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Central Texas RW President's Pen - Janet Brown

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A summer filled with gatherings, Legislative Special Sessions, Team Planning & Strategy, and a TFRW 3rd Quarter Board Meeting.

Great food and engaged political conversations have been the hallmark of the Club's RED Roof Connections at locations across Central Texas. Our members enjoy the RED Roof meetups because of the excellent opportunities to connect with Club members and the community, while supporting our vital Central Texas small businesses. These informal gatherings are re-imagining how the Club makes new essential connections and engages in current political conversations with our community.

At the July TFRW 3rd Quarter Board meeting held in Round Rock, TX – the 2026-2027 slate of Executive Officers was announced. Congratulations to the nominated TFRW Slate of Officers that will continue to propel Texas Republican Women forward. CTRW, which was recognized in several categories as an NFRW Awards Finalist, will represent TFRW at the September Convention. CTRW was recognized for the Club's Caring for America, Armed Services, and American Patriot Award submissions. Congratulations Club Members!

CTRW continues to seek innovative pathways to encourage, engage, and educate Republicans of all ages about politics and to run for office. The Club has seen explosive growth, as evidenced by 90 new members in 2025, and we're not finished, as all eyes turn to 2026 and beyond. Stay tuned for new ideas and opportunities as they roll out following a Strategic Planning Session conducted with the CTRW Executive Team & several new members.

Please make plans to attend the September 15th Network meeting as the Club welcomes Senator Pete Flores, a Border expert, as our Keynote Speaker. Be sure to RSVP. If you are considering running for an elected position, sign up to attend the "Essential Candidate Tools" event. And, in October, get ready for the Annual Chili Lunch Fundraiser with the addition of a Chili Challenge. So, dust off your famous "secret" Chili recipe to enter in the Challenge.

CTRW community – rev up your engines and prepare to keep Texas great and **RED**. Remember, **WE are STRONGER TOGETHER!**

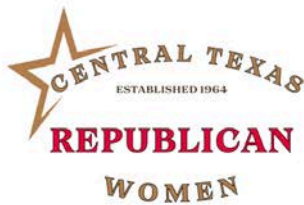
Janet Brown, CTRW President

September 2025 CTRW Newsletter



1st Vice President of Programs, Linda Atkins

"The State of the Texas Border - what has happened and what is ahead" will be the topic for the September 15th Networking Lunch Meeting. And, Central Texas RW is thrilled to announce that Texas Border expert Senator Pete Flores, who is the current Chair of the Senate Committee on Criminal Justice, is the keynote speaker. Please feel free to RSVP today and reserve your seat for this local and state update. We look forward to seeing you there! This is a meeting you will want to attend.



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CENTRAL TEXAS RW NETWORKING LUNCH

SEPTEMBER 15, 2025

11:00 AM - REGISTRATION/NETWORKING

11:30 AM - LUNCH SERVED

11:45 AM - CALLED TO ORDER

RSVP OR PRE-PAID TICKET IS REQUIRED BY 9/09/2025

EMAIL: rsvpctrw@gmail.com

PURCHASE TICKET- WWW.CTRW-PAC.COM

HARRIS COMMUNITY CENTER
401 N. ALEXANDER STREET, BELTON, TX



PETE FLORES

TEXAS STATE SENATOR SD24

CHAIR, SENATE COMMITTEE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

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PRE-Pay on Website

CLICK HERE

Note: Please include the names of all guests for which you are including in your 09/9/2025 RSVP. This will expedite your check-in. Many thanks!

Email: rsvpctrw@gmail.com

Per CTRW By-Laws Standing Rule G:

Members must pay reservations, if reserved and unused, when the organization is required to pay for such unused reservation.

COST: MEAL: \$20 Cash/Check or \$22 Credit Card
NO MEAL: \$10 Cash/Check or \$12 Credit Card - (No outside food is permitted)
RSVP REQUIRED by Tuesday, September 9th,
Email: rsvpctrw@gmail.com to pay at the door or prepay online.

MENU

LUNCH: SALAD BAR –
CHICKEN SALAD, CROISSANTS, CRAB SALAD,
BROCOLLI SALAD, PASTA SALAD, PEA SALAD,
TEXAS CAVIAR, TOSSED
SALAD, DESSERT, DRINK



2nd Vice President Membership, Marlean Druce



Happy Fall! We are excited to say we are closing out our 2025 membership year with some significant numbers. CTRW has grown over the years to reach 200 Primary members. Today, we only need **THREE** new Primary members to hit our goal. Please invite friends and family to one of our luncheons or events, and we'll take care of the rest!

Let me lay out a little back-of-the-envelope analysis on our numbers for this year.

2025 ends with:

199 Primary, 67 Associate/Youth (2) for a total of 266. Of these, we have 100 NEW members just in the last year. Big WOO-HOO!

Our club is attracting younger voters, and we want to support and encourage this. For instance, of our members who provided a birth year, we have 24 members under the age of 40.

199
+ 67

PRIMARY MEMBERS
JUMBO CLUB

ASSOCIATE & STUDENT
MEMBERS

266

Student Membership

"Students ages 18-26 (high school or college) with a student ID, for \$25.

Young ladies will count towards our Primary members, and young men will count as Associates.

