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President's Pen

We are Republicans—we vote for Republicans and support Republicans. It's a simple and clear message of unity. As local elections continue, "Help Elect Republicans"—a motto so vital that the founding Central Texas

Republican Women proudly included it on the Club's logo—remains more relevant than ever. Our fight is not with each other but is a unified fight for "America First" values.

What the Club does matters. Recently, someone remarked, "I see CTRW members involved and attending everywhere—thank you and keep up the good work!" Our members don't just support this mission—they live it. Several have stepped forward as candidates, while others have served as campaign coordinators, election clerks, and judges. Republican Women are actively engaged in every aspect of the political process, exercising Candidate Fairness, while making a meaningful and powerful impact in our communities that help shape the future of our party.

The values the Club stands for matter. April has been full of opportunities of Americanism, political activism, and Caring for America as Republican Women work to support Party priorities by serving or participating throughout our community at meaningful events. As a Club member, your involvement continues to make a positive difference.

Our April Networking event was truly a time of celebration as the Club hosted its annual Scholarship Endowment & Teacher Award Luncheon. The program featured an inspiring presentation from Club Member, author, and entrepreneur Lisa Copeland, whose message left attendees energized and motivated to pursue their dreams. During this special gathering, we were proud to

award scholarships to two graduating seniors and recognize two outstanding public-school teachers for their dedication and impact. Be sure to read more about these deserving recipients on pages 7 through 8.



2026 Scholarship Recipients and their parents with Janet Brown and Zenia Warren.

Looking ahead, make plans now to attend upcoming events like our RED Roof Connections or May Networking Lunch—an opportunity to connect, engage, and stay informed. For May, we are honored to host Debra Coffey for a meaningful Memorial Day program titled "Bringing Daddy Home." Be sure to make plans to attend our May 11th meeting—please note this date is one week earlier than our usual schedule.

Central Texas Republican Women, your membership is more than an affiliation—it is a powerful networking tool grounded in purpose, leadership, and meaningful impact within today's political landscape. As we move beyond the Primary Elections, it is essential that Republicans come together in unity—locking arms to support one another and ensure that America First and Texas First principles continue to move forward. I encourage each of you to share the gift of membership within your sphere of influence. By doing so, you help strengthen our mission to encourage, educate, and engage Republicans to run for office, vote, and be elected. Together, we are stronger. A strong Texas builds a strong America.

Janet Brown, CTRW President

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1st Vice President of Programs, Heather Bounds

WE WERE NOT CALLED TO BE AVERAGE

This past month's Central Texas Republican Women program featured Lisa Copeland, a nationally recognized entrepreneur, bestselling author, and keynote speaker known for her bold message of "Crushing Mediocrity." With a career that includes becoming the #1 FIAT/Alfa Romeo dealer in the world and building multiple successful business ventures, Lisa brings a high-performance perspective on leadership, discipline, and personal accountability.

Her message served as a powerful starting point for a broader conversation about the principles that guide our organization and the role each of us plays in strengthening our communities, our state, and our nation.

At its core, our mission is rooted in the belief that leadership begins with the individual. Personal responsibility, integrity, faith, and a commitment to excellence are not just ideals, they are the foundation of strong families, thriving communities, and effective self-governance. When individuals take ownership of their actions and lead with purpose, the impact extends far beyond themselves.

Our program reinforced the importance of rejecting complacency and choosing instead to lead with intention. In a culture that too often rewards mediocrity or excuses the lack of accountability, it is more important than ever that we model a different standard, one grounded in discipline, initiative, and the courage to stand firm in our convictions. As Republican women, we believe strongly in empowering women to lead, while also recognizing the importance of strong men, strong families, and shared responsibility in building a healthy society. Our goal is not to replace leadership, but to strengthen it. When men and

women each step fully into their roles with mutual respect and purpose, our communities are stronger.

These values are deeply aligned with the principles we champion. We believe in the power of free enterprise, the importance of limited government, and the responsibility of individuals to contribute meaningfully to society. Opportunity is not something granted; it is something pursued through hard work, innovation, and perseverance.

Equally important is the role of faith and purpose in leadership. Each of us has been given unique gifts and opportunities, and we are called to use them not only for personal success, but to serve others and build something lasting. Whether in our homes, our professions, or our civic engagement, leadership requires both strength and service.

As members of Central Texas Republican Women, we are uniquely positioned to lead not only in the political arena, but in our daily lives. By living out these values, we set the tone for our communities and help shape the future of our state and nation.

This month's program with Debra Coffey in her program, titled, "Bring Him Home" will be another meaningful opportunity to reflect on these principles and recommit ourselves to the work ahead. Debra Coffey will provide a reflection for Memorial Day of service, devotion, and strength as we honor the past men and women who have served our great nation selflessly. The call is clear: lead boldly, live with purpose, and never settle for less than the standard we know is possible. Together, we will continue to stand for **faith, family, and freedom** and ensure those values endure for generations to come.

RWsLEAD! - Heather Bounds

Menu

MEATLOAF, MASHED POTATOES, FRIED CABBAGE, SALAD, ROLL, DESSERT, DRINK

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 Wednesday, May 6th,

Email: rsvpctrw@gmail.com to pay at the door

REGISTER NOW

CENTRAL TEXAS RW NETWORKING LUNCH

GUEST SPEAKER, DEBRA COFFEY

"BRING HIM HOME"

A SPECIAL MEMORIAL DAY MESSAGE

MAY 11, 2026

DOORS OPEN 11 AM - LUNCH 11:30 AM

RSVP OR TICKET IS REQUIRED BY 5/8/2026

HARRIS COMMUNITY CENTER

401 N. ALEXANDER STREET, BELTON, TX



DEBRA COFFEY
CO-COORDINATOR OF THE
TFRW CANDIDATE
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

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2nd Vice President Membership, Marlean Druce

MEMBERSHIP: AN OPEN DOOR FOR ENGAGEMENT

Memorial Day is approaching and we will prepare to honor those who paid the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms of our beautiful Republic. Alongside our military service members stand our Republican supporters who also work to keep our country in conservative hands and to protect our conservative values. This is why we work to **keep Texas Red** and why the mid-terms are so critical to our endeavor.

You may be beginning to wind down for summer, but our work for the party is not. Mid-terms will be here before we know it and we have a lot of campaign support opportunities for our members. Remind your friends and family that membership in CTRW is open to anyone who shares the principles of limited government, individual liberty, and personal responsibility.

Becoming a member connects you with CTRW, TFRW, and NFRW club news, events, along with opportunities to volunteer, donate, meet up with like-minded conservatives, support your favorite candidates, and be offered occasions for training and participation in election events.



