



The Trumpet Call

April 2021



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MONTHLY MEETING

Any member may submit a written request for a discussion and possible action item to the President's Agenda no later than 48 hours before the meeting.

SD-5 • TFRW REGION IV

Dear GARW members, associate members, and future members,

In the last 5 to 6 years Georgetown results on the State of Texas Public School Star Tests have decreased each year. Georgetown Public Schools had a ranking of six on a scale of 6 being the best score and 1 being the lowest score. The most recent Stars Test shows 6 out of our 16 schools ranked in the bottom two categories—5 and 6 the lowest scores.

Also, resources for administrative employees has increased more rapidly than resources for teachers during this time of decline in student performances. We need to elect school board members who can provide leadership to restore the performance of our schools as they were 6 years ago.

The Sun Newspaper has been publishing letters to the Editor from members of our community regarding this crisis in Georgetown Public Schools. The Sun is published only on Wednesdays and Saturdays (available at HEB). The 4 conservative candidates are Jen Mauldin, Ben Stewart, Steven Benold, and Tim Carr.

Early voting begins April 19 and ends April 27. Election date is May 1. Please put these dates on your calendar. Informed voters promote good government.

Ann Bradley, President

Georgetown Area Republican Women

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THURSDAY, APRIL 15 MEETING & LUNCHEON

RESERVE ON TIME SO YOU CAN DINE • RESERVATIONS REQUIRED BY April 12 11am

\$10.00 per person • \$20 includes lunch Glazed Ham, Garlic mashed Potatoes, Asparagus, Strawberries Romanoff

Georgetown Chamber of Commerce • 1 Chamber Way • Program: Ellen Troxclair & Steve Armbruster

PREPAID RESERVATIONS PREFERRED • VISIT GARW.ORG TO RESERVE ONLINE

Checks payable to GARW-PAC • 1530 Sun City Blvd., Suite 120-PMB 424, Georgetown, TX 78633

✉ garwpac@yahoo.com 📞 LaVonne Frazier, 720-224-8283 • If you reserve and are unable to attend, payment must be reimbursed to the club.

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MEMBERSHIP

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As of March 31, 2021, we have 13 new members: 10 regular & 1

associate, 2 renewing

Total Club Members are 111, 82 regular & 29 associates.

Make sure to seek out these new members at our next meeting to make them feel welcome!

Ashley Brasher

Tira Holcomb, Corby Holcomb (associate)

Melissa Pace

Chris Page

Melinda Planchard

Terri Rodriguez

Diane Weisman

Joan Shrader

Kathy Turner

Janie Wray

Please ask a friend to join you at our April meeting and let's encourage others to join us. It's more important than ever!



CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES

Anne Lichtenstein

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For the first quarter of 2021, our club has recorded 901 campaign activity hours. Well done members!

I'd like to thank all the ladies that signed up to be a part of the campaign activity committee. I'm sorry I was unable to be at the meeting and meet you in person, but I will be contacting all of you within the next couple of weeks to strategize as to where you would best like to help with our campaign activists in 2021.

Anne Lichtenstein

VP - Campaign Activities



LEGISLATIVE

Marianne Inman

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"Government's first duty is to protect the people, not run their lives." --Ronald Reagan

As of late March, bills have been filed in both the Texas House and Senate pertaining to 8 of 9 Republican priorities and 6 of 8 Democrat priorities. To date only one on the Republican side, the abolition of abortion, has progressed to a Senate committee hearing. There has also been considerable interest and attention paid to ERCOT following the February super-freeze.

To recap, the Republican priorities, in order of significance to the party, are election integrity, religious freedom, the abolition of children and gender modification, the abolition of abortion, Constitutional carry, monument protection, school choice (no action), banning taxpayer-funded lobbying, and executive overreach.

Quite a different set exist for the Democrats: legalization/decriminalization of marijuana, expanding abortion, increasing the minimum wage, Medicaid expansion, banning fracking (no action), enacting red-flag laws (which would allow a court to order the temporary confiscation of firearms of individuals deemed to be a risk to themselves or others), expanding mass transportation (no action), and repealing voter ID.

All of these issues merit our closest scrutiny and, in the case of the Republican priorities, our advocacy.



LOCAL ELECTIONS

Ashley Brasher

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There are several non-partisan elections coming up in May. Make sure to research the voting history of the candidates. [This chart](#) shows what our Wilco GOP chairman has found. Remember to jot down your voting list to bring with you when you vote as many races are nonpartisan and will not show a party affiliation on the ballot.

For more information regarding voting dates, times, and locations, please contact Republican Party Headquarters at 716 S. Rock St in Georgetown or call 512-863-8481.

URGENT SPECIAL NEEDS!!

OUR BORDER PATROL NEEDS OUR HELP!!

TFRW Is requesting that any clubs, organizations, groups help gather PPE supplies to be delivered to our Border Patrol agents that are diligently and tirelessly trying to protect our southern Texas border. The illegal immigrants crossing daily by the thousands are getting everything they need while our Border Patrol Agents are going without.

GARW will be collecting items starting on Monday at the Williamson County Republican Headquarters 716 S. Rock St in Georgetown. There will be a box with our Chapter name on it, please bring **WHATEVER** you can contribute and deliver by Thursday April 8. Sue DeVillez will pick it up and deliver it to the TFRW meeting for distribution.