Since 2023, we have had an overall 33% increase in members, including a 36% increase in Primary members. Since 2024, we have had an overall 28% increase in all members: a 30% increase just in Primary members. These numbers would not be where they are without the help and support of all our members. Y'all brought new faces to our club who joined, and they supported with friends and family joining. The power of five – you tell five people, they tell five people, and so on.

A special thanks to Cindy Pursell and her Community Engagement Team, who plan our Red Roof Connections to entice new people to check us out and join. Several board members, like Celeste Zadnichek, Linda Atkins, Kathy Ruiz, Sandra McCleney, and many others, also recruit at our events. I am grateful for your efforts and thank you so much. To help boost our numbers, we are offering a new 2026 Membership.

Hope to see everyone at our September luncheon, and remember, we need **FOUR NEW PRIMARY** members to hit our goal! Blessings to all.



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NEW Type of Membership:

We've always had our Associate Youth membership for aged 12-17, but for 2026 membership, CTRW is happy to announce a new **"Student" membership**.

If you have young adults in this category or know of any who may be interested in our club ideals and conservative values, please pass the information along and encourage them. We, the Republican Party, need our young people. They are our future, and we offer them a place to learn more about the local political arena, receive encouragement and mentoring, and share their ideas for our club moving forward.



Join ~ Renew

**2026 Membership Incentive
September 1st - October 31st**



Discount
\$25 Primary/Associate
\$150 - Patron

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Download a 2026 Membership Form

Mailing Info:

CTRW-PAC

P.O. Box 24

Belton, TX 76513

[Pay Online HERE](#)



PLUS...Join or Renew as a Central Texas RW Primary or Associate Member **September 1st through October 31st**. Your name will be entered in a drawing for your choice of a free lunch at a 2025 or 2026 Networking Lunch Meeting.

Join in person or online.

Plus, refer a New Member, who joins, and your name will be added to the drawing. (The referring member's name must be on the application).

Primary Member: Women

Associate Member: Men or member of other TFRW club

Youth Membership - 12-17 yrs

Student Membership - Student ID, 18-26 yrs

Patron Level - Primary or Associate

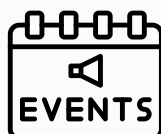


I Joined the Club, Now What?



- Read the newsletter and mark your calendars
- Keep an eye out on social media for upcoming events
- Visit <https://www.ctrw-pac.com/events>
- Reach out to other members and build relationships!
- Join a Committee by contacting the Executive Committee Chairwoman.

By joining CTRW, you become a member of our statewide organization, the **Texas Federation of Republican Women**, and our national organization, the **National Federation of Republican Women**.



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Monthly Newsletter



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“My Why”

Rebecca Weaver

Central Texas Republican Women's PAC



Last year, I was honored to be selected as a member of the second cohort of TFRW’s “40 Under 40” program. As Republican women, we are looking to continue the traditions that those before us have established. This program is a way to get involved in preparation for current and future leadership positions.

Each class of 40 women is selected from across the state’s various clubs. This, combined with building on the last class of women, provided a great occasion to network with other like-minded women. Many work in politics, but others do not. Selection also means the chance to participate in various events, such as lunch and learns. These allowed us to hop on Zoom and take a lunch break while hearing from impactful female voices, on topics ranging from politics and media to mentorship. Another logistical but important aspect that I so appreciated was that whatever your time constraints may be, you can do this. There is no pressure, only opportunities. As a postpartum mother of a 3 month old when applying, I was grateful to interact to the extent my schedule allowed.

The most important takeaway I have, though, is that being selected helped me to further engage with CTRW and TFRW. It helped me begin to take ownership and feel truly part of my club and its community.

The “40 Under 40” is so unique, and I’m grateful for the innovation in creating and continuing it, and for the honor of being selected last year. To any of my fellow members under 40, I want to encourage you to consider applying for the upcoming cohort of this great program!



September BIRTHDAYS

Adrienne Santaliz	September 5
Cari Starritt-Burnett	September 6
Gayle Conger	September 7
Janice Gildein	September 9
Dawna Mischian	September 9
Sarah Ash	September 10
Janet Brown	September 13
Christine Davis	September 14
Brad Buckley	September 14
Tom Pursell	September 14
Dennis Henry	September 15
Judy Pierson	September 16
Theresa Schwab	September 16

Ted Duffield	September 17
Cheyenne Minick	September 18
Natalie Austin	September 19
Laurianne Balkum	September 22
Beatrice Cox	September 22
Linda Atkins	September 25
La-Juania Jones	September 25
Crystal Cloud	September 25
JoAnne Trower	September 27
Velva Johnson	September 29
Sheila Lennox	September 29
Jeffrey Parker	September 29
Lou Minnick	September 30
Andrea Wilkey	September 30



3rd VP Fundraising, Rebecca Tong

I am pleased to report on a **SUCCESSFUL** event for our **CTRW FUNdraising Team**.

Our July **"BBQ, Boots, and Bling"** event at Big Hoss BBQ in Killeen attracted many fantastically familiar faces. Still, interestingly, many new members and politically engaged individuals were in attendance. There were numerous live auction items and a Legislative update from State Representatives, Hillary Hickland and Dr. Brad Buckley.

This event enabled us to add **\$7,000 to our candidate account**, which supports the electing of Republicans State & Local candidates that will be on the Ballot in 2026.

What an honor it is to be a member of CTRW!