2024 GOP Day of Action block walking volunteers

CTRW encourages civic engagement, emphasizing that meaningful involvement includes voting in all elections, attending local meetings, and supporting campaigns. In all of this WE MAKE POLITICS FUN! So, join us today and let's move forward together.

Currently, we have: **208 Primary + 62 Associate = 270 TOTAL!** This further breaks down with 38 Diamond Club members and **88 brand new members**. Everyone's efforts in getting our numbers up are greatly appreciated!! You're all our wonderful CTRW ambassadors!

TOGETHER WE WIN! - Marlean Druce

Central Texas Republican Women, PAC

JOIN OR RENEW

JOIN OUR TEAM



- PRIMARY MEMBER**
Women \$30 Annually
- ASSOCIATE MEMBER**
For members of other TFRW clubs and Men \$30 Annually
- ASSOCIATE YOUTH MEMBER**
12-17 Years old \$15 Annually
- DIAMOND CIRCLE MEMBER**
Primary/Associate Membership w/perks \$200 Annually

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2025 MEMBERSHIP

199 PRIMARY MEMBERS
JUMBO CLUB
+ 67 ASSOCIATE & STUDENT MEMBERS

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MEMBERSHIP GOAL ACHIEVED!

201+

Primary Members = Super Jumbo Club

Join the  **REPUBLICAN WOMEN** Diamond CIRCLE



DIAMOND CIRCLE PRIMARY or Associate Members

Jane Aguirre
Dagne Ameigh
Linda Atkins
Natalie Austin
Pamela Blair
Nancy Boston
Heather Bounds
Charles Brashear
Stephanie Brashear
Janet Brown
Tony Canterino
Ma Teresa Castle
Ashley Clapper-Bennett
Lisa Copeland
Yolanda Cortes-Mares
Jo Dammen
Christina Demirs
Jackeline Fountain
Elsie Hernandez

Bianca Kanaanian
Maria Martinez
Sandra McCleney
Cheyenne Minick
Louanna Minick
Lori Murdoch
Annette Neeley
Raquel Nelson
Asha Petrich
Wanita Reeder
Kathy Ruiz
Austin Ruiz
Rebecca Tong
Melissa Tyroch
Louise Underwood
Zenia Warren
Bob Weber
Andi Wilkey
Larry Wilkey

Primary Member: Women

Associate Member: Men or a Member of Another TFRW Club

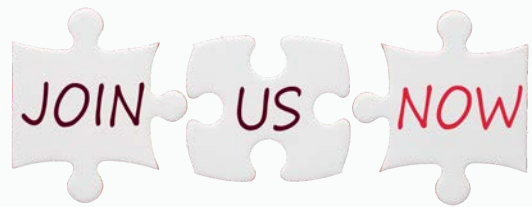
Youth Membership - 12-17 yrs

Student Membership - Student ID, 18-26 yrs

Diamond Circle - Primary or Associate



OR



HEY THERE!

Want to shape the **FUTURE** of our CITY, COUNTY, & STATE?

Join the Central Texas Republican Women's Club!
Help elect **LEADERS**, develop **CANDIDATES**,
and make an **IMPACT!**



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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



nfrw.org
NFRWNews



3rd VP Fundraising, Rebecca Tong

EXPECT A SUMMER OF FUN

We are quickly going into the summer months, and although the Wild & Crazy FUNraising team has had a little respite period, we will be getting our thoughts and plans together for what our next fundraiser will be. We are looking at a fashion show and at some of the fantastic styles that are coming out. We are also looking at some of the western styles. One of our members, Darla Reeder, owner/operator of Susan Marie's, has very graciously agreed to help us with our next endeavor.

Fundraising is truly a team effort. While we do have a dedicated fundraising team in place known as the Wild & Crazy FUNraising 3.0 team, we are always eager to welcome fresh ideas and new talent. Our team enjoys getting together and organizing events, making it an enjoyable and fun experience for all involved.

If you are interested in being part of our fantastic Fundraising Team 3.0, please consider reaching out. You can contact our club president, Janet Brown, or myself, Rebecca Tong. In addition to my fundraising role, I also serve as the Chaplain and I would be delighted to contact anyone interested in joining us.



Judge Gina Parker and her mother, Darlene Mattlage, enjoying themselves at the successful and well attended 2025 CTRW Chili Fundraiser.

It's a Golden Time! - Rebecca Tong

CTRW
Wild & Crazy FUNdraising
 invites you to combine your
 talents with ours.
Join Today!



Literacy Chair, María Alicia Martínez

A CELEBRATORY DAY

What a wonderful blessing it is to give into the lives of others, especially those of our own community!

The Central Texas Republican Women April Scholarship and Teacher Appreciation Luncheon went beyond awarding two \$1,500 scholarships to two bright and worthy recipients. (See their response essays on the next page.) We also awarded two financial gifts of \$500 to two outstanding community educators, Martha Diab a teacher of Killeen ISD and Andrea Haynes a teacher of Belton ISD. It was inspiring to meet these engaged and passionate educators who love teaching.



Representative Brad Buckley with Andrea Haynes



Presentation of Certificates of Appreciation with \$500 Teacher Scholarship (R-L) CTRW President Janet Brown, CTRW Literacy Chair - María Alicia Martínez, Educators Martha Diab and Andrea Haynes



Representative Hillary Hickland with Syndey Grace Warren & Bethany Hart

Representative Brad Buckley (HD54) and Representative Hillary Hickland (HD55) joined Central Texas RW in this endeavor by presenting the students and teachers with special certificates of recognition from their offices. All of this was in keeping with the year's commemorative theme of Faith, Family, and Freedom. How wonderful it was to partner with our elected officials to bless four deserving women. This was a collaborative effort from the heart.

For those who attended, we sincerely hope you were blessed to be a part of what took place. For what it's worth, please know that every member of CTRW is a part of something bigger than themselves. What was done that day, we did as one. We aren't the ladies who lunch, though we do enjoy attending galas and banquets that support Bell County; we are the ladies and gentlemen who **Help Elect Republicans**. We are the women and men of our area helping **Keep Texas Red**. I believe I speak for us all when I say that it is our honor to do so.

Texas Succeeds When Texans Leads - María Alicia Martínez

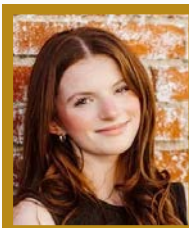


Kitty Pope Scholarship Recipient, Bethany Hart

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE AN AMERICAN?

