

We continue to collect SARW hours for political support as well as community service. The next report is due June 28. These hours are then reported to the Texas Federation of Republican Women and forwarded on to the National Federation of Republican Women. Last year Texas received the award at the National Federation of Republican Women for earning the most number of campaign activities of all fifty states. Keep up the good work and remember to send your hours in by June 28 to barclaymccort@gmail.com

Lead me, follow me, or get out of my way. — General George Patton

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Legislative – Deborah Roberson

Update on Human Trafficking Legislation

More than a year ago, SARW heard two program speakers on Human Trafficking. It was clear the SARW members wanted to become involved to address this reality along the I-35 corridor. Several SARW members have contacted their state and federal senators and representatives regarding this problem. Here's an update on Human Trafficking legislation:

- Gov. Abbott declared January (2018) to be Human Trafficking Prevention Month. He presented a “Preventing Crime, Protecting Texans, Punishing Criminals” plan of action which included \$22 million designated to the Department of Public Safety (DPS). The DPS will utilize the funds to establish regional squads to investigate human trafficking cases and provide training for local law enforcement agencies. (www.texastribune.org and <https://gov.texas.gov/.../governor-abbott-proclaims-january-as-human-trafficking-prevention>)
- The Texas U.S. senators and house representatives worked to produce a bi-partisan piece of legislation entitled *Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act* (FOSTA, H.R. 1865) that President Trump signed into law in April. FOSTA will shut down websites, such as Backpage.com, that exploited women and children through online sex-trafficking and punish those responsible. (www.govtrack.us/congress/bills/115/hr1865)

On April 24, 2018, a Temple Telegram article written by Dr. Stephen Ponder, a pediatric endocrinologist at Baylor Scott & White McLane Children's Medical Center, outlined twelve warning signs of human trafficking in children, especially teens. They are:

- Change in dress, typically less appropriately dressed than before.
- Overly sexualized behaviors around peers.
- Wears expensive clothes, shoes or other accessories.
- Boasts about having or coming into large amounts of money.
- Has an older boyfriend or new friends with a different lifestyle.
- Talks about attending wild parties or invites other students to attend with them.
- Wears gang symbols or colors, or doodles gang symbols on notebooks.
- Has new tattoos of money symbols, barcodes or a name.
- Has frequent, unexplained absences from school.
- Acts overly tired in class.
- Shows signs of abuse such as bruises, cuts or burn marks.
- Acts withdrawn, depressed, distracted or checked out. (<https://ark2freedom.org/>)

The article continues on to state that human sex trafficking is not a big city problem. It happens everywhere and as we learned last year, the I-35 corridor is conducive in facilitating this problem; thus, impacting every local community along the way.

If you suspect someone is being sex-trafficked, do not try to “handle it” on your own. Sex trafficking is a dangerous situation. You should take the following appropriate steps to report a suspicious sex trafficking situation:

- Contact local law enforcement authorities or if immediate danger call 911
- National Human Trafficking Hotline: 1-888-373-7888
- ARK Foundation (Belton): 254-939-0124
- Local and throughout Texas: www.traffick911.com
- National: www.polarisproject.org

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(www.tdtnews.com April 24, 2018)

Americanism/Caring for America – Kate McKinley

My granddaughter who is in the first grade at Holland Elementary School brought home a paper requesting parents to participate in a Career Day. She asked if I could participate as a presenter. I came home and began pulling together displays and information to be ready for approximately 55 first graders! My encouragement was for them to read, read, and then read some more. Ask questions. Use their minds. This is how we as Americans share what we have learned and encourage lifelong learning. I encourage each of us to find ways to share ourselves with this rising generation through 'Caring for America'.

There's more news on the following pages!

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Republican Party of Bell County Nancy Boston, Chairman

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belltxgop@att.net

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The Bell County Republican Party and the Republican Auxiliaries will be preparing for the 2018 Belton **“Proud To Be An American”** Fourth Of July Parade Float.

Republicans will also have a booth at the Central Texas State Fair which will be held August 31 – September 2, 2018 at the Bell County Expo Center.

If you are interested in participating, please send an email to belltxgop@att.net and you will be kept informed as preparations are made. Volunteers will also be needed on a daily basis to work at the Headquarters when the hours are extended.

Thank you to all the people who agreed to serve in the various elections being held on May 5, 2018 and in the May 22, 2018 Republican Primary Runoff Election.