Upcoming Events and Fundraiser

We are currently preparing for our annual Chili Luncheon Fundraiser, scheduled for October 13th at Cathedral Oaks in Belton, TX. I will soon reach out to request volunteers for chili preparation with all the fixins' and desserts. This year, we are introducing a new feature: **The Chili Challenge**.

There will be twelve available spots, and members are welcome to partner with one another for the chance to earn bragging rights. Since this will be our maiden voyage on the Chili Challenge hopefully it will be a success, we will have fun and we will raise more money for Republican Candidates!



Categories

Best Presentation
Best Smell
Best Flavor
Best Texture
Best Overall

To participate in the challenge or assist with food and beverage arrangements, please email:
reb_tong@yahoo.com or text 254-760-3963.

Thank you to our FUNdraising team for their dedication to each event's success, and to all CTRW members for your continued support and involvement.



Chaplain, Rebecca Tong

Welcome back!

As we approach the transition from a mild summer to autumn, I hope that everyone enjoyed a restful and peaceful summer break.

Even during the summer break, CTRW members remained active, engaged, and stayed informed on matters such as the 89th Legislature and ongoing redistricting discussions. Multiple perspectives have been expressed throughout these conversations. The House has faced allegations of misinformation and not telling the truth at times on several topics, prompting me to reflect on the nature of truth. In recent years phrases like “my truth” or “your truth” have become common, that challenges the notion of absolute truth and suggests that there is no truth; instead, truth is in the eye of the beholder; truth is whatever you say it is or want it to be.

The Bible contains many verses emphasizing the importance of truth in a believer’s life.

Truth serves as a guiding principle, much like a rudder that keeps a ship on course. The rudder keeps the ship on track regardless of how high the waves or how strong the winds blow. A life that is not based on “true truth” will be tossed about by life’s circumstances like a ship without a rudder.

Jesus prayed that God would sanctify believers with His truth, concluding, “Your word is truth” (John 17:17). There is no “my truth” or “your truth”; there is only God’s truth which is found in His Word.

There is no better way to “gird up the loins of your mind” (1 Peter 1:13) than by meditating on the truth of Scripture.

As Martin Luther said, “The word of God is perfect; it is precious and pure; it is truth itself.”

Your Servant in Christ, Rebecca Tong
reb_tong@yahoo.com, 254-760-3963



The Year of Membership

Central Texas RW values each and every member that decides to “plant their flag” in the mission to encourage, educate, and engage Republicans. Sometimes it’s the little things that show how much we appreciate YOU, like a Birthday or Thinking of you greeting.

Kudos to Jane Aguirre, CTRW Corresponding Secretary, who serves behind the scenes to send out handwritten notes & cards to our membership.



Caring for America Chair, Kathy Ruiz



I pray everyone had a wonderful and relaxing summer as we took a few months off. Thanks to our fun Red Roof Connections, we managed to stay engaged the last several months, but I sure have missed my CTRW family. I am so looking forward to seeing everyone again at our upcoming September meeting.

This year, your Caring for America team will continue supporting the **Children's Advocacy of Central Texas (CACC)**, the **Killeen Food Care Center (KFCC)**, and our dedicated **Border Patrol** men & women. We also hope to expand our reach in support of teachers and first responders. I aim to build a network of community partners willing to "adopt" one of these agencies one month out of the year.

Join in and sign up as the Club "Walks Against Domestic Violence on October 4th .



As our outreach grows, so must our team. If you are a business owner or know of one who would be interested in partnering with us, please let me know. If you are interested in serving our community with me, please contact me via email (Kathy.ruiz@eractx.com).

Romans 12:13 says: "Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality." Ephesians 6:7 says: "Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not people." It is my hope and prayer that more of you will become part of the Caring for America team as we work together to honor God in service to our community and

KEEPING TEXAS RED. [FOOD CARE CENTER KILLEEN, TEXAS](#)



REGISTER NOW

WALK AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
START LINE

Sat. Oct. 4th
10am to 12pm
Lions Club Park

5th Annual Domestic Violence Awareness Walk

This is a free community event to bring awareness & support to victims and survivors of domestic violence. Join us for light refreshments, music, and a 1 mile educational walk.

Visit our community partner booths for free resources. Finisher medals to first 250 walkers!

Sat. October 4, 2025
Lions Club Park
1700 E Stan Schlueter Lp, Killeen

For More Information Contact
Kim Isett at (254) 501-7698

Hosted by the
Killeen Police Department



YOU ARE WANTED IN ATTENDANCE

CACCT WILD WEST CASINO NIGHT

Lone Star = \$140 (single ticket)	Six Shooter = \$750 (Table for 6)
In Cahoots = \$260 (Two Tickets)	A Corral = \$1000 (Table for 8)

SADDLE UP FOR A ROOTIN'-TOOTIN' NIGHT OF CASINO GAMES, A DELICIOUS DINNER, DRINKS, AND A SILENT & LIVE AUCTION—ALL IN SUPPORT OF THE CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER OF CENTRAL TX! JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF RIP-ROARIN' FUN WHILE MAKING A REAL DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF CHILD ABUSE SURVIVORS!