To be an American means more than just living in the United States, it means carrying the responsibility of freedom, opportunity, and the ability to shape our own future. In the United States, we have the ability to choose our careers, speak our minds, practice our faith, and vote for our leaders. These freedoms allow us to determine our own paths and pursue lives built on purpose and determination. For many people around the world, these opportunities are limited or not available to them. This makes the freedoms we have as Americans meaningful.

Being an American also means embracing responsibility. Our nation was built through sacrifice, perseverance, and a firm belief in our liberty. The generations before us endured wars, economic hardship, and movements for civil rights to keep the values our country was founded on. Their determination helped shape the nation we know today. As a result of their courage, we are able to live in a country that protects individual rights and encourages opportunities for everyone who is willing to work for them and contribute to society. One of the freedoms that I value the most is freedom of religion. This is the right for individuals to believe and worship without government interference. That protection shows the respect for personal liberty that defines our nation. As I pursue a career in nursing, I see being an American not only as a privilege but also as a responsibility. I hope to use the opportunities I have been given to serve others, strengthen my community, and be an active and informed citizen. Being an American means appreciating our history, valuing our freedoms, and working to make sure those liberties continue to endure for future generations.

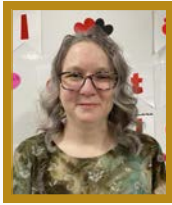


Sonny Pope Scholarship Recipient, Sydney Grace Warren

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE AN AMERICAN?

To me, being an American means understanding that freedom is protected by sacrifice and honoring that sacrifice through responsibility, gratitude, and service. I was raised in a family where service to our country was not just respected, but lived. My father served in the military and was deployed for five of ten years when I was younger, and four of my grandparents also served, one of them my grandmother. Growing up in a military family taught me early that freedom comes at a cost. During my father's deployments, my family learned resilience and patience. Holidays were sometimes celebrated early or late, and everyday moments were shaped by his absence. At the same time, hearing my grandparents stories showed me that service is not limited by generation or gender but guided by love of country.

These experiences gave me a deep appreciation for the freedoms I enjoy and the opportunities available to me as an American. I learned that rights such as education, speech, and opportunity are preserved through courage, discipline, and selflessness. Being an American also means accepting personal responsibility. You must work hard to respect our nation's values and to contribute positively to our communities. As I prepare to continue my education, I carry my family's legacy of service with me. I am grateful for the sacrifices made on my behalf, and I feel a responsibility to honor them by leading with integrity and giving back. To be an American is not only to enjoy freedom, but to protect it for those who come next.



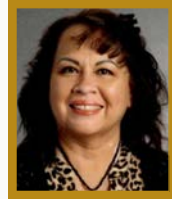
CTRW Teacher Appreciation Honoree, Andrea Haynes - Lake Belton High School

ABOUT ANDREA HAYNES

My name is Andrea Haynes, and I am a dedicated educator, currently at Lake Belton High School with over 21 years of experience teaching Spanish to students across Oklahoma and Texas. I discovered my calling for education while serving in the Sunday School ministry at my church, where I developed a deep commitment to teaching and mentoring others. After facing initial challenges in securing a teaching position, one Sunday I was at church and prayed at the altar, saying to the Lord, "Let it not be my will but your will." The next day, I received an offer from a school—an experience I recognized as a clear confirmation of my calling to become an educator.

My journey has been shaped by both my faith and the lasting influence of my grandmother, whose example helped inspire my path. I believe teaching is more than a profession, it is a calling—and I approach my work with gratitude, purpose, and dedication each day. I particularly enjoy teaching at the high school level, where students demonstrate greater maturity, independence, and intellectual curiosity. Their willingness to engage with more advanced concepts enables meaningful, dynamic learning experiences that foster both academic and personal growth. One of the most rewarding aspects of my career is witnessing students overcome academic challenges and achieve understanding. Seeing their confidence grow as they grasp new concepts and express their success is both inspiring and deeply fulfilling.

Outside the classroom, I value connection and family. I have been happily married to my husband, Franklin Haynes, for 20 years, and together we share a daughter, Laurel, who remains our greatest pride and joy. Rexx, our loyal German Shepherd, completes our family. Whether in the classroom or at home, I strive to live with the same faith, dedication, and sense of purpose that first inspired me to pursue a career in education.



CTRW Teacher Appreciation Honoree, Martha Diab - Trimmier Elementary School

ABOUT MARTHA DIAB

With 35 years of experience in education, a Bachelor's degree in Education, and a Master's Degree in Educational Administration, I am currently a 3rd-grade bilingual teacher at Trimmier Elementary School in Killeen, Texas. I remain deeply passionate about helping students learn, grow, and reach their full potential because I believe that education is the key to unlocking every child's potential. I strive to create a welcoming, engaging classroom where every child can succeed.

Throughout my career, I have had the privilege of teaching Kindergarten, First Grade, Third Grade, and High School Spanish. I have also served as a district Instructional Specialist, supporting and mentoring teachers, and as an ESL instructor working with adult learners at Temple College.

This year, my students have made tremendous progress in reading, writing, and language development, strengthening their skills in multiplication, division, and problem-solving in math, while exploring hands-on science experiments. Beyond academics, they have learned about their community and the world around them, while building teamwork and communication skills that will serve them for years to come.

Outside the classroom, I enjoy reading, arts and crafts, and spending time with my family. My husband works from home, and my daughter is currently pursuing her nursing degree at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor in Belton, Texas. Our home is also filled with joy thanks to our three fluffy cats who keep us entertained. As Philippians 4:13 reminds us, "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me."



My Why: Sandra McCleney

My parents were democrats and didn't really talk politics, so growing up I didn't know the difference between Republicans and Democrats. (But I do know they didn't believe the things that democrats believe today.) I was excited when I turned 18 and could vote. My first ballot was cast for Ronald Reagan's presidency. Although my husband served in the military, I never got deep into politics. When a dear friend who was going to be president of CTRW in 2010 encouraged me to join, I decided it was time to become more involved and knowledgeable.

At the CTRW luncheon I found a wonderful, friendly group of women working together to help our Republican party and candidates. Twice I served as 3rd VP (Fundraising) and currently am the Hospitality Chair. I love sharing with others about our PAC, getting them to join and work beside us. I enjoy meeting our candidates and elected officials to hear how they are working for us and their plans to better our lives and state.

I enjoy working to share our values and principles with our communities and fight against the left-winged agenda to keep our great state **RED**. I love having a prayer and pledges to our flags that start all our activities, proving our goal is to serve God and our country.

