January 2024 Newsletter: Vol 3. NO. 1 Region 5 District 1

The President's Talking Point

If you turn on the TV, read the paper, and see comments on social media. it is easy to conclude, we have seen better times. I believe we are fortunate to live in a country that allows us freedoms many take for granted. I am very hopeful that even though the woke culture can move in with a vengeance, the awakened people have had enough and are growing weary. The year 2024 will be the most important in our lifetime and for future generations to come. If there is smoke in our home we act. If you are awakened by what our country is going through, can you find your inner voice? Your actions or words will enhance your visibility, as a member of the Republican Women of Gregg County, to share with friends, neighbors, and strangers, the Republican conservative platform. I was recently selected to be on a jury for a defendant accused of assault with a deadly weapon. What a learning experience. I was more shocked at some younger jurors' lack of critical thinking, inability to follow the judge's instructions and most importantly, their inability to have crucial but respectful conversations. They did not like other jurors disagreeing with them. Does this sound familiar? But that is life. People will have different opinions. The inability to see another point of view is called self-deception. Don't let your network of contacts be caught with blinders on. You can help them awaken and take the blinders off, as a better- informed voter for a change in leadership in our government that we so desperately need. What will be your political New Year resolution? You are women, let me hear you roar. Happy 2024 !!! Trivia Question: Who is our Election Administrator in Gregg County?

God Bless You and America

Jennifer Kranzman

Republican Women of Gregg County – President



Programs & Special Events

Rhonda Anderson 1st Vice President

Governor Abbott is taking unprecedented action to defend our border, he just signed three border security laws to protect Texans and Americans from President Biden's dangerous open border policies:

- 1.Make illegal entry into Texas a crime subject to removal or imprisonment
- 2. Increase penalties for human smuggling
- 3. Fund additional border wall construction and support Texas' border security efforts

Governor Abbott is making sure Sanctuary State are receiving their fair share of Biden's open border crisis. The numbers to date are:

Over 12,500 to Washington DC

Over 30,200 to New York City

Over 24,500 to Chicago

Over 3,400 to Philadelphia

Over 11,100 to Denver

Over 1,250 to Los Angeles

Candidate Filing season ended on December 11 th, Gregg County only has one contested race. Rep. Jay Dean has 2 challengers:

Joe McDaniel (former Candidate for Congress last year)

Bonnie Walters

The Ballot draw took place on December 21 st, this is how their names will appear on the ballot in Gregg County.

- 1. Jay Dean
- 2. Joe McDaniel
- 3. Bonnie Walters

Early voting starts February 20 th , 2024, and ends on March 1, 2024 Election day is March 5, 2024



RWGC gave 39 Veteran token Coins to Arabella Veterans and presented the Veteran Appreciation Program. RWGC donated a Freedom is Not Free American Flag to add to their Veteran tree.

Connie, Jen, Tricia, Nancy, Camie, Rhonda, Marty, Dawn, Gwen and Tina gave 11 Christmas food gift boxes to those in need.



RWGC donated \$170 plus to Wreaths Across America





CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES

Jennifer Kranzman

2024 is all about GET OUT THE VOTE. I hope this is part of your 2024 New Year political resolution of what you can do to get more people to vote. Voting in person is the BEST way to be heard. We are missing 6 precinct chairs in Gregg County. If you are in voting precincts #2, 3, 8, 15, 16 or 21 we need your help as a precinct chair or co-chair. There is training, and support from other precinct chairs.

This election is the most important in our lifetime. Be a part of the solution.

A. LEARN, LEAD and WIN Votes, with FREE Training for Conservatives @ https://www.leadershipinstitute.training/

B. TFRW also has a Free Precinct Chair 101 training video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fnmWvYqiS0w.

C. The Secretary of State also has training for a variety of election worker/watch positions and training manuals. **Our GOP chair must approve you for these positions.**

Training and Education Resources (state.tx.us)

VOTE BY MAIL INSTRUCTIONS

Applications for Mail Ballots may be submitted for this election starting <u>January 1, 2024</u>. The next election in Gregg County is the Primary Election on <u>Tuesday, March 5, 2024</u>. The last day to submit your Application for Ballot by Mail is <u>Friday, February 23, 2024</u>, between 8 AM and 5 PM.

(This means in our office, not postmarked.)

You may request an application for a ballot by mail if you meet one of the following qualifications:

- 1. 65 or older
- 2. Disabled / *New Law* Voter must sign this statement:
 - "I have a sickness or physical condition that prevents me from appearing at the polling place on election day without a likelihood of needing personal assistance or injuring my health."
- 3. Is Expecting to Give Birth Within Three Weeks Before or After Election Day / *New law*
- 4. Will be out of town during the election
- 5. Confined in jail during the election

NOTICE:

NEW LAW requires that you provide your ID number(s) on your application.