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 13
At 05:30 pm

SCAN TO GET TICKETS OR MORE INFO
OR GO TO CACCT.COM/EVENTS

FRANK W. MAYBORN CENTER
3303 N. 3rd St. Temple, TX





Community Engagement, Cynthia Pursell

RED ROOF Connection Events

'Tis the Season, election season that is! Come on out and enjoy a fun and relaxing time connecting with your community all the while supporting your local small businesses. You also, may notice that our lively Red Roofs Connections will have a bit of added pizzazz to them, with more of our local Republican Representatives showing up to connect with you, their community. So, Join us in a place where likeminded citizens can connect and make the difference together.

E3Rs

*Educate *Encourage *Engage *Republican



Next Red Roof Events:

**Central Texas Republican Women
RED ROOF Connections**

Coffee

**Tuesday, September 09, 2025
9:00 am - 11 am**

Bite the Bagel
2710 S. Clear Creek Rd, Ste 101
Killeen, TX

Eat, meet, talk politics, and support local small business.



**Central Texas Republican Women
RED ROOF Connections**

MASFAJITAS
RESTAURANT
Great Food & Margaritas

**WEDNESDAY, September 17, 2025
11 am - 1 pm
MasFajitas
1902 SW HK Dodgen Loop, Temple, TX**

EAT

LUNCH BREAK!

SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESS

Eat, meet, talk real politics, and support local small business.

**Central Texas Republican Women
RED ROOF Connections**

**Thursday, September 23, 2025
6:00 pm - 9 pm**

Bold Republic Brewing
7070 Stonehollow Dr, Temple, TX

Eat, meet, talk real politics, and support local small business.

CTRW Texas Round-Up Time

September 30, 2025

2026 Membership Kick-off
& Meet Elected Officials & 2026 Candidates

A poster for the "Texas Round-Up Time" event. It features a red ribbon, a cowboy hat, a lasso, a spurs, a cowboy boot, and an American flag. The text reads: "Texas Round-Up Time Republican Elected Officials & 2026 Candidates", "Tuesday, September 30, 2025", "6 pm - 9 pm", "Clem Mikeska's", "1217 S 57th Street, Temple, TX", and "Eat, meet, talk politics, and support local small business." Logos for "CENTRAL TEXAS REPUBLICAN WOMEN" and "RED ROOF CONNECTIONS" are also present.

Texas Round-Up Time
Republican Elected Officials
& 2026 Candidates

Tuesday, September 30, 2025
6 pm - 9 pm
Clem Mikeska's
1217 S 57th Street, Temple, TX

Eat, meet, talk politics, and support local small business.

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MARK YOUR CTRW CALENDARS



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September 4	CTRW Executive Board Mtg, Bell County Courthouse, Noon, Belton, TX
September 9	RED Roof Connections - CoffeeTime, Bite the Bagel, Killeen, TX
September 15	CTRW Networking Meeting, Harris Community Ctr, Belton, TX
September 17	RED Roof Connections - Lunch Break, Temple, TX
September 20	CTRW Candidate Education Event - "Essential Tools for the Candidates", Temple, TX
September 23	RED Roof Connections - Bold Republic Brewing, Temple, TX
September 25-28	NFRW 43rd Biennium Convention, Orlando, FL
September 30	RED Roof Connections, Membership Kick-off & Candidate Meet, Clem Mikeska, Temple
October 2	CTRW Executive Board Mtg, Bell County Courthouse, Noon, Belton, TX
October 13	Chili Lunch Fundraiser, Cathedral Oaks Event Ctr, Belton, TX



Theresa Schwab, Americanism Chair

Each year on September 17th, our nation recognizes Constitution Day—a time to reflect on the document that has shaped our freedoms for more than two centuries. It's not only a day to honor history, but also an opportunity to educate the next generation about the rights and responsibilities that come with being an American.

One of the most meaningful ways to celebrate Constitution Day is by giving students their very own copy of the U.S. Constitution. These handy booklets make history tangible and encourage young people to connect with the freedoms we enjoy. Amazon has pocket Constitutions in bulk packages as small as 12, with overnight delivery making it easy and affordable, whether you are supporting one classroom or an entire school.

Dates to remember:

September 2nd - VJ Day

September 11th - Patriots Day (Remembrance)

September 17th - Constitution Day

September 25, 1981 - Sandra Day O'Connor became the first female Supreme Court Justice

As we look ahead to the fall, we're also excited to continue another special tradition—writing cards for veterans at the William R. Courtney State Veterans Home. Last year's effort brought so much joy to the residents, and we look forward to doing it again this year. These handwritten notes are a simple but powerful way to say “thank you” to the men and women who have served our nation with courage and sacrifice. During our September and October meetings, we invite you to take a few minutes to write a note or two. We have all the supplies for you!



Honor a Veteran



In 2024, many of you had the honor to attend the Central Texas RW 60th Anniversary Gala, and meet an extraordinary hero - Colonel Jerry Curtis, Vietnam POW.

Col. Curtis and his wife Terry memorial will be held 19 September 2025 at 1000 at Taylor Valley Baptist Church in Temple followed by their funeral at Texas State Veterans Cemetery at 1400.



Colonel Curtis as Keynote Speaker at CTRW 60th Gala Celebration in February 2024





Political Activities Chair, Christine Demirs

“The Golden Age of America Begins Right Now.” —President Donald J. Trump

Welcome to fall and the upcoming primary season! The 89th Texas Legislative Special Session is going strong, with the primary season right around the corner. Voicing your opinion and concerns about crucial Republican platform priorities to your State Representative and State Senator via phone calls, texts, and emails is still crucial when the Legislature is in session. Continuing to be engaged with local, state, and national politics is an ongoing activity for CTRW members. Please remember to track your hours and calls when engaged in the political process.