I have grown in knowledge through our luncheon speakers and the several conventions I have attended and participated in. I encourage all to join CTRW and work with us. I invite anyone who would like to join my hospitality committee to do so and help reach out to more ladies.



Sandra and her beloved grandchildren.

Be part of the "My Why" series and share your story. Please let us know *What's Your Why?* at contactctrw@gmail.com



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



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| Larry Wilkey 05/01 | Sandra Romer 05/05 | Steven Cox 05/12 | Bill Schumann 05/19 | Teresa Reynolds 05/24 |
| Phyllis Lawrence 05/02 | Raquel Nelson 05/09 | Jackeline Fountain 05/14 | Letitia Ford 05/21 | Lynda Schumann 05/27 |
| Christine Karr 05/03 | Linda Smith 05/10 | Paula Rickey 05/14 | Rita Kelley 05/21 | Dorothy Brockman 05/28 |
| Carmen Garcia 05/04 | Jane Pollach 05/11 | Rebecca Weaver 05/15 | Shay Luedeke 05/23 | Wendy Jaquez 05/28 |
| Deidra Morgan 05/04 | Michele Weisman 05/11 | James Stapler 05/15 | Tess Castles 05/24 | Zenia Warren 05/29 |





Caring for America Chair, Kathy Ruiz

CARING FOR AMERICA'S CHILDREN

Central Texas RW Community, the work we get to do for our our community through the Caring for America Team is nothing short of a blessing! This year's CACCT Family Funday Child Abuse Prevention Fair was moved indoors due to weather, but the cold didn't stop families from coming out and kids from popping bubbles! What a privilege it was to watch our community's little ones play in the bubbles, joyfully receive pocket constitutions and wristbands, while picking out a personal bubble wand in their favorite color to take home. Their laughter filled the air and made it sparkle with an innocence this fair strives to protect. When you sow into children, you touch the future. CTRW is grateful to CACCT for welcoming our participation for another year.



CTRW Bubble Booth at April's 2026 Child Abuse Prevention Fair.

Jeffrey's Tree is still receiving donations through its "Clear Out the Clutter for a Good Cause" drive. Take your spring cleaning to another level and gather clothing, toys, shoes, and other items you no longer want or need and donate them to Jeffrey's Tree. **Contact Dagne at 512-229-6507** and her team will happily pick up your donations.

The Caring for America Team always has opportunities for members to come out, join in, and care for America locally. If you'd like to participate in an event or join the team, please reach out me at 254-681-2112. America needs the love you carry as much as you need to give it. Whether through donations or physical participation, you are welcome. **CTRW Cares for America - Kathy Ruiz**

Helping Our Military Families Armed Services YMCA

**ASymca KILLEEN
FIVE STAR FOOD MARKET** ★★★★★

Wellness Center | 110 Mountain Lion Road, Harker Heights, TX 76548
Active-Duty Hours:
Every Thursday from 6:30 AM - 8:00 AM*

In collaboration with:
CENTRAL TEXAS FOOD BANK

Downtown | 415 N. 8th Street, Killeen, TX 76541
Regular Hours:
Every Saturday from 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Bring to
May 11th Meeting



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| Microwave Mac & Cheese | Spaghetti individual bowls | Nutri Grain Bars | Canned tuna |
| Pop Tarts | Microwave soups | Individual Oatmeal in variety | Protein and Granola Bars |
| Cereal Bowls (Individual) | Canned corn | Shelf Stable Milk | Fruit Cups |
| Big Boxes of Cereal | Canned baked beans | Go-Go Yogurt | Crackers |
| Peanut Butter | Canned Fruits (Peaches, Pears, etc.) | Individual cups of applesauce | Cookies |
| Jelly & Jam | | | Ramen |



Community Engagement Chair, Cynthia Pursell

WHEN WE COME TOGETHER

Our **Red Roof Connections** are about more than just coffee and conversation with like-minded people. While we love supporting our small local businesses, these gatherings go deeper than that. They also create space and opportunity for our community to sit down with those we've chosen to represent us and have real, meaningful dialogue — about the issues that matter most to us.

Our most recent **Red Roof: Coffee with Your Rep** was intimate and relaxed with twelve of us and TX-House Representative Hillary Hickland (HD55). The experience was enlightening and educational as she answered our questions regarding changes in our community. If you are looking for a space to connect and have a conversation with one of your representatives, keep an eye out for our next **Red Roof Connections**.

Encourage, Engage, and Educate! - Cyndie Pursell

Upcoming Red Roof Events

**Central Texas Republican Women
RED ROOF Connections**

Coffee

Thursday, May 28, 2026
9:00 am - 11 am

PAPA'S CAFE
302 Millers Crossing #14
Harker Heights, TX

REDROOF CONNECTIONS

PAPA'S CAFE

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

RSVP
Papa's Cafe- Harker Heights

RSVP



**Central Texas Republican Women
RED ROOF Connections**

Tuesday, May 12, 2026
6-9 p.m.

TRENO
Pizzeria & Taproom

Treno Pizzeria & Taproom
112 S. 1st Street, Temple, TX

REDROOF CONNECTIONS COCKTAILS & CONVERSATION

America 250
1776-2026

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Political Activities Chair, Christina Demirs

AN IMPRESSIVE FIRST QUARTER

CTRW Members, you were absolutely on fire with political activities this quarter! We almost doubled our numbers for the first quarter of 2025. **We accumulated 43,003 hours for 2026's first quarter as compared to 28,226 hours this time last year!** We are on track to break last year's total and, at this pace, **Keep Texas RED!** We have important municipal and school board elections, statewide run-off elections in May, and Mid-Term elections in November.

Make sure to get yourself and a friend to the polls to VOTE!

Precinct Chairs, Election Judges, and anyone else who volunteers with the elections, your time counts! Travel time counts too. Keep track. Also, candidates, both primary and associate members, count those campaign hours.

Quick reminder: if you are a VDR or just received your certification please let me or Janet know and also track the number of voters registered and report back. There are currently two training sessions scheduled for June if you are interested in becoming a VDR.

Information for VDR can be found on the Bell County Elections website:

https://www.bellcountytexas.com/departments/elections/volunteer_deputy_registrar.php.

Second Quarter 2026 (April, May, and June) hours and calls will be due in early July. Please take advantage of our digital form to report your quarterly totals. I only need two numbers from you: total number of hours and total number of calls.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSevP76KgbpXCWg1CBI1SOqFFOx9Mg2HUYyKulvASJDpJQDY7A/viewform?pli=1>.

Report Here or Here



Great Job!

