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February, 2021

Happy 
Valentine's Day!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 4 – Legislative Day – Workshops, no Capitol Visits – Austin
February 5 – 10:00 a.m. SARW Board Meeting – Barclay McCort residence
February 15 – 11:00 a.m. CTRW General Meeting, The Gin, Belton, Texas
February 25 – 11:30 a.m. SARW General Meeting, Salado Civic Center
February 27 – Leadership Workshop – Burnet, Texas

**FEBRUARY 25, 2021 – SARW GENERAL MEETING, 11:30 A.M.
SALADO CIVIC CENTER**

**SPEAKER: TOM MAYNARD, CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE BOARD OF
EDUCATION**

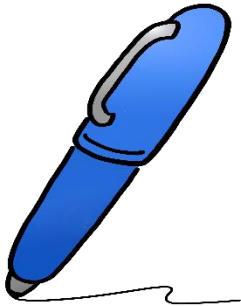
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PRESIDENT'S PEN – Barclay McCort



This month has several upcoming events. February 4th is Legislative Day when all the Republican Women usually show up at the Capitol dressed in red to show their support for conservative legislators. This year with limited attendance to the Capitol there will be no red jackets but rather a limited number of women attending workshops offsite. The workshops will discuss how to navigate the legislative experience and how to testify, among other things. Then, February 25th is our local general meeting with Tom Maynard from the State Board of Education. The Board has had several interesting discussions of what to add to the curriculum. You will not want to miss this year's events. Two days later several of your Board members will attend a Leadership Workshop in Burnet. I hope all of you are staying safe and are signed up for the vaccine. This will be a brighter year! May God Bless you and God Bless Texas!



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CHAPLAIN'S COLUMN – Janice Morin



Dear God,

We pray for our nation and ask that you look down on us in pity and mercy. Forgive us how we have turned our backs on You in so many ways. Bring us back as a people who seek to follow the ways of justice and peace. Amen.

1ST VICE PRESIDENT – PROGRAMS – Shirley Stephenson

Our February 25th luncheon speaker will be Tom Maynard, Chairman of the State Board of Education. He represents District 10 which covers all or portions of eighteen counties in Texas, including ours.

Tom Maynard was recently re-elected to his current position with the State Board of Education. As a former agriculture educator, he has also worked as a school board trustee and non-profit executive for over 30 years. He has earned national recognition for his service as the chief executive to the Texas FFA serving over 118,000 students on more than 1,000 Texas campuses. Under his leadership and using innovative technology, the FFA has doubled its membership.

Tom Maynard, a Republican, believes in accountability, transparency, local control, and a parent's right to direct the education of their child. He believes that our curriculum should be challenging, factual, created with input from stakeholders and should prepare our students for future success as citizens and leaders.

Please attend this important meeting, February 25th at 11:30 a.m. To reserve your spot, call Shirley Stephenson at (254) 338-5717 by February 22nd. Luncheon cost will be \$10 per person.



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2ND VICE PRESIDENT OF MEMBERSHIP – Marjorie Hairston

January will soon be over, and we are already thinking about the New Year's resolutions we made. I hope one of your resolutions was to renew your SARW membership for 2021. Renew now and enjoy the great upcoming programs SARW will offer this year. Remember, husbands and significant others can join as Associate members. With all the disastrous events of the past few months, we really need to show our continuing support for our Republican beliefs, be the cheerleaders and supporters of our elected local and national GOP representatives, and reiterate our desire and efforts to be good citizens to all we meet through community service projects. However, we cannot do this without your support. Since COVID has cancelled and/or changed many events, we need you to please renew your 2021 membership. We have received several new members, to include:

- Sue Barnes
- Karin Borman-Berg
- Allison Farrow
- Beverly Gillaspie
- Jeff Howard
- Brenda Keller
- Linda Wright

3RD VICE PRESIDENT OF FUNDRAISING – Sherril Gardipee

Our fundraising committee is preparing for our annual Fine China Luncheon this year to be held in June, so hopefully more people will be able to attend. Mark your calendar for Tuesday, June 8th at Tenroc Ranch, Blue Heron Room. Our goal is to have 25 hostesses who will sponsor a table for 6-8 guests. Even though June is a couple months away, please consider being a hostess. As a hostess, you are responsible for your table decor to include dishes and utensils. However, you are NOT responsible for selling tickets, but you can reserve tickets for yourself and friends. As for entertainment, plans are in the works to have a small style show! In the past, this has always been a long awaited and fun event. I am sure you will want to be a part of this year's gala! So, stay tuned for more information and contact me about your willingness to hostess a table, help out with the silent auction or style show. Your help and participation are greatly welcome and appreciated! You can contact me at 254-760-5738 or sherril.gardipee@gmail.com



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CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES – Brenda Howard

We recently completed our Campaign Activities Training with TFRW. The good news is that SARW is doing an excellent job reporting hours and has never missed any reporting period. The better news is that we can always improve and our goal is to have 100% reporting from all members!