3rd Quarter Hours Due October 4th July, August, & September

We need **two** numbers from you:



Total number of hours.

Total number of calls.

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Political Activity

2024 Cumulative Hours: 94,024
2024 Cumulative Phone Calls: 14,998

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2025 2nd Quarter Hours: 28,047
2025 2nd Quarter Phone Calls: 4647

2025 Cumulative Hours: 56,273
2025 Cumulative Phone Calls: 9839

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We now have a digital form to report your quarterly totals for political hours and political calls:

REPORT

CTRW—PAC Political Activity Hours

Help CTRW receive recognition for time spent on activities that benefit our Republican Party, Candidates, and club.

Anything political counts, including preparation and travel time.

Paid hours count if not your primary job.

Work/Time Spent can be at any location:

At home, driving, restaurants, hotels, meetings, etc.

Every quarter, please report estimate total hours (details not needed) and phone calls.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Christina Demirs

c.mclaughlin01@outlook.com

Q: Who can report Political Hours?

A: Primary and Associate Members

Q: What Qualifies as Political Hours?

A:

Q&A

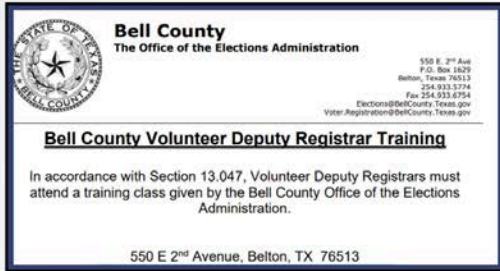
HOURS	EVENT OR ACTIVITY
	EVENTS & EVENT PLANNING: In person, conference, or web—based activities. Includes time organizing, planning, preparing, and clean-up.
	MEETINGS: General monthly meetings, travel time to and from meeting, board/committee meetings, meeting prep and set-up, ZOOMS, Summer Socials, Red Roof Connection
	CAMPAINING; Sign distribution, telephone, texting, door knocking, attending or hosting campaign events.
	POLLS: Poll greeting, Poll watching, Election Judge, Election clerk, Precinct Chairs
	CONVENTIONS: TFRW Meetings & Convention, Precinct, County, State Conventions, National Conventions.
	EXTRA: Watch Politics on TV, Volunteering at GOP headquarters
	TOTAL MONTHLY HOURS
	TOTAL PHONE CALLS

Volunteer Deputy Registrar Training Registration

There is always a need for more volunteer deputy registrars (VDRs). If you are interested, there are training opportunities scheduled on Thursday, September 11th at various times at the Temple Public Library. Here is a link to the Bell County Election website for dates and more information:

CTRW registered 209 voters in 2024. If you are a VDR or receive your certification, please track the number of voters registered and report to Christina Demirs or President, Janet Brown.

Bell County Volunteer Deputy Registrar Training



RSVP by calling **254-933-5774**

Or email at

Voter.Registration@bellcounty.texas.gov



Training Dates:

Thursday, 11th September 2025

- 11:00 PM - 12:00 PM,
- 12:05 PM - 1:00 PM
- 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

(Location: Temple Public Library (McLane Room, 3rd Floor,
100 W Adams Avenue, Temple, TX 76501)



*Due to limited space, RSVP
three business days prior.

 **REGISTER NOW**



**CTRW members at VDR Training
at "The Tank". Take your picture and email
it to Celeste so we can count you in.**



**Volunteers are needed to serve as
Election Clerks & Judges** in the
upcoming Election Cycle. Please get in
touch with Bell County Republican
Party Elections Director, Jeff Howard,
at elections@belltxgop.org with
questions about serving and training.



**Bell County Republican Party
Elections Director: Jeff Howard
elections@belltxgop.org**

Central Texas RW - Primary Members

Get ready for TFRW Convention



Save the Date

October 23-25, 2025

Texas Federation of Republican Women

***** *35th Biennial Convention* *****

Grand Hyatt, San Antonio, TX
HOTEL RESERVATIONS AVAILABLE NOW

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Reserve your room at the Grand Hyatt and find tentative Event Schedule [HERE](#)

Join in the FUN of Convention as a CTRW Delegate or Alternate Delegate. Are you interested in attending the upcoming TFRW Convention in San Antonio, Texas, from October 23 to 25, 2025? If so, email President Janet Brown and let her know because the Club will fund your Registration Fee (Primary Members only & Early Bird of \$199.00).