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CTRW May Meeting

Central Texas Republican Women will meet Wednesday, May 16, 2018 at 6 pm at the Wildflower Country Club, Temple, Texas, for our annual Scholarship Awards Dinner. This year all applicants are in their final year of high school. An amazing number of the students are graduating with an Associates' Degree or with multiple years of college earned while they were in high school. Three winning recipients will be announced at the Awards Dinner. Each Recipient will receive a scholarship in the amount of \$1500.00. Cost of Dinner is \$30.00 per person.

Please RSVP by Friday, May 11, 2018

MAIL TO: CTRW (PAC), P.O. BOX 24, BELTON, TEXAS 76513 OR
PLEASE CALL/TEXT LINDA HAGLER (432-254-9990)
OR EMAIL ctrwpac@gmail.com



Bell County Young Republicans next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 1, at 7:00 p.m. The Young Republicans will have the honor of hosting Third Court of Appeals, Place 6, candidates in Killeen at the District Office of State Representative, Scott Cosper. All are welcome to attend.

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SALADO AREA REPUBLICAN WOMEN OFFICERS AND CHAIRMEN

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EXPERIENCED • KNOWLEDGEABLE • HARDWORKING



**PAUL
LEPAK**
REPUBLICAN FOR JUDGE
264TH DISTRICT COURT

Michelle and I appreciate all the support from our friends in Salado. We are asking for your vote in the May 22nd Republican Primary Runoff.

Pd. Pol. Ad by LePak Judicial Campaign - John R. Bailey, Treasurer

The advertisement features a photograph of a man and a woman standing together. The man is wearing a dark suit, a white shirt, and a red tie. The woman is wearing a purple top. To the left of the photo is a logo for Paul LePak, which includes a scale of justice icon and the text "PAUL LEPAK" in large, bold letters, with "REPUBLICAN FOR JUDGE 264TH DISTRICT COURT" below it. Above the photo, the words "EXPERIENCED • KNOWLEDGEABLE • HARDWORKING" are written in a bold, sans-serif font. Below the photo, a short message of gratitude and a request for support is written. At the bottom of the ad, a red banner contains the text "Pd. Pol. Ad by LePak Judicial Campaign - John R. Bailey, Treasurer".The logo for Bobby Whitson features a stylized map of Texas. The left side of the map is blue with a white star, and the right side is red. To the right of the map, the name "BOBBY Whitson" is written in a large, bold, sans-serif font. "BOBBY" is in blue, and "Whitson" is in red with a white outline. Below the name, the text "FOR BELL COUNTY COMMISSIONER" is written in a smaller, bold, sans-serif font. Underneath that, "Pct. 2" is written in a smaller, italicized font. At the bottom of the logo, the website "bobbywhitson.com" is written in a bold, sans-serif font.

**BOBBY
Whitson**
FOR BELL COUNTY
COMMISSIONER
Pct. 2
bobbywhitson.com

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Republican Runoff Election is May 22nd



**VOTE
JEFF PARKER
FOR
264th District Court Judge**

Joshua, Jeff, Samuel and Susan www.electjeffparker.com

Political advertising paid for by Jeff Parker in compliance with the voluntary limits of the Judicial Campaign Fairness Act

**THANK YOU
FOR YOUR
SUPPORT.**

**I ask for your
support again in the
Republican Runoff
May 22nd.**



REPUBLICAN
**Dr. Brad
BUCKLEY**
★
FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE

Pd. pol. ad. Dr. Brad Buckley Campaign

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RE-ELECT Precinct 2 County Commissioner
Tim Brown
Experience where it counts:
*Transportation, Water, Technology
Public Safety & Low Taxes*

**The right choice for
Bell County Commissioner**

BrownForBellCounty.com Paid Political Ad by Tim Brown Campaign

OUR REPRESENTATIVE
SCOTT COSPER
FRONTS FOR US. WHO FOR US.

- ★ Co-sponsored the ban on sanctuary cities that give unlawful safe harbor to illegal immigrants
- ★ Co-sponsored the ban on partial birth abortion
- ★ Authored a tough new law to crack down on predatory lenders who prey on military families
- ★ Wrote a conservative state budget that cuts spending and established a new commission to reform school finance and cut property taxes
- ★ "Most Powerful First-Term Representative" and "2017 Effective Conservative"

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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: _____

Required by law for PAC reporting

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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