Here are your 2026 First Quarter totals:

1st Q Member with the Most Hours:

Janet Brown 725

1st Q Member with the Most Calls

Zenia Warren 897

Total for 1st Quarter Hours: 43,003

Total for 1st Quarter Calls: 6,492

CENTRAL TEXAS
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Political Activity

2025 Cumulative Hours: 112,531
2025 Cumulative Phone Calls: 17,809

Since 1964, the Club has been a respected and thriving organization that encourages, educates, and engages women in politics. As one of the largest grassroots Republican Women's Clubs in Central Texas, we help elect Republicans.

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LEADS

CTRW LEADS! - Christina Demirs

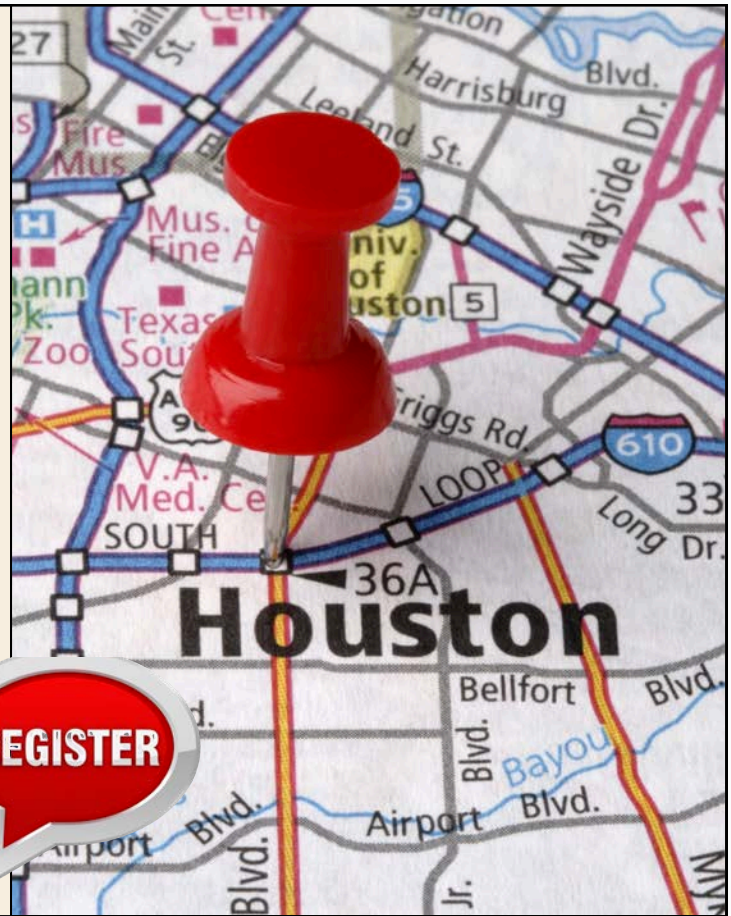


TEXAS GOP
2026

Thank you Central Texas Republican Women Members
who qualified as Convention Delegates.

Sarah Ash
Natalie Austin
Pam Blair
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Cast Your Ballot!

PRIMARY RUN-OFF ELECTIONS ARE THIS MONTH

EARLY VOTING: Monday, May 18 to Friday, May 22
7:00 am - 7:00 pm

BALLOT BY MAIL: Friday, May 15, 2026
Last Day to Apply for Ballot by Mail

ELECTION DAY: Tuesday, May 26th, 2026
7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m

Click the button for information
on Bell Co. polling locations.





Americanism Chair, Natalie Austin

OBSERVE WITH INTENTION

As we step into May, we are reminded that this is not just a season of graduations, spring gatherings, and Texas sunshine—it is also a time of solemn reflection. Memorial Day gives us the opportunity to pause and honor the brave men and women who gave their lives in service to our country. Their sacrifice is the foundation upon which our freedoms stand.

As your Americanism Chair, I encourage each of us to observe this day with intention. Whether attending a local ceremony, placing flags on veterans' graves, or simply taking a quiet moment for the National Moment of Remembrance, these small acts help ensure that their legacy endures.

In Central Texas, we are especially blessed with strong patriotic traditions and communities that value service. Let's carry that spirit forward—not just on Memorial Day, but throughout the year. Teaching the next generation about the meaning behind our flag, our freedoms, and our responsibility as citizens is one of the most important things we can do.

Ours is a Rich Heritage! - Natalie Austin





Chaplain, Rebecca Tong

WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

Easter has passed and the events of Jesus' crucifixion are behind us. Jesus has risen for our sakes. However, have you ever wondered what Jesus must have felt when He was betrayed by Judas and then denied by Peter?

There are many examples of betrayal in the Bible. Cain betrayed his brother Abel, Joseph was betrayed by his own brothers, Jacob betrayed Esau, and there are numerous accounts where friends turned against David (Psalm 31:11; 38:11; 41:9; 55:12-13). In today's world, whether it's in a family, a workplace setting, a vibrant organization, or in a political setting, it pays to choose friends wisely. Although even a wise choice doesn't guarantee loyalty. True friends are made for adversity and there are friends more loyal than family. (Proverbs 18:24)

One way to cultivate true friendships is by being the kind of friend you desire to have. To choose a loyal friend, look for qualities such as consistency, empathy and trust. These traits are essential for building long, lasting, and strong friendships. A good friend will be there for you in good times

and bad, providing support and understanding. They will respect your boundaries and remain available to chat, offering a listening ear and a shoulder to cry on. By recognizing and valuing these qualities, you can find a friend that stands by you no matter what world might throw your way.



The one huge thing Jesus did and said before He died was to ask His Father to forgive them. Forgiveness is a big requirement in friendships at times. What a friend we have in Jesus! Give thanks today that you truly have one good friend.

Your Servant in Christ - Rebecca Tong

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER BELL COUNTY COMMUNITY OBSERVANCE

THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2026

10 AM

BELL COUNTY HISTORIC COURTHOUSE

(Gather on SOUTH SIDE GROUNDS)

101 E. Central Ave, Belton, TX

THANK YOU: BELL COUNTY SHERIFF HONOR GUARD, BELL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, VOCALISTS-KATHLEEN BROWN, GUITARIST/VOCALIST-REBECCA MARTIN; LOCAL & STATE OFFICIALS; SOUND-MADDIX JONES; CENTRAL TEXAS RW FAITH TEAM; CHAPLAIN REBECCA TONG; PRAYER TEAMS

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AMONG THE NATIONS**

**SEEKING HIM
IN ALL GENERATIONS**
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THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2026

75th
NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

~Anonymous



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JOIN OUR TEAM

Committee Team

Members needed:
Community Engagement
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Legislative Chair, Louanna Barbosa Minick

PLATFORM, PRIORITIES, AND THE STATE CONVENTION

[The GOP State Convention takes place next month in Houston, Texas.] As the Legislative Priorities Chair, I have spent considerable time learning this process and wanted to share a brief overview.