Central Texas Republican Women
Janet Brown, President
contactctrw@gmail.com



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**REPUBLICAN
WOMEN**

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CTRW-PAC TFRW Diamond Achievement CLUB

*Club sizes are determined by the number
of PRIMARY members.*

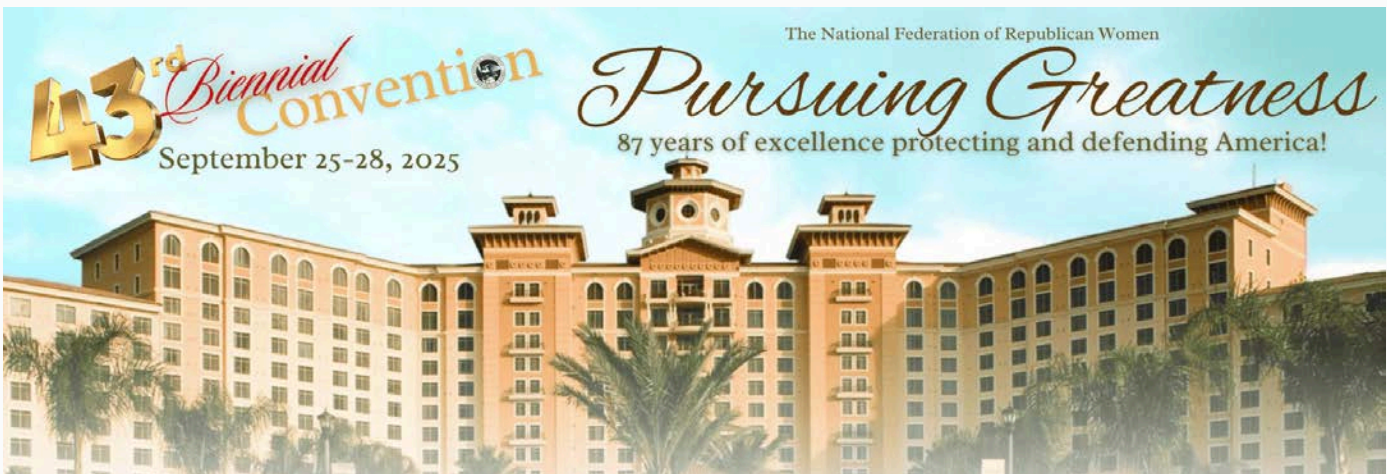
This prestigious pin is a reflection of the dedication of our club and only available to Central Texas RW members.

The Club worked hard to earn it, **get yours today.**

Central Texas Republican Women at NFRW Convention

Delegate: Janet Brown

Alternate Delegate: Rebecca Tong



Congratulations

Uniting Republican Women for Texas

NFRW Awards Finalists Submitted for TFRW Representation at NFRW Convention

One of the highlights presented at the 3rd Quarter Board Meeting, July 19th, was the announcement of those clubs chosen to have their awards applications submitted to NFRW to be considered for national recognition and the National Award. Thank you to all Awards Chairs and their committees for their diligent work in choosing the very best submissions. Those clubs chosen to represent TFRW are listed below:

NFRW Armed Services Award

San Angelo Republican Women
Finalist - Medium Club

Republican Women of Kerr County
Finalist - Large Club

Central Texas Republican Women ★
Finalist - Mega Club

NFRW Caring for America Award

Angleton Republican Women
Finalist - Small Club

Salado Area Republican Women
Finalist - Medium Club

Republican Women of Kerr County
Finalist - Large Club

Central Texas Republican Women ★
Finalist - Mega Club

NFRW American Patriot Award

Cynthia Purcell ★
Central Texas Republican Women

63 Clubs submitted applications for the
NFRW Club Achievement Award. ★

Congratulations to all our finalists!



Legislation Chair: Lou Barbosa Minick

"Aggressive fighting for the right is the noblest sport the world affords." ~ Theodore Roosevelt

Governor Abbott has called two special sessions to the 89th Legislature. These sessions are convened to address specific and urgent issues that require legislative action and are deemed necessary by the Governor. Multiple sessions can be called, and each session can last up to 30 days.

Legislative Sessions 2025

Regular session - January 14, 2025 through June 2, 2025.

First called special session - July 21, 2025 through August 15, 2025 (26 days).

Second called special session – August 15, 2025 – to be determined.

Our Governor, along with our Central Texas Representatives, is fighting for all Texans. The topics that Governor Abbott has declared as critical and must be addressed during these special sessions are as follows:

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| ☒ Water project incentives | ☒ Flood warning systems |
| ☒ State Judicial Department | ☒ Flood emergency communications |
| ☒ Cut property taxes | ☒ Relief funding for Hill Country floods |
| ☒ Eliminate STAAR Test | ☒ Natural disaster preparation and recovery |
| ☒ Protect children from THC | ☒ Police personnel records |
| ☒ Regulate hemp derived products | ☒ Protect women's spaces |
| ☒ Protect unborn children | ☒ Attorney General election powers |
| ☒ Protect human trafficking victims | ☒ Redistricting |
| ☒ Ban taxpayer funded lobbying | ☒ Title, Theft & Deed Fraud |

We want to congratulate Brad, Hillary, and Pete for a successful 89th legislative session; and to thank all the folks that helped with the legislative process. We have attached the August legislative taskforce report.



[Legislative Task Force Report](#)

Let us continue to pray for our Governor and our legislators as they have challenging times ahead of them.
May God Bless You All and Bless Our Great State of Texas.