You must include either your DL #, ID #, or the last 4 digits of your Social Security #.

I suggest you include <u>both</u> numbers, to avoid possible rejection of your application, as they must match your voter registration record.

If you are 65 or older; or if you are disabled; you may also check the box labeled "Annual Application". You will receive ballots for all elections for that year.

Please send your political volunteer hrs. and travel time to my e-mail etetetete@aol.com. by Jan 5th. Our club goal for each member is 10 hrs per month. This includes research, meetings, training, travel time, voting and political phone calls.

Membership Report

Tricia Oxton 2nd Vice President

"What the new year brings to you will depend a great deal on what you bring to the new year."

Vern McLellan

January 2024! Wow! What are you bringing to the new year? We hope it is enthusiasm, ideas and plans to be involved with the Republican Women of Gregg County! It is proven that a group of people with common goals can accomplish so much more when they work together than they can all working alone. Make a commitment to yourself to be an active member that comes with a positive outlook and is "all in" to meet the common goals of our group.

Time to look at how we did in 2023 and devise our membership goal for the new RWGC Year of 2024! Last year, our membership goal was having 60 members and at the time it seemed very high. However, by the end of the year we had a grand total of 52 members. In light of that with concentrated efforts we can reach the **60 MEMBER GOAL** IN 2024! We will need everyone to be as active as they can be so that we can do everything we can to **KEEP GREGG COUNTY** AND TEXAS RED AND RETURN A REPUBLICAN TO THE WHITE HOUSE!

As of 12-31-23, 26 members had completed their 2024 application and paid their dues. Now we must reach out to all members who haven't completed their 2024 application and/or paid their dues personally and invite them to join us. If you would like to volunteer to assist with this project, please contact me at triciaoxton@yahoo.com now.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND MANY SPECIAL BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS ON YOUR SPECIAL DAY!

Marim Mack 1-08

Glenda Bays 1-10

Marty Rhymes 1-13

Teresa Cook 1-15

Michelle Gilley 1-17

Connie Wade 1-19



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Membership Application

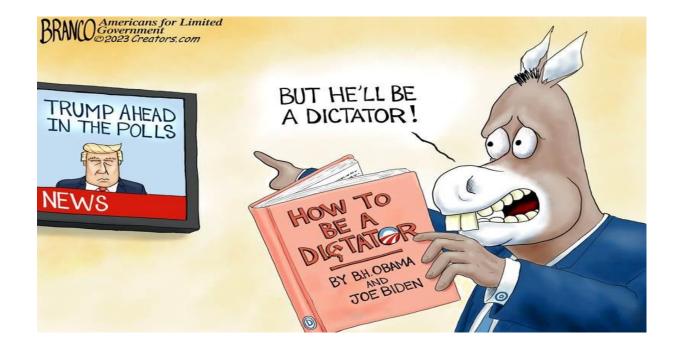
2024 Membership Information		Date:	
Please check one:	\$40.00 <u>Active Membership</u> includes Voting Privileges		
	\$15.00 <u>Associate</u> Men (no Voting Privileges)		
Club	\$15.00 <u>Associate</u> Women v	vith Active Membersl	nip in another Republican Women's
(Not eligible to vote in RWGC)			
Name:	Birthday (xx-xx-xxxx)		
Spouse's Name: _	Birthday (xx-xx-xxxx)		
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip
Home Phone	Cell Phone		Work Phone
Email Address			
Occupation Employer			
County Voting Pre	cinct		
Are you a member of another Republican Women's Club? Yes No			
If yes, which club?	·		
Active Member in that club OR Associate Member in that club			
Check if applies: Allow:RWGC use of my photoSharing my contact info with members			
OPT- IN: RWGC can post my name, email and phone number on members only			
section of the RWGC website.			
I AM INTERESTED IN THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES			
Campaign Activitie	esFund Raising	Literacy Bu	ilding Membership
Legislative	Caring for America	Telephone	Outreach Other
Other Talents, skills or interests you have			

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QR code for access to our website!!



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEBER

January 3: RWGC Board Meeting
January 15: Martin Luther King Jr. Day

January 17: RWGC General Meeting @ Saltgrass

February 5: Last day to register to vote February 23: Last day to send mail in ballot

Please keep the following in your prayers:

- Neil Frey awaiting surgery date, on walker
- Wars going on in Ukraine/Russia & Middle East

Praises:

- Linda Lafferty doing well after her carotid surgery
- Oxton's recovered from Covid

Wishing and praying for a healthy and successful year for each of our members in 2024!! HAPPY NEW YEAR!



PLAN TO JOIN US FOR THE JANUARY MEETING ON THE 17TH AT SALTGRASS. ARRIVE AT 11:30 TO ORDER LUNCH.

January Program: Mom for America Organization http://www.momsforamerica.us/



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