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### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- December 3 – Republican Party of Bell County Final Executive Committee Meeting, 6:00 p.m.  
Commissioners Courtroom, Bell County Courthouse, 101 East Central Avenue, Belton
- December 7 – SARW Board Meeting, Salado Public Library, 10:00 a.m.
- December 13 – **SARW General Meeting – 2:00 p.m. Salado Civic Center, - CELEBRATION MEETING**
- December 19 – CTRW Christmas Social and Dinner, 6:00 p.m., Wildflower Country Club, Temple
- December 25 – **MERRY CHRISTMAS**
- December 27 – SARW Newsletter Articles Due
- December 31 – Campaign Hours Due
- January 11 – SARW Board Meeting – Salado Public Library, 10:00 a.m.
- January 12 – Central Texas State Veterans Cemetery Wreath Retrieval, 10:00 a.m.
- January 24 – SARW General Meeting – Salado Civic Center – 11:30 a.m.;
- Topic: Opioid Addiction Epidemic  
Presenter: Judge Rebecca DePew

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

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



**SARW General Meeting – December 13** - SARW will meet December 13 at 2:00 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center. The SARW Board will be providing light ‘finger foods’ for this meeting. This will be a short meeting of celebration for a great successful 2018. Come and help us celebrate We will share the many projects that all of you helped make so successful. New SARW Board officers will also be installed at this meeting with installation conducted by Zenia Warren, TFRW District Director. No RSVPs are necessary. We hope to see you there to participate in our meeting of ‘celebration’ and installation of 2019 officers. If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Swarhout at 414-491-2341 or [barbaraswarhout@outlook.com](mailto:barbaraswarhout@outlook.com)

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### **PRESIDENT'S PEN – Barbara Swarhout**

With the death of President George H.W. Bush, this country has lost a great hero, public servant, husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. Please keep the Bush family in your prayers as they say good-bye. God speed, President George H. W. Bush.

Another successful mid-term election was completed in 2018. Our congratulations to all of our Republican candidates who won. We must begin to plan for our 2020 strategy for the upcoming Presidential election. The mid-term elections sent a strong message that we must work diligently to keep our Republican agenda moving forward in 2020. Come join us on December 13 to celebrate the wonderful projects and milestones that our Club accomplished in 2018. And at this special beautiful time of year: Peace and goodwill to you and your loved ones this Christmas season. As we celebrate the birth of our Lord, I pray that the light of kindness and hope be reborn in you so that you will never tire of being selfless and brave. Christmas is more than just opening the gifts we received. Most of all, it is the time to open our hearts to the Lord. A very blessed Merry Christmas to you and your family.



### **CHAPLAIN'S COLUMN – Bobi Anderson** Luke 2:11 (TLB) The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born tonight in Bethlehem

Contained within this statement is the announcement of WHO Jesus is, and to whom He came. He came as Lord. Even when wrapped in those infant's rags, He was Lord. He was "messiah", the fulfillment of thousands of years of hope for the Israelites: the one who would fulfill all the God given promises of the covenants from as far back as Abraham. In Greek he is *kurios* the old Hebrew equivalent for "Jehovah God".

Why did He come? As "Savior" for the peoples of the world. These announcers were joined by a "host" – uncountable numbers of angels singing "Glory to God in the highest heaven," they sang,<sup>[d]</sup> "and peace on earth for all". (verse 14) Because of this birth, mankind is to "fear not" and have "great joy" at this miraculous advent.

And Matthew 1:23 tells us that WE are to call Him Immanuel: "God with us". Everything mankind needs is within Him in whom all wisdom and life are hidden.

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***BLESSINGS:** a favor or gift bestowed by God, thereby bringing happiness.*

### **CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES HOURS AND YOUR COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS – Barclay McCort**

Your campaign hours are due by the end of December. You may choose to estimate for the last two weeks if you do not want to worry with this during the Christmas season. Remember – we just need your total hours. In addition, I need your Caring for America/Community Service Hours. Please send these hours to [barclaymccort@gmail.com](mailto:barclaymccort@gmail.com)

*It is Christmas in the heart that puts Christmas in the air. – W.T. Ellis*

### **2<sup>ND</sup> VP OF MEMBERSHIP – Jeanie K. Grant**

Our membership continues to grow! Our Club now has 79 members: 51 Primary, 1 Honorary and 27 Associate members. We are now looking forward to 2019 and hope all who have not renewed will do so as soon as possible. Our programs for next year will be very informative. We always have fun tending to serious business at our luncheon meetings. If you are thinking about joining or have a friend you think might be interested, please share our membership form at the end of this newsletter. It is imperative we are informed about issues for the coming 2020 elections. We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

### **3<sup>RD</sup> VP OF FUNDRAISING – Dorothy Dentry**

A big SARW THANK YOU to those who bought (and those who sold) the beautiful red poinsettias. With the combined effort, we were able to sell 330 poinsettias (the largest number sold ever). This project will provide funds for our graduating high school scholarship recipients - a great way to end our SARW year for everyone.