Lou Barbosa Minick

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Texas House Representative Dr. Brad Buckley, District 54

Texas House Representative Hillary Hickland, District 55

Texas Senator Pete Flores, District 24

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PRESENTERS



Rossanne Fisher
Justice of the Peace



Dr. Brad Buckley
TX House Representative



Jessica Diem
Campaign Expert



Shay Luedeke
Tax Assessor/Collector



Hillary Hickaland
TX House Representative



Greg Reynolds
County Commissioner



Addie Baird
County Chairwoman









ESSENTIAL CANDIDATE TOOLS

SEPTEMBER 20, 2025
9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Register Now

Northside Church of Christ
3401 North 3rd Street, Temple, Texas

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WOMEN
★ Help ★ Elect ★ Republicans ★

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Essential Candidate Tools

Central Texas Republican Women RED Roofs Connection course, “Essential Candidate Tools,” begins at 9 am. Hear from a panel of tested Republican leaders, from diverse backgrounds and experiences, who will share the truth, success tips, and even the “not so glamorous” aspects of the campaign trail. In addition to the Panel discussion, you will come away with the tools and vital insights from experts to be a more confident and better-prepared candidate.

- Bring a “stump or elevator pitch” - Each participant will have the opportunity to share their “stump” pitch with members of the panel for input. Please sign up if you want to participate.

Whether you’ve thought about running for a city council, school board, or have higher aspirations to serve on a county, state, or federal level, or want to be part of a candidate’s team, this is an event to attend.

Here are some of the questions we will answer: “Where do I start?”. How big a team do I need, and who should be on my team? Can I run a campaign from my kitchen table, or do I need to hire a consultant? Will I need a website and social media accounts? What is it like to be on the Campaign Trail as a Candidate? How can friends and family support the efforts of a candidate on the campaign trail?

This event is **FREE**, but Registration is requested due to limited space. You can register online today and be sure to invite a friend or two. RSVP can be made at ctrw1svp@gmail.com or online at www.ctrw-pac.com





Club Candidate Fairness & Endorsement Policy

Bylaws of Central Texas Republican Women

Article III - Section 3. Endorsement Policy.

A. The Club as a whole and its President and Political Activities Chair shall not publicly endorse any candidate for public office in contested Republican primaries, runoff elections, and special elections, and/or non-partisan elections when more than one Republican is in the race. Individual members of this organization may work for the candidate of their choice in contested Republican primaries, but not in the name of the Club or Federation.

B. No candidate shall use the TFRW logo in any political advertising, and any political advertising shall contain the following disclaimer: "This endorsement is given by the individual(s) only, NOT the Texas Federation of Republican Women."

Section 9. Candidate Fairness: After the end of the candidate filing period for any office and ending the day after the final election for that office, it is the policy of TFRW that all Republican candidates for that office shall be treated fairly and equitably. When one Republican candidate for an office is invited to speak at a Federation or local club meeting, then all Republican candidates for that office shall be offered equal presentation time at the same meeting or another meeting before the election.

Section 10. Split Ticket. Neither the Club nor an individual member shall advocate a split ticket, support an opposition party candidate, or act against the NFRW or State Federation policies and bylaws.

[Link to By-Laws](#)

IMPORTANT ELECTION DATES

November 4, 2025 - Constitutional Election and Special Election for CD18

Sep 3	Last day for candidates to file for CD18 Special Election
Oct 6	Last day to Register to Vote
Oct 20	First day of Early Voting in person
Oct 24	Last day to Apply for a Ballot by Mail (RECEIVED, not postmarked)
Oct 31	Last day of Early Voting in person

Mar 3, 2026 - Primary Election

Sep 9	Precinct Chair (only) filing begins
Nov 8	First day for all other candidates to file
Dec 8	Last day for all candidates to file
Feb 2	Last day to Register to Vote
Feb 17	First day of Early Voting in person
Feb 20	Last day to apply for a Ballot by Mail (RECEIVED, not postmarked)
Feb 27	Last day of Early Voting in person
Mar 3	PRIMARY ELECTION DAY



NOTICE
ELECTIONS
AHEAD

Candidate Decorum at CTRW Functions

There will be a table available for Candidates to place material. Please pick up material after the function.

- No political campaign material is allowed on lunch tables.
- Networking is encouraged and a great way to meet new people and hone communication skills.
- Candidates, if you have a campaign treasurer and have filed intent with the SOS, you may identify yourself and the position you intend to run for (no campaign speech, please follow guidance by Club President).

Federal & Congressional Candidates

Central Texas RW is a State/Local PAC and campaign activities by Federal or Congressional Candidates are not permitted (campaign signage or material or speaking about your campaign) at the Club meetings - special events or on the function premises.

Serve on the 2026 Nominations Committee

The Nominations Committee will be formed at the September Members Meeting and will meet soon after to elect a Chair. Once the Committee is formed, interested Primary Members may submit their names and the positions they are seeking. Please consider serving on the Nomination Committee, which will help to create a slate for the 2026 Elected Executive Officers. If you would like to serve or have questions, please get in touch with CTRW President Janet Brown at janetlynbrown@gmail.com or call (254) 541-2307.



Serve on the 2026 Executive Committee as an Elected Officer or Appointed Chair

The call to serve as a 2026 CTRW Executive Officer is open to all Primary Members.

If your immediate response is "yes," then we want you to know there is a place for you, and you should read further. Please review the following questions when applying for the CTRW Executive Officer of Appointed Chair position. Serving on the Executive Committee is rewarding, exciting, and has high growth potential as CTRW is the fastest and largest Club in Central Texas. We need you!.

