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The President's Talking Point

April finds the RWGC members on the move. But 1st I must comment on the intentional canceling of words like, *illegal immigrants* or *invasion*. With 10 million plus people crossing our borders it is a national crisis and unnecessary. Come in legally as my mother from the UK and mother-in-law did from Germany in the 40's, an organized, safe process for everyone. Laws as rules, provide order. Lack of rules causes chaos. Period!!

The name, *illegal immigrant*, is correct verbiage, listed in several of our laws on the books. Biden used the word in the State of the Union Address, then walked it back. This is a classic example of a Freudian Slip defined as, "interference of an unconscious subdued wish or internal train of thought." So, will we no longer be able to call a murderer, rapist, pedophile these terms because it offends them?? Will we change the term "victim" to undocumented accused woman, to not offend the murderer, rapist, or pedophile. Wait we cannot define a woman either. Our language is being cancelled by a woke ideology.

If you did not attend your precinct convention or county convention it is a process you should experience once in your lifetime. Resolutions were voted on; to bring a position to the Republican Party of Texas in May Convention, including Transparency of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct, Abortion exception due immediate life risk to the mother, Closed primaries, Bond Election validity, Illegal Immigrant rights to public Funds in Texas and much more. The GOP works from the Grassroots up, not the top down.

RWGC members will be representing Gregg County well, as delegates, at the Texas Republican Party in May: Rhonda Anderson, Gail Apple, Dawn Barber, Amy Bridges, Teresa Cook, Deborah Deas, Nancy Holly, Jennifer Kranzman, Linda Lafferty, Marty Rhymes, Rachael Sikes, Gwen Wuori, Sheila Youngberg. We are 33% of the delegation with husbands as associate members representing all of Gregg County. Get your Cowboy Hats ready so we can be seen and heard.

Voting is the most patriotic action you can display.

Vote like your country depended on it.

God Bless You and America

Jennifer Kranzman

Republican Women of Gregg County – President



Programs & Special Events

Rhonda Anderson

1st Vice President

Legislative report for April Newsletter

- ❖ On March 4, a Federal Appeals court allowed Texas SB4 Immigration law to take effect. The next day it was suspended once again at the 5th circuit court of appeals. On March 27, the Appellate court upheld the ruling to keep SB4 on hold. The court will hear the case in the first few weeks of April.
- ❖ Tennessee Gov. Bill Lee has deployed soldiers from the Tennessee National Guard to join Texas counterparts in Operation Lone Star to bring more security to the border. The Governor said he asked for 100 soldiers to assist the effort but says that nearly 400 volunteered.
- ❖ On March 4, the U.S. Supreme court ruled unanimously 9-0 that Colorado nor any state has the right to remove Donald Trump from their ballots.
- ❖ On March 26, the United States Supreme Court heard oral arguments on a case by the FDA to expand access to the abortion pill, Mifepristone. The Drug was approved by the FDA in 2000. The FDA is wanting to make the drug more accessible to women and allow it to be taken later in pregnancy past the 7 weeks up until 10 weeks and be able to order and deliver through mail without a prescription. The case comes from a Texas Based U.S. District Judge and a group of anti-abortion rights doctors that are challenging the FDA's approval and has invalidated it's approval calling it unlawful. No decision has been made yet.
- ❖ TEXAS — A group of Texas Republicans on Wednesday introduced a resolution opposing a Democrat-led bill that would connect the Texas electric grid to national power grids.

The resolution says the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) “is not subject to the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, rather falling under the jurisdiction of the Public Utility Commission of Texas and the Texas Legislature.”

Rep. Randy Weber, R-Friendswood, wrote the resolution and Reps. Troy Nehls, R-Richmond, Pat Fallon, R-Sherman, John Carter, R-Round Rock, Keith Self, R-McKinney, Michael Burgess, R-Lewisville, and Tony Gonzales, R-San Antonio, cosponsored it.

“In Texas, we proudly maintain our own electric grid—overseen by Texans, not the federal government—and we intend to keep it that way,” Weber said. “Some of my Democrat colleagues had a brilliant idea to lasso the state into the national electric grid, filled with its own challenges and failures. I will continue to fight to ensure that Texas’ grid stays in the hands of Texans and not bureaucrats sitting in Washington.”

Rep. Greg Casar and fellow Democrats Rep. Jasmine Crockett, D-Texas, Rep. Joaquin Castro, D-Texas, and Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, D-New York, introduced a bill in February that would require Texas to connect to the national power grids and require addition oversight from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)

The Connect the Grid Act was introduced on the third anniversary of the February 2021 winter storm, which left Texans in the dark and without power in freezing temperatures when the ERCOT grid nearly failed entirely. The official death toll from the incident is 246.

Casar said Republicans are founding the “pro-blackouts caucus” through their opposition of the bill.

He also noted that the East Texas region that Weber represents is not connected to ERCOT. That region did not lose power during the 2021 winter storm.

Through the Connect the Grid Act, ERCOT would still oversee running the Texas power grid, along with Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) and the Texas Legislature.

In a post to X, formerly Twitter, Weber criticized the bill, calling the attempt to connect the grid to the rest of the U.S. "communist style thinking."

"Federalizing Texas's electric grid = Typical government bureaucrat-style thinking, even communist-style thinking - the big, overblown government needs to control everything. I will continue to fight to ensure that Texas' grid stays in the hands of Texans & not bureaucrats sitting in Washington," Weber said.



Congressman Moran paid a surprise visit with his son at the Gregg County Republican Convention!