In Texas, the Legislative Priorities Chair and Resolutions Chair play a temporary but critical role during the biennial convention cycle, which begins at precinct conventions, advances to County or Senatorial District (SD) conventions, and culminates at the State Convention.

At the county level, the role typically includes:

- Vetting Proposals submitted by precinct conventions
- Drafting and consolidating similar resolutions into cohesive priorities
- Presenting priorities to delegates for a vote during the convention
- Ensuring proper documentation and forwarding approved items to the State Convention

What Are Legislative Priorities?

Legislative Priorities are specific, actionable policy goals that delegates want the Legislature to address in the upcoming session. They differ from the Party Platform, which reflects broader philosophical positions.

For the 2026–2027 cycle, common themes include:

- Election integrity measures
- Property tax relief and fiscal reform
- Infrastructure funding and public safety

Bell County Convention Structure

- Temporary Resolutions Committee
Focuses on the Party Platform and forwards selected planks to the State Convention.
- Temporary Legislative Priorities Committee
Ranks the top issues, narrowing them from 15 to the final 8 Legislative Priorities for the 90th Texas Legislature.

This distinction matters because delegates vote on the Platform and Legislative Priorities separately at the State Convention (June 11–13, 2026, Houston), and each follows a different timeline and purpose. Separating these roles allows Bell County—one of the state's larger and faster growing counties—to efficiently manage grassroots input while maintaining strategic focus and alignment with state level processes. To research the 2026 Republican county and state conventions, you should primarily use the official state and local party websites, which provide specific schedules, delegate resources, and rulebooks.

Official State Resources

[The Republican Party of Texas \(RPT\)](#) is the central source for the 2026 convention cycle. Key sections include:

- [County/SD Conventions Page](#): Provides the location and start times for county-level conventions, which were scheduled for Saturday, March 28, 2026.
- [Precinct Conventions Page](#): Details the initial step where resolutions and legislative priorities are first introduced.
- 2026 State Convention Info: The state convention is scheduled for June 11–13, 2026, at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston.

Local Bell County Resources

For specific details on Bell County's committee appointments and meeting locations, check the local party's digital presence:

- [Bell County Republican Party Official Website](#): This is the primary portal for local announcements, contact info for the County Chair, and specific 2026 convention details for Bell County residents.

General Election and Law Calendars

- [Texas Secretary of State](#): Provides the official primary and convention calendar, including legal notice requirements for convention dates and times.
- [Ballotpedia - Texas 2026 Elections](#): Offers a high-level overview of the 2026 primary cycle and how it feeds into the delegate selection process.

Until then, May God Bless You All and May God Bless Texas! - Louanna Barbosa Minick

MARK YOUR CTRW CALENDARS



- May 2 Election Day - Texas Uniform Election 7am - 7 pm
- May 7 Community National Day of Prayer, Belton Courthouse at 10 am
- May 7 CTRW Executive Board Meeting, Following NDP, Napoli's, Belton, TX
- May 11 CTRW Networking Lunch w/Debra Coffeey, Belton, TX
- May 12 RED Roof Coctails & Conversations, Treno Pizzeria & Taproom, Temple, TX
- May 18 Early Voting - Texas Primary Run-Off Election, Across Texas
- May 26 Election Day - Texas Primary Run-Off
- May 27 Memorial Day
- May 28 RED Roof Coffee Connections, Papa's Cafe, Harker Heights, TX



TEXAS FEDERATION
of
Republican Women

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2026
11:00 A.M.
EMBASSY SUITES
ROUND ROCK, TEXAS



Tribute to Women...

70 years of Where the **RED** Begins

Saturday, September 19, 2026, will be here before we know it so SAVE THE DATE NOW!

Every two years, the Texas Federation of Republican Women host Tribute to Women to honor the women of TFRW who are selected by their home clubs as the women who exemplify the best qualities of TFRW, leadership and community dedication.

Central Texas Republican Women is proud to nominate and honor 3 members at this event.

Important Dates

Ticket Sales Begin: May 1, 2026

BUY NOW

Early Bird Ticket Sales: May 1 – August 30, 2026, Ticket Price \$80.00

Regular Ticket Sales: September 1 – September 10, 2026, Ticket Price \$100.00

Email President Janet Brown - contact@ctrw-pac.com if attending



From the Official's Desk: Shelley Coston, Bell County Clerk

RECORDS THAT CARRY YOU THROUGH LIFE - THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

I'm so excited to tell you about something many people do not think about on a daily basis, yet it touches every one of us. **From the day we are born until long after we are gone, the records maintained by the County Clerk create a clear picture of a person's history.** The Texas Constitution provides that there shall be for each county, by the qualified voters, a County Clerk, who shall be Clerk of the County and Commissioners Court, and the Recorder of the County.

When I was elected and took office in January 2007, I quickly learned to appreciate the importance of the historical value of the records I was to oversee. **Every piece of paper filed in the County Clerk's office is a person who becomes a part of Bell County history.** People often think of records as paper, forms, files, documents stacked in books on shelves or in databases. But in the County Clerk's office, those records stand for much more; those records tell the story of people's lives. Everyone's journey in this life begins at birth. A birth certificate is the first official document that establishes your identity. That single record opens doors throughout your life. Your birth certificate is necessary to accomplish many life tasks - enrolling in school, obtaining identification, and proving citizenship. The Bell County Clerk's office maintains birth records dated back to 1903 when it became mandated by the State to register all births in the State of Texas. A birth record is a confidential record until the 75th anniversary of that record, then it becomes public record.

As life moves forward, other records continue to tell your story. The County Clerk's office oversees Juvenile Court records. When a young person between the age of ten (10) and sixteen (16) years commits a criminal act, the court records are filed and recorded with the County Clerk. These records are confidential and not available to the public. If you serve your country, the County Clerk safeguards your military discharge record. Your DD214 is a document that can help you access benefits and honor your service. Military discharge records are confidential and not available to the public. When you marry, the County Clerk records that milestone through a marriage license, preserving a moment that marks the beginning of a family.