Use a paper calendar, form or whatever you need to keep track of your hours and keep a monthly total handy so that when we report our quarterly hours, you'll be able to send the totals to me promptly. If you have any questions about campaign hours or community hours, feel free to contact me at brendaghoward@protonmail.com Thanks again for all your hard work in the community!

TECHNOLOGY CHAIR – Michele Melsha



Why join our Facebook page @sarwpac?

- Facebook makes it easy to reach out with others in our group.
- Communicating with our Facebook users is fast and easy.
- Stay on top of what SARW is doing.
- Facebook followers feel like they are part of our SARW family.
- Share with your friends and support our Republican message.

If you agree with these ideals, please join us on Facebook!



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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Barclay McCort

Legislative News from D.C.

President Donald Trump, in mid-January, signed a presidential memorandum that seeks to secure U.S. government-supported research and development (R&D) against interference and exploitation by foreign powers. Trump’s action seeks to enhance protections for United States R&D efforts, given their open and collaborative nature, and in light of their importance to national security and in keeping the country economically competitive, the White House Press Secretary announced in a recent statement.

*“The memorandum “ensures that Government-supported research can occur in an open environment and foster new discoveries for the benefit of our Nation while also protecting intellectual capital, discouraging research misappropriation, and ensuring the responsible management of United States taxpayer dollars.” **The Epoch Times by Tom Ozimek***

Legislative News from TEXAS

Last July delegates to the State Republican Party of Texas voted on eight Legislative Priorities they want to see passed in the upcoming session. These priorities are:

- **Election Integrity;**
- **Religious Freedom;**
- **Children and Gender Modification;**
- **Abolition of Abortion;**
- **Monument Protection;**
- **School Choice for All;**
- **Ban Taxpayer-Funded Lobbying.**

I hope you are following along to see what bills get to the floor for a vote. To follow our Texas Legislature’s actions go to:

[Texas Legislature Online - Legislation](#)

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Central Texas Republican Women will meet Monday, February 15, 2021, at The Gin, 219 S East Street, Belton. Meet and Greet/Registration will start at 11:00 a.m.; Meeting will be called to order at 11:30am. Cost is \$15.00 per person. NO RSVP is required.

Our top priority this year is Member Recruitment. This meeting will focus on Membership Orientation. Our TFRW President, Glynis Chester, our new Region XIII Deputy President, Cassie Dyson, and our SD24 District Director, Gail Teegarden, will all be speaking. We invite our sisters from SARW to attend and help us welcome these stellar women to Bell County.

Additional information is available on our website: www.ctrw-pac.com

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REPUBLICAN PARTY OF BELL COUNTY

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The Committee to recruit Precinct Chairs continues to meet to develop training and programs to involve more patriotic citizens to become politically involved. Precinct Chair 209, Harker Heights, has been identified. David Carter has taken the position of Volunteer Trainer. Contact the Headquarters if you have suggestions for Precinct Chairs. Precincts to be filled are listed.

106 Killeen	206 Killeen	309 Seaton/Rattibor
107 Bartlett	207 Killeen	310 Cyclone
109 Killeen	208 Killeen	314 Temple
110 Ft. Hood	301 Troy	404 Killeen
113 Belton	304 Temple	405 Killeen
204 Killeen	306 Temple	409 Killeen
205 Killeen	307 Temple	410 & 412 Killeen

To do nothing, be negative, or be divisive within our party will accomplish nothing. We must remain positive and work to elect Constitutional Conservative Candidates in order to preserve the values that made America the Beacon of Liberty.



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SALADO AREA REPUBLICAN WOMEN OFFICERS

2021 BOARD AND CHAIRWOMEN

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Personal Information:

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First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____ City _____ St _____ Zip _____

Name of spouse _____ Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____ Occupation: _____

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A SARW Member is a Republican woman who wants SARW to be her primary Federated Republican Women's club. An Associate Member is a Republican Woman who already belongs to a primary Federated Republican Women's Club and also wants to support SARW or is a Republican man who wants to support SARW.

Please return this form along with a check payable 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: Because we respect individual achievement with self-reliance

- Lower taxes & limited government
- Unlimited opportunity for all
- Security for the Homeland
- Parental authority &
- We respect individual achievement with self-reliance

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