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*"We are better throughout the year for having, in spirit, become a child again at Christmastime." — Laura Ingalls Wilder*

### **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Deborah Roberson**

86<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislative Session (2019)

The 86<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislative session begins on January 8, 2019 and is in session for 140 days until May 27, 2019. There are 181 members of the Texas House and Senate that can file bills in this session until March 8<sup>th</sup>. To date there have been 619 prefiled bills according to Legislative Scan (<https://legiscan.com/TX>). [This website will help you track various bills as they proceed through the legislative process. It is also a good source to summarize each bill including the bill's sponsors. The website further breaks down the filed bills into categories such as:](https://legiscan.com/TX)

- Top Texas Sponsors (House and Senate)
- Top Texas Committees
- Most Viewed Texas Bills
- Most Monitored Texas Bills

Here's a sampling of some interesting bills that have been filed for the 86<sup>th</sup> Legislative session:

- Senate Bill 66: Sen. Jane Nelson (R) - would reduce and eventually eliminate the state's franchise tax
- House Bill 49: Rep. Lyle Larson (R) – would get rid of daylight-saving time in Texas
- House Joint Resolution 24 – would propose a constitutional amendment requiring the state to fund at least half of the cost of funding public schools (If voters approved the amendment, local property tax collections would not apply to the state's share.)  
<https://smcorridornews.com/bill-filing-begins-for-upcoming-86th-texas-legislative-session/>
- House Bill 222: Rep. Matt Krause (R) – would prevent cities from requiring employers to provide paid sick leave to employees
- Senate Bill 95: Sen. Jose Menendez (D) – proposes giving every Texas teacher a \$4,000 pay raise
- House Bill 21: Rep. Terry Canales (D) – would exempt college textbooks from sales taxes during one week in August and one week in January

The Texas 86<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session promises to be a "lively" session and SARW will monitor various bills of importance to Bell County.

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***"My idea of Christmas, whether old-fashioned or modern, is very simple: loving others."***  
***—Bob Hope***

### **AMERICANISM/CARING FOR AMERICA – Kate McKinley**

Thank you to everyone who participated in the wreath preparation and laying of wreaths at the Central Texas State Veterans Cemetery. This means so much to our veterans' honorable resting place and to all those families who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country and our freedoms. We can't thank you enough for your support of this project. God's Blessings to you and your family. If you can help with wreath retrieval on Saturday, January 12, at 10:00 a.m., at the Central Texas State Veterans Cemetery, it would be greatly appreciated. Buses will run from Texas A&M University Central Texas beginning at 8:45 a.m. Should weather be questionable that morning, the following link should give information on reschedule of the retrieval:

<http://www.wreathsforvets.org/home/schedule-of-events/>



***Republican Party of Bell County***  
***204 North East Street, Ste. A-1, Belton, TX 76513***  
***[www.belltxgop.org](http://www.belltxgop.org) 254-831-5200***

The Republican Party will hold the final Executive Committee Meeting of 2018 on Monday, December 3, 2018 in the Commissioners Courtroom, Bell County Courthouse, 101 East Central Avenue, Belton, TX 76513.

Registration: 5:00-6 p.m. Meeting: 6:00 p.m.

This is a very busy time of the year but it is not too early to begin Strategic Planning for 2020 to include use of technology and developing models for outreach and involvement of citizens in the political process. All interested Republicans are encouraged to attend. Your ideas and suggestions would be appreciated.

Nancy Boston  
Cell: 254-760-8155

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**Christmas day is a day of joy and charity. May God make you very rich in both. - Phillips Brooks**



Central Texas Republican Women will be hosting their annual Christmas Social and Dinner on Wednesday, December 19, 2018, 6:00 PM, at the Wildflower Country Club, Temple, Texas. The featured speakers will be newly elected State Representatives Hugh Shine and Brad Buckley. They will be speaking briefly on the upcoming legislative session, recognizing our retiring County officials, and installing our 2019 Officers. We will have a few surprises; it is Christmas after all. This will be our last meeting at the Wild Flower Country Club. We are looking forward to new changes next year, meeting at The Gin in Belton on the third Monday of each month.

Please RSVP by Friday, December 14, 2018. Cost is \$30.00 PP Email: [ctrwpac@gmail.com](mailto:ctrwpac@gmail.com)  
Additional information is available on our website: [www.ctrw-pac.com](http://www.ctrw-pac.com)



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## **SALADO AREA REPUBLICAN WOMEN OFFICERS AND CHAIRMEN**

### **BOARD**

President	Barbara Swarthout <a href="mailto:barbaraswarthout@outlook.com">barbaraswarthout@outlook.com</a> 414-491-2341
1 <sup>st</sup> VP – Programs	TBD
2 <sup>nd</sup> VP – Membership	Jeanie K. Grant
3 <sup>rd</sup> VP – Fundraising	Dorothy Dentry
Secretary	Marjorie Hairston
Treasurer	Ann Moore

### **CHAIRMEN**

Chaplain	Bobi Anderson
Scholarships	TBD
Newsletter	Bobi Anderson
Campaign Activities	Barclay McCort and Jeanie K. Grant
Hospitality	Shelly Owen
Parliamentarian/Bylaws	Deborah Roberson
Awards	Shirley Stephenson
PAC Treasurer/Chairman	Paulette Chandler
Publicity	Barclay McCort
Literacy	Maurine Nathanson
Americanism/Caring for America	Kate McKinley
Legislative	Deborah Roberson
Historian	Nancy Norris
Technology	Michele Melsha
Greeter	LaNora Miller



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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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