It may now be the time to buy a home, or land, creating a foundation for your family. The County Clerk is responsible for the filing and recording of all real property records in the county. Property records protect your ownership and preserve the history of the property for years to come. In today's society, property is more at risk for theft and fraud. **The Bell County Clerk's office provides a service to aid in the protection of your property.** Property Fraud Alert is a system that is easy to apply for at no cost which will notify you anytime a document in your name is recorded in the property records of Bell County. Sign up for this service is located on the Bell County Clerk's website: <https://www.propertyfraudalert.com/TXBell>

For those interested in agriculture, **the County Clerk files and records marks and brands to establish ownership of your livestock.** All marks and brands are renewed on a ten (10) year cycle in a calendar year ending in a "1" according to the Texas Agriculture Code. All brands currently registered in the State of Texas will expire on August 31, 2031. Brands must be renewed within six (6) months of the expiration date. If you own livestock in multiple counties, you must register your brand in all counties where you have livestock. If you start a business, an Assumed Name Certificate, also known as a "DBA", is filed and recorded in the County Clerk's office to establish your presence in the County.

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The County Clerk supports many various courts in our judicial system. The County Clerk is responsible for maintaining the court records for certain civil court proceedings, all misdemeanor records, and as previously stated, juvenile court records, preserving the integrity of legal proceedings and ensuring accountability. Under Texas law, the County Clerk also serves as the ex officio clerk of the Commissioners Court, attending meetings and maintaining records as established by Texas Local Government Code Section 81.003. While not a voting member of the court, the clerk is responsible for keeping the seal, documenting, maintaining and recording proceedings, and handling official paperwork.

And then, **at the close of life, the County Clerk's work continues. Death records document a life lived.** Death records are filed and maintained in the County Clerk's office, remaining confidential to the public until the 25th anniversary of the record. Upon a person's passing, when a will is recorded to carry out final wishes, a probate is filed to authenticate the will. The County Clerk is clerk to the probate court and oversees the probate records to establish the orderly transfer of estates.

This is how the records maintained by the County Clerk truly carry people through their lives. **The County Clerk is not only the keeper of records, but the keeper of life's milestones. Behind every document preserved is a piece of history protected through official records.** I am very proud and honored to serve as your Bell County Clerk.



Shelley Coston
County Clerk



A Round of Applause for:
Janice Gildein

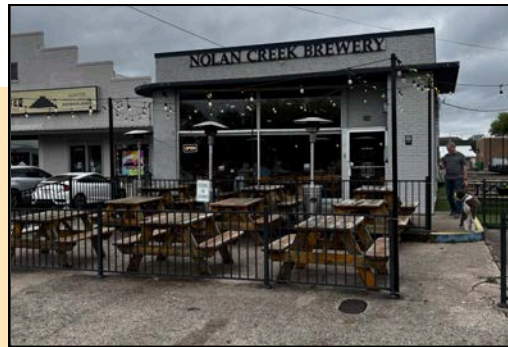
Central Texas Republican Women would like to acknowledge Janice Gildein for her dedication and commitment.

Janice, thank you for referring so many to our club. Your support and effort have not gone unnoticed. Who will be next?

Thank you for being a Wonderful CTRW Ambassador!

An Amiable Look Back on April

Smiles, wagging tails, and enthusiasm on a rainy Texas morning as runners participated in the Temple **Zoomies for Good 5K run/walk** to benefit the Human-Animal Support Coalition. As a proud Event Sponsor, Central Texas RW hosted a table filled with goodies for humans and pets. Attendees could choose from dog treats, bubble wands & Easter eggs, Pocket Constitutions, a cat & dog basket drawing, and membership info. Big thanks to the Clubs Community Engagement team to support non-profit organizations and small businesses while promoting America First.



A great time was had when CTRW met up in our Belton community at **Nolan Creek Brewery**. Great food, brews, ambiance, and a little education. It's always a great time to get together to play games and strengthen community bonds.





Central Texas RW members spent a couple fun afternoons engaging FAITH, Family, and Freedom at Training at Sendero Shooting Sports. These ladies got to try out a large variety of firearms during a course called, "Perfect Match (Speed-dating with Firearms)" and honed their skills in a Basic Firearm Course. The goal was to find a firearm that felt comfortable to use. And, mission accomplished for the women who are mom's, volunteers, entrepreneurs, and Realtors, seeking vital skills for personal protection. Big thanks to USCCA Sendero Shooting instructors Glen and Cherisse for providing a safe, fun, and encouraging environment.



Central Texas RW members present and having fun supporting the annual Hope & Light Gala benefitting Hope Pregnancy. There were many members spread out at the event, please share your pics.

The keynote speaker was, singer/composer Mark Schultz was a highlight weaving personal stories and song together.

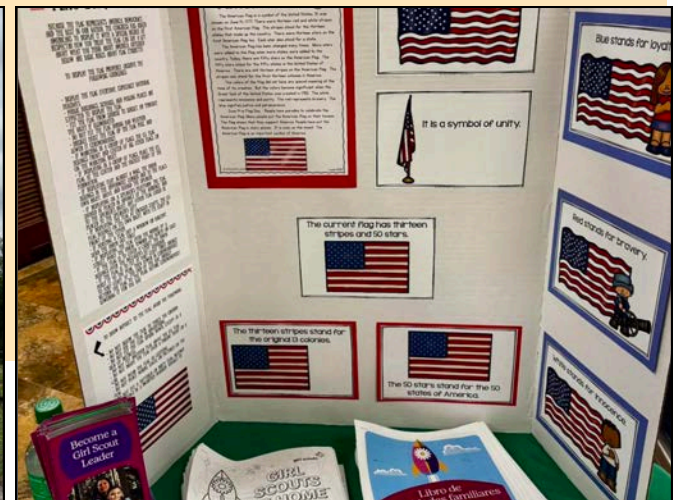




Children's Advocacy Center of Central Texas / Family Fun Day was a real treat to participate in! The atmosphere sparkled with the laughter of children as they played in the bubbles coming from CTRW's booth. Hillary Hickland for Texas /@hickland4texas showed up with her youngest to support Central Texas families and celebrate the protection of our community's children. With so many great sponsors and supporters representing at Family Fun Day, Central Texas Republican Women was right at home in Harker Heights among those Caring for America.