We will also be collecting a second donation at our April 15th meeting if you are unable to get your items to headquarters next week.



TREASURER

LaVonne Frazier

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Proposed Budget for 2021 will be voted on at our April 15th meeting. Please see attached link for prior review.

[2021 Proposed Budget](#)



Georgetown Area Republican Women
Statement of Receipts & Disbursements
For Mar 1, 2021 through Mar 31, 2021

Funds Available on February 28, 2021		\$6,718.30
Funds Received (Mar 1 - Mar 31):		
Luncheon Reservations (Prepaid & Walk-Ins)	\$1,770.00	
Membership Sales (Active, Associate & Nametag Orders)	\$699.01	
In-Kind Donation Books (Stephanie Stoebe)	\$6.43	
Total Receipts		<u>\$2,475.44</u>
Funds Disbursed (Mar 1 - Mar 31):		
Stephanie Stoebe (Literacy for America books)	\$1,000.00	
March Luncheon Expenses: CJ's Catering (75 plates)	\$970.55	
TFRW#4 (13 Members Added)	\$325.00	
Georgetown Chamber of Commerce April Room Rental	\$300.00	
GTX Awards & Engraving (10 nametags)	\$113.66	
In-Kind Donation Books (Stephanie Stoebe)	\$6.43	
Less Total Disbursements		<u>\$2,715.64</u>
	Increase In Funds (Mar 1 - Mar 31):	\$(240.20)
Total Funds Available on March 31, 2021 (Fully Balanced)		<u>\$6,478.10</u>

NEEDS:

- Hand Sanitizer- travel size, individual use wipes, spray, etc.
- Wound Wash
- Gloves
- Disposable Masks
- Sunscreen
- Lysol Spray



SECRETARY

Claire Hall

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Minutes GARW General Meeting 18 March 2021

The meeting was held at the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and called to order at 11:20 AM by President Ann Bradley. Chaplain Mary Page offered a prayer and led the Pledges to the United States and the state of Texas. Everyone then sang "God Bless America."

The meeting was adjourned for a lunch buffet and resumed at 11:50 AM with the introduction of local officials and candidates running for office. New members and guests were then asked to stand. Ann presented Ashley Brasher as the new First Vice-President for Programs and then recognized the 2021 Executive Board and Standing Committee chairs.

Ashley Brasher introduced guest speaker Ellen Troxclair who spoke about her experience running for office and serving on the Austin City Council. Following her talk, Williamson County Republican Party Chair Steve Armbruster presented a recap of the 2020 election. Steve urged attendees to help candidates in the upcoming elections in Georgetown, Leander, and Round Rock.

Business Meeting

Ann called on Board members for their reports. There were no minutes to approve as last month's scheduled meeting was canceled due to the snowstorm.

Treasurer LaVonne Frazier offered her report for the period 16 January - 28 February 2021. The detailed report is attached. Ending balance as of 28 February was \$6,718.30.

Membership VP Leah Sanders reported membership for 2021 so far is 101. This total includes 74 Regular and 17 Associate members.

Caring for America Chair Diane Hill announced that brochures were on the table explaining this year's charitable organization, B.I.G. She thanked those who had contributed to B.I.G. during the meeting. Diane will present more information at the May meeting.

Ann urged anyone interested in becoming a Deputy Registrar of Voters to sign up for the online class. In-person classes will resume beginning in April. Nita Davidson announced the Reagan Dinner has been scheduled for June 18 at the Kalahari Resort in Round Rock.

Next month's meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 15.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Claire Hall Secretary

GARW Welcomes Texas Public Policy Foundation, General Counsel The Honorable Robert Henneke, and candidates for upcoming May 1 elections

April 15, 2021

Before joining the Foundation, Robert served as the twice-elected Kerr County Attorney where he brought conservative values to county government. Robert began his legal career serving as an Assistant Attorney General in the General Litigation division under the leadership of Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott. Robert has appeared on national news shows, such as Fox News, Fox Business, MSNBC, and others. His commentaries have been published in USA Today, the Wall Street Journal, The Washington Post, Fox News, Forbes, The Washington Examiner, The Hill, and other national publications.

He is a member of the State Bar of Texas and is admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States, the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, and the Federal District Courts in the Eastern, Western, Northern and Southern Districts of Texas, and the Eastern District of Michigan.

Robert received his law degree from the University of Texas School of Law. He earned his undergraduate degree in English Literature from Georgetown University. Robert graduated from Tivy High School in Kerrville, Texas. He lives in Austin with his wife Lesley and their two sons and is an Eagle Scout. Robert was a 2019 Texas Lawyer Attorney of the Year Finalist.



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Mark Your Calendars!

May Meeting Speaker: Pattie Barrett, True the Vote

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
April 5	10:30 am	Executive Committee Meeting	WilCo Republican Headquarters
April 15	11:00 am	Monthly Meeting and Lunch	Chamber of Commerce
May 3	10:30 am	Executive Committee Meeting	WilCo Republican Headquarters

SAVE THE DATE for State Convention Registration: October 2021 at Kalahari Resorts and Convention Center, Round Rock, TX



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