 **The Babylon Bee**  @TheBabylonBee · 7h

Checkmate: Trump Sneaks Back Into White House, Invokes Squatter's Rights buff.ly/3vIMBuS



CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES

Donna Kay Hallonquist

What a busy month we have had in March. Our total hours for January and February were 1279. Thank all of you for your hard work promoting our candidates. Our hours for March are due by the 5th of April. If they are not in by the 5th they will not be counted until the following month. We need help with phone banking for Senator Ted Cruz. Let's have a contest in April to see who can make the most phone calls, knock on doors, contact the new movers, and send out emails. We cannot lose Texas to Democrats. They are going out of their way to take Texas and we are going to beat them at their own game.

The Texas runoff election is on May 28, 2024. The early voting begins on May 20 and ends on May 24. For voters planning to vote by mail, you must apply for the ballot through Ballot by Mail or Federal Postcard Applications. The deadline for mail-in ballot applications is May 17. Do not forget Congressman Nathaniel will be at the Jalapeno Tree in Longview located 508 Eastman Rd on April 01, 2024. So, mark your calendar for this event. Let's all put our heads together for some fundraisers. We could have a purse auction or a bake sale.



Everyone needs to go to your county convention once in your lifetime to see how the process works.

New Club Member Activities Groups Announced!!



Top Shot Indoor Range. 5685 SE Loop 281, LONGVIEW 903-236-7468

Ladies can go on Tuesdays and shoot all day for \$10. Other days are \$25 per hour for 1st shooter and \$10 per hour for each additional shooter using the same lane. So, Tuesday is definitely a good day to go. We can share a lane. Probably no more than 4 per lane would be best, depending on how many of us go.

If you don't have a gun, or want to try one out, about 30 guns are available for rent. If you know of a gun you want to try, let me know in case my daughters or I have that caliber. That way you would only have to pay for the ammo. If you rent a gun, you must use their ammunition. Otherwise, you can take your own ammo for your own gun. Their hours of operation are 11 am to 7 pm. You must have ear and eye protection in order to shoot. They sell them. You will be provided with one target but can purchase more for \$1.50 each. We can reserve multiple lanes if we call the week before. If we are only using one lane, we should call ahead an hour before so they can hold one for us. Many classes are offered for safety, as well as one to obtain your LTC and learn the rules. You may want to inquire about a safety course before you try shooting if you are a novice. The beginner's course is \$50. The course to obtain your license to carry is \$100. Be proud you are in Texas, where freedom reigns, and this is possible. Not everyone has this so easily available.

Linda is the Annie Oakley of our club with pistols, rifles, and shotguns. She was raised on a ranch and "cut her teeth on guns."

Guns and Gals Group, call, or text Linda Lafferty, 831-261-1881. No experience, novice or experienced.
Girls Just Want To Have Fun, Bowl Group, text Sharon Dehoff at 903-235-6058.
Go Go Girls Group visiting points of interest, shopping, dining activities text Nancy Holly at 903-720-6541

Membership Report
Tricia Oxtan 2nd Vice President

APRIL is here and we made it through the Primary Election. The Texas House will certainly be different in 2025 since many Republican primary seats were won by pro-school choice candidates. It is apparent that SCHOOL CHOICE will pass (in the future) now that these changes are being made and it will be a wonderful thing for Texas children!

We would like to welcome two new members this month – **Sharon Dehoff** and **Rayvin Morales!** We were also happy to have **David Deas, Lou Drake, Judy Kiper, Candace Reid, William McWhorter,** and **Cassy Howell** as visitors.

We currently have 44 members and are continuing to work toward our goal of having **60!** Please invite your Republican friends and neighbors to come to our next luncheon and become a member of RWGC.

Each new member is assigned a MENTOR who will assist them in learning how our organization operates and the opportunities they must get involved with other members and in working toward making our community a better place. If you want to get involved – we have a place for you! We also have a website which can be found at www.RWGCTX.com, There is a section that is for members only. Please ask your Mentor for instructions on how to access the members only section. If you have any questions, please email me.



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

Linda Lafferty 4/7

Tony Barber 4/17

Cindy Hull 4/21



March RWGC Meeting at Saltgrass. Speaker Cassie Howell with TFRW. She explained the Republican Party Delegate Process.

RWGC members, at our county convention, some headed to the Texas State Republican Convention in San Antonio.



Volunteers assisting with the Gregg County Convention.....all women.



QR code for access to our website!!

Important Dates to Remember in April

April 1: April Fools' Day,
April 1: Moran Town Hall Event, 12 -1 The Jalapeno Tree
April 3: RWGC Board Meeting
April 10: Patriot Academy, Biblical Constitution Class by invitation only
April 11: Longview Arts View Ribbon cutting 4:30pm -- RWGC are sponsors --
April 11: **RWGC General Meeting @ MOVED to Jalapeno Tree at 509 N Eastman, Lgv**



Please keep the following in your prayers:

- Ann Hinds broke her wrist in a fall. Prayers for a quick recovery.
- Wars going on in Ukraine/Russia & Middle East
- Brenda Carlton recovering from a bad fall
- Praying you had a Blessed Easter Sunday

Wishing each of our members a beautiful, blessed spring.

PLAN TO JOIN US FOR THE APRIL MEETING ON THE 17TH at THE JALOPENA TREE. ARRIVE AT 11:30 TO ORDER LUNCH.

April Program:

Judy Lundy: Texans for Judicial Accountability

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