

April 2019



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- April 5 – Pints and Politics, Dead Fish Grill, 6:00 p.m.
April 12 – SARW Board Meeting, Salado Public Library – 10:00 a.m.
April 12 – CTRW “Cocktails and Karaoke” Shilo Inn, 3701 S.W.S. Young Drive, Killeen,
7:00 – 10:00 p.m.
April 15 – CTRW Monthly Meeting, The Gin, Belton – 11:00 a.m.
April 25 – TFRW Legislative Day, Austin, Texas
April 27 – Deadline for May newsletter articles
May 2 – National Day of Prayer, Bell County Courthouse, (north side steps) 10:00 a.m.



PRESIDENT’S PEN – Barbara Swarhout

March was a very busy month for SARW. We had another successful Fine China Luncheon and appreciate all who supported this event. We will not be having a monthly meeting in April since many of our members are going to Legislative Day on April 25 in Austin. We hope you signed up to go or are still considering attending. It’s a great day – with a ‘sea of red’ TFRW members. SARW will cosponsor with CTRW a National Day of Prayer event on May 2 at the Bell County Courthouse from 10:00 to 10:30 a.m. More information will be sent shortly. I am so proud of this club, its Board and its many members. I would like to recognize all the hard work that the Committee and Board members worked on for the Fine China Luncheon. They are hard workers and great ladies who made this year’s event another wonderful success!

Keep Texas Red!

Barbara

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CHAPLAIN'S COLUMN – Bobi Anderson

Philippians 3:10 I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of His resurrection

Paul said had Christ not been raised from the dead that long-ago Easter morning, our faith was in vain – meaningless, useless. But He WAS raised and through that power, we are enabled to live as He lived. During His lifetime, Jesus resisted and refuted every claim people tried to lay on Him. He answered only to God, our Father. And by so doing, set Himself against the human institutions of religion and government of His day.

It was said that only a politician could rationalize the crucifixion of Jesus Christ – and one did (Pontius Pilate). The few people who were with Him when He died witnessed the beginning of the church era in God's economy. The first to meet Him after His resurrection (Mary Magdalene) and went to proclaim His victory even over death told the miracle that Jesus Christ is indeed Lord. And Paul said in Romans 14:11, the day will come that "every knee will bow and every tongue confess" His Lordship over all creation. Praise the Lord for Easter!

CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES AND COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS – Ann Moore

We need both Campaign and Community Service totals for the First Quarter, 2019. Associate Members' hours count, too. So, if you have a spouse who has earned hours and is an associate member, please report those separately to me. If you worked on the Fine China Luncheon this year, we would like those hours included in your campaign/political hours total. Please send your totals to me (mcmoore32-sarw@yahoo.com) as quickly as possible. And, of course, contact me if you have any questions.

2nd VP OF MEMBERSHIP – Marjorie Hairston

SARW currently has 103 members for 2019. Another call for new members will occur in April. Encourage your friends, spouses, family members to join our club. We do many political and civic activities throughout the year as well as bring interesting topics and presenters to our monthly meetings. A special orientation will be held at the May 23 meeting for all new 2019 members.

Requests for name tags are still being taken. Please be sure and sign up at our May meeting if you are interested in one.

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TREASURER'S REPORT – Ann Moore

The Fine China Luncheon and Fundraiser held on March 28, was very successful, netting over \$4,500. There were approximately 200 individuals in attendance. Thank you to all our many table sponsors and our Fine China Luncheon Committee members for their hard work. Special thanks to everyone for purchasing tickets and donating and purchasing silent auction items. The revenue from this project helps to provide scholarships for Salado High School seniors, provide significant funding to Republican candidates, and to support our other civic and military projects.

3rd VP OF FUNDRAISING – Dorothy Dentry

This year's Fine China Luncheon was a resounding success. As always, we are most grateful to those hosts and hostesses who decorated and sponsored tables. We had twenty individual tables and seven business tables. Judy Fields won the individual table competition and Lora Zuber, Watson Dental Lab, was the winner of the business entries. (Please see the pictures for both winners on the next page.) Our speaker, Toni Anne Dashiell, Republican National Committeewoman, Texas, did not disappoint the audience with her inspiring presentation. Many thanks go out to Mike and Linda Cornett who provided the beautiful Blue Heron Room at Tenroc for our luncheon. Our Fine China Luncheon Committee and SARW Board worked tirelessly to put together this event. Donations for the silent auction were provided by merchants, members, and many elected officials for which we are very grateful. As noted many times, these events enable SARW to give back to the community by sponsoring projects which include civic, military and political campaigns plus scholarships to Salado High School students. Thank you to everyone who attended and participated in our 2019 Fine China Luncheon.