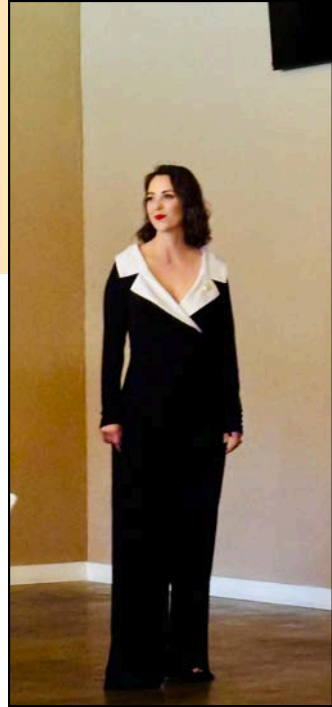


Sharing respect and love of America at the Belton American Legion 55 celebrating 250 years of America at their Spangled Kids event. And of course, Central Texas RW Americanism team led by chair, Natalie Austin was there. Each child could choose a backpack and then could collect finished patriotic interactive projects to learn about America, our U.S. flag, and history. CTRW Americanism provided a 250th commemorative edition of the pocket Constitution and other patriotic items.





Sometimes Caring for America is a afternoon filled with Champagne, Violet Shortcake Cookies, and viewing gorgeous fashions. Several Central Texas RW members came together as attendees, ladies store owner, and were models to support the **2nd Annual Fashion Show benefitting the Hospice House**. Wherever Club members go they are ready to serve our community, make vital connections, and have fun.



The **CTRW Scholarship Endowment Foundation** awarded the Kitty Pope Scholarship to Bethany Hart of Holland High School and the Sonny Pope Scholarship to Sydney Grace Warren of Lake Belton High School. Our 2026 Teacher Appreciation Honorees were Martha Diab of Trimmier Elementary (KISD) and Andrea Haynes of Lake Belton High School (BISD). Christina Demirs, Political Activities Chair, delivered the caterer's delicious leftovers to the Central Fire Station in Belton. Yum!





Coffee and fantastic conversation were the goal for this morning. Representative Hillary Hickland shared valuable insights on a myriad of topics with a large group of engaged political women. **A big RED Roof Connections thank you to Suzy Q's in Temple** for delicious hot coffee, yummy food, and a cozy meeting space. The Club is proud to support our small businesses.

Scouting can make a difference. Today, Central Texas RW was proud to sponsor a table at the Killeen Longhorn Council Scouting Silver Eagle Award Luncheon to honor Representative Brad Buckley. Throughout the lunch, we heard from several young Scouts the positive impact the organization has made in their lives.



Lively fun at Southern Roots Brewery in downtown Killeen, TX tonight. A fantastic crowd with several new faces braved the rain to attend the RED Roof Cocktails Conversation with Representative Dr. Brad Buckley. Mixed in with pizza, wings, and brew - the political conversation flowed freely with plenty of time to relax. A big thank YOU to our host location, Southern Roots Brewery who smoothly handled all the orders. We appreciate and support our vital local small businesses.





Club Candidate Fairness & Endorsement Policy & Standing Rules - Candidate Decorum at CTRW Functions



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.

Candidate Decorum at CTRW Functions - CTRW is a PAC

There will be a table available for Candidates to place pamphlets, cards, and other campaign material. Please pick up the material after the function.

- No political campaign material is allowed to be placed on lunch tables.
- Networking is encouraged and a great way to visit, mingle, and meet members.
- Candidates may identify themselves and the position they intend to run for. Please follow the guidance of the Club President.
- Candidates, please do not use photos of the Central Texas RW banner on Social Media or for other use. Please refrain from photos with the CTRW President and Political Activities Chair if you are a candidate in a contested race with another Republican.
- CTRW Members, please remove your nametag when taking photos with Candidates who are in contested Primary races with another Republican.

Guidelines for Federal Candidates

1. Clubs may invite federal representatives and/or candidate(s) to visit and mingle with club guests and to personally, or with the assistance of volunteers, hand out campaign material and ask for individuals' support. Campaign materials may be displayed on a table with other literature, but should not be placed on dining tables or on dining chairs.
2. When federal representatives and/or candidates are present at any event or meeting, the following disclaimer must be displayed:
"Solicitations made by federal candidates and officeholders are limited by federal law. The federal candidates and officeholders are soliciting only donations of up to \$2,500.00 from individuals and up to \$5,000.00 from multi-candidate political committees. They are not soliciting donations in any amount from corporations, labor organizations, national banks, federal contractors, or foreign nationals."
3. Clubs may place advertising received from federal representatives and/or candidates in an event program, newsletter, yearbook, or other publication as part of the club's fundraising efforts.

CTRW Standing Rules Revision 12/4/2025

E. Other organizations and their representatives or members are not permitted to share printed material for distribution, circulation, or sale at Central Texas Republican Women meetings or functions unless specifically approved by the President. In the event of a disruption, the President will verbally warn the person. If it happens again, the Sergeant of Arms will be asked to remove the person from the meeting, and membership to the Club may be revoked. *(Revised 12/4/2025)*

F. Protocol for Candidates attending Central Texas Republican Women meetings or functions. *(Added 12/4/2025)*
Candidates may only place their campaign literature on the designated campaign table.

Campaign materials cannot be handed out when talking to attendees.

No announcements will be made regarding any candidate's upcoming events.

All candidates are expected to treat each other with respect. Disparaging an opponent, current Republican office holder, past Republican office holder, or attendees for the meeting is not permitted.



Communications Director, Asha Petrich

VICTORY BEGINS IN THE MIND

I heard it said recently that what holds most people back is their past. Past experiences, if we let them, can limit how we see others, ourselves, our situation, our future, and the Lord's ability to keep His promises.

So what can be done? The answer is simple: start thinking about what you're thinking about. What I mean is, stop allowing thoughts to run through your mind, and out of your mouth, unchecked. In Matthew 6:31, Jesus said, "take no thought, saying." We come into agreement with a thought when we speak it. Those thoughts we ruminate on are the thoughts we eventually speak, whether in conversation, as a reaction, or muttered to ourselves.

Because life and death are in the power of the tongue, shouldn't we be speaking life instead of death, hope instead of discouragement, and faith instead of fear? We are witnessing great political and social breakthrough in America because of the positive thoughts we took, spoke out, and eventually acted out. So, let's stay in the fight!

What fight am I speaking of? Why, the good fight of faith! Feed your mind faith, hope, and love. Then, let those thoughts motivate you to rise up every day and speak words of blessing over yourself, your household, your city, and your nation. Speak words of blessing over our president, our state, our elected officials.

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Jeremiah 29:11 NKJV

Refuse to let your past limit your future. Think big thoughts, faith-filled thoughts. Then, speak them in conversation, in response to fear, even muttering them to yourself. Soon enough, victory will be common place in your life. **If You Don't Quit, You Win! - Asha Petrich**



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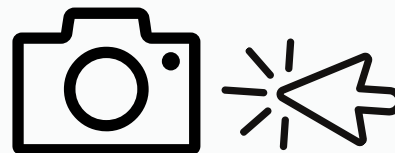
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