- Are you familiar with the duties and descriptions of CTRW's Executive Officers and Appointed Chairs?• The elected Executive Officers are the President, the First Vice President for programs, the Second Vice President for membership, the Third Vice President for fundraising, the Secretary, Treasurer, and the PAC Treasurer. All other Chair positions are appointed by the President.• Do you have a first and second choice?
- Are you a Team Player and ready to make a difference?
- What personal experiences qualify you for the position you are considering?
- What would you do to enhance the position?
- Are you supportive of the Republican Party and TFRW/NFRW values?
- How much time are you committed to doing this job?
- Executive Officers and Appointed Chairs are expected to attend Board Meetings, Membership Lunch Network Meetings and Events. Travel and hotel expenses for training and events are at your cost. Can you do this, and will you serve?

2025 Central Texas Republican Women

Executive Team Roster

President: Janet Brown

janetlynbrown@gmail.com ph: 254-541-2307

1st Vice President

Linda Atkins

2nd Vice President

Marlean Druce

3rd Vice President

Rebecca Tong

Secretary

Susan Burchfield

Treasurer/PAC

Wanita Reeder

Parliamentarian/ByLaws

Zenia Warren

Political Activities

Christina Demirs

Americanism

Theresa Schwab

Awards

Natalie Austin

Caring For America

Chaplain

Corresponding Secretary

Legislative

Literacy

Communications

Community Engagement

Past President

Scholarship Foundation

Kathy Ruiz

Rebecca Tong

Jane Aguirre

LouAnn Minnick

Marlene DiLillo

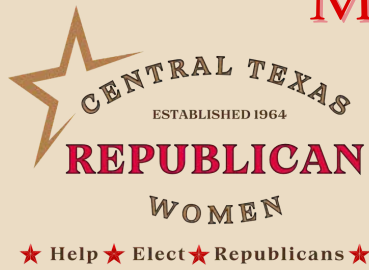
Celeste Zadnichek

Cynthia Pursell

Zenia Warren

Zenia Warren, Kathy Ruiz, Wanita Reeder

MEMBER CLUB ACTIVITIES



BBQ, Boots and Bling Fundraiser Killeen, Texas



House Representative
Hillary Hickland



House Representative
Brad Buckley



Salado Area RW Annual Tea Fundraiser



CTRW Members Attending the Belton Chamber of Commerce Ribbon Cutting, to Support CTRW Member, Lisa Copeland



Todd Staples, Texas Oil & Gas Keynote Speaker Leander Area Luncheon

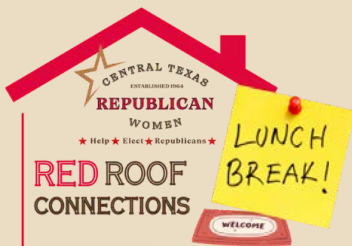


Harker Heights Chamber After Hours "Luau"



Moffat Volunteer Fire Department Fundraiser at Three Creeks Winery







Club Executive Team Strategic Planning Day

Goals



Success Takes Consistency



Join as a Committee Team Member

Caring for America
Community Engagement
Membership Outreach
Americanism/Armed Services
Fundraising
Hospitality
Newsletter/Social Media/Website



Community Engagement



Fundraising & Membership



Caring for America



Hospitality & Political Activities

Join The

Communications Team

Do you have skills in the following?

Graphic design
WiX web pages
Mail-chimp
Digital Productivity Skills
Writing Press Releases
Blogging
Podcasting
Video editing
Instagram expert
Facebook expert
X expert
Tik-Tok expert
Meta Suite Experience
Editorial Skills





Thursday, September 4, 2025
6:00 -8:00PM
2207 Lake Rd,
Belton, Texas 76513

Pints and Politics is a monthly social gathering of like minded conservatives to respectfully express ideas, make new contacts, meet candidates and elected officials, and share information of current events.



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**Bell County
 Young Republicans**



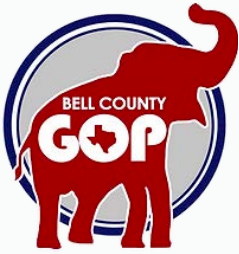
Are you a Veteran? Is your Spouse?

Name, Rank, Branch and Service Status, Club Name and a Photo. (Preferably one of the veteran in uniform. Most veterans have those photos available.)





A Word from the Desk of Bell County Chair, Addie Baird



Addie Baird
CHAIR

(254) 322-3232
chair@belltxgop.org

Executive Committee Meeting Bell County Republican Party

Monday, October 6, 2025

Commissioner's Courtroom Historic Belton Courthouse
101 East Central Avenue
Belton, TX 76513

2026 Candidate Filing Event: 5:00 - 6:00 PM

Learn how to fill out the forms and pay the fees required to file for an office through the 2026 Republican Primary Election.

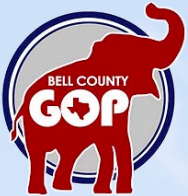
CEC Meeting: 6:00 PM

All Republicans invited to attend

Open Precinct Chair Positions

Bell County Republican Party Precinct Chair.

Are you interested in serving your Bell County community in a political capacity as a Precinct Chair? - We Need YOU to keep Bell County **RED**. Please contact County Chair Addie Baird for more information about serving your community as a Precinct Chair and to apply.



Bell County Republican Party

Learn More

About Us

We are a volunteer organization that consists of our County Chair, Addie Baird, Officers, Coordinators, and 62 Precinct Chairs known as the County Executive Committee (CEC). We are committed to securing and increasing transparency to our elections, facilitating competitive and fair primaries, and electing Republicans in November. The CEC meets once a month and conducts the business of the Party.