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Judy Fields – Individual FCL Winner



**Lora Zuber, Watson Dental Lab
Business FCL Winner**

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SCHOLARSHIPS -LaNora Miller

Scholarship applications have been submitted to Salado High School for senior girls. The deadline for return of the application is May 10. The awards ceremony is May 28. If you know of any qualified applicants, please have them submit their applications. SARW gives two \$1,500 scholarships each year.

MILITARY SUPPORT FOR THOSE DEPLOYED – Barclay McCort

The SARW Board is supporting Joshua Coleman, son of our JP Cliff Coleman with three care packages this spring. He is deployed in the Middle East and expected to be in Iraq in June. We wish this Naval Academy graduate from Salado good luck and safe travels.

Barb Swarhout and I were invited to a Family Welcome Home event for the troops that we have been supporting in 2018. Pictured below is Commander Chris Kirkpatrick presenting a certificate of appreciation to Barb Swarhout, President, and Barclay McCort, Military Support Coordinator, of Salado Area Republican Women for the many care packages mailed to the deployed soldiers over the past nine months. (Note: In appreciation for all her hard work on this project, Barclay McCort was presented with the certificate at the recent Fine China Luncheon – Job well done, Barclay)



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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Jessica Menking Diem

In March, we saw one of the longest days of the legislature- budget night. State Representatives spent close to 12 hours discussing, debating, and amending House Bill 1. In the end, it was voted on unanimously. Among the dozens of great things HB 1 will do for Texas, it includes veterans' programming- programming for women veterans, veteran entrepreneur programs, and legal services for veterans. It also added \$9 billion to public education for teachers, students, and prioritizing school safety.

HB 1 is simply the framework for the House's priorities, and this week, we should see HB 2 and HB 3 coming to the House Floor. HB 2 and HB3 concern property tax reform and school finance reform, respectively. Because of the priorities set by Speaker Bonnen this session, we should see these two bills work in tandem to fix the formula to lower our property taxes by the state's addition to school funding. There are exciting things on the horizon- so keep watching!

On the Texas Senate side, we are seeing movement all the way around and bills making their third appearance. As we get closer to the end of session, we will see the Senate and House Conference Committees take shape to come to consensus on making new legislation happen.

As always, communication with your elected officials helps them legislate more effectively. When you see bills emerge that you are passionate about or that directly affect you, make contact with their offices and share your feelings and opinions.

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Lastly, if you've never had the opportunity to be a part of the legislative process, consider being a part of TFRW's Legislative Day on April 25th! It's a fantastic opportunity to meet and speak with legislators and their staffs, see the House and Senate in their chambers working on your behalf, and meet other Republican Women statewide.

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Republican Party of Bell County

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The Bell County Republican Party Website is being redesigned and updated by our IT Specialist Rich Kaye and his Assistant Katrina Callahan. After the Texas Legislative Session ends and all information is confirmed, it will be included in these updates.

Election Judges and Alternate Judges will soon be contacted to verify their willingness to serve in the November 5, 2019, Constitutional Election.

If you wish to be added to the Bell County Republican Party email distribution list to receive current information and updates, please send your name, address, phone number, email address, and Voting Precinct to belltxgop@gmail.com and your information will not be shared. You may unsubscribe at any time.

Nancy Boston, Chairman

Cell: 254-760-8155

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CENTRAL TEXAS REPUBLICAN WOMEN

CTRW will be holding a “Fun” draising Evening on Friday, April 12 from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. The event is called “Cocktails and Karaoke” and will include Karaoke, Dancing, Heavy Hor D’oeuvres, Cash Bar and other special surprises. The event will be held at the Shilo Inn, 3701 S. W.S. Young Drive in Killeen. Tickets are \$25.00 per person and must be purchased prior to the event. RSVP by Friday, April 5, 2019, and purchase tickets from Kathy Ruiz 254-681-2112 or Kathy.ruiz@eractx.com

CTRW will hold its monthly meeting April 15 at 11:00 a.m. at The Gin, Belton. Note that reservations are not required. Speakers for this meeting will be SREC SD24 Committeeman Jack Barcroft and SREC SD24 Committeewoman Summer Wise.

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SALADO AREA REPUBLICAN WOMEN OFFICERS

2019 BOARD AND CHAIRWOMEN

President	Barbara Swarthout barbaraswarthout@outlook.com 414-491-2341
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Awards	Shirley Stephenson
PAC Treasurer/Chairman	Paulette Chandler
Publicity	Barclay McCort
Literacy	Maurine Nathanson
Americanism/Caring for America	Kate McKinley
Legislative	Jessica Menking Diem
Historian	Nancy Norris
Technology	Michele Melsha
Greeter	TBD

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SALADO AREA REPUBLICAN WOMEN (SARW) MEMBERSHIP FORM FOR 2019

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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