

## REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF GREGG COUNTY

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Region 5 District 1

### The President's Talking Point

March finds RWGC membership growing with new women finding their voices. March is also Women in History Month. On March 3, 1913, women march on Washington for the *Woman Suffrage Procession*. A movement that ended up giving you a right to vote as men could. The 19th Amendment of the Constitution was passed by Congress June 4, 1919, and ratified on August 18, 1920. The 19<sup>th</sup> amendment granted women the right to vote. It took 7 years of women with their persistent voices, believing their inalienable rights were being violated to pass the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment. Don't let these strong women and their past efforts, go down in vain with you not voting in the Primary Election. We are choosing several important Republican candidates to run against Democratic candidates. The GOP is also wanting your opinion on 13 Propositions for our party and Texas Legislature. Guess how many Propositions the Democrats are asking their like-minded people to vote on, **NONE!!** They don't care about their voices.

**Voting is the most patriotic action you can display.**



**Vote like your country depended on it.**

**At the February General Meeting, membership voted on the 2024 Nominating Committee who will nominate a slate of RWGC Executive Board Officers to serve in 2025. The members are: Gwen Wuori, Donna Hallonquist, Judy Frye, Marty Rhymes, Linda Lafferty and Noreen Freeman as (Alternate). Membership will vote near the end of the year for 2025 officers. If you would like to step up and serve on the board next year, reach out to any of the Nominating Committee members.**

God Bless You and America

Jennifer Kranzman

Republican Women of Gregg County – President



## **Programs & Special Events**

**Rhonda Anderson**

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President**

### **March Primary**

Early voting for the Texas Primary started on February 20 and ended on March 1. Election Day is March 5. If you didn't get a chance to early vote, please make sure you go on Election Day. Every vote matters!! Not only are you voting on important state races, you will be voting on 13 propositions that eventually could turn into legislation.

### **Update on Immigration Bill**

Senate Bill 4 was passed in the 4th special session. This bill will allow Law Enforcement and border patrol to arrest and remove migrants that entered Texas illegally. The U.S. Government has 2 lawsuits trying to stop the bill from officially becoming law on March, 5th 2024.

Just days after Texas Governor Greg Abbott signed the bill into law, a lawsuit was filed by the American Civil Liberties Union of Texas and the Texas Civil Rights Project on behalf of El Paso-based Las Americas Immigrant Advocacy Center, American Gateways, and El Paso County.

A motion for preliminary injunction followed in January 2024. Then the Department of Justice filed its own lawsuit after Gov. Abbott refused its request to back down from allowing SB4 to proceed to law.

The lawsuit filed by the advocacy groups was subsequently consolidated with the DOJ lawsuit, United States of America v. Texas.

The DOJ calls SB4 unconstitutional and says that it overrides federal law. This is one of many legal fights that Texas has been drawn into. The Biden Admin claims Gov Abbott has no authority when it comes to Federal immigration and are suing to remove the floating barriers and razor wire. As for the fight over SB 4, the Supreme Court has ruled in previous cases that states have a limited scope when it comes to immigration enforcement.

A coalition of 35 organizations are leading a series of protests across the state over the next few weeks urging Texans to demand the repeal of SB4 and the end of Operation Lone Star: Gov. Greg Abbott's border enforcement initiative.

### **Update on Ken Paxton legal problems**

On February 18th, a Houston District Court Judge rejected another attempt by AG Paxton arguing that he was denied a right to a speedy trial. This allows for the securities Fraud trial to start on April 15th.

**Campaign Activity Chair: Donna Hallonquist**

What a busy month we have had. Our retreat was very informative and fun at that. Boy, can we color. We have as of today 709 hours. Way to go ladies. Let's beat this total in February.



CONVENTION CENTER  
**Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center**  
900 E Market Street  
San Antonio, TX 78205



HOST HOTEL  
**Grand Hyatt San Antonio Riverwalk**  
600 E Market Street  
San Antonio, TX 78205

**CONVENTION SCHEDULE**

**Monday, May 20th**

11:00 AM	11:59 PM	Temporary Rules Committee
11:00 AM	11:59 PM	Temporary Platform Committee
11:00 AM	11:59 PM	Temporary Legislative Priorities Committee

**Tuesday, May 21st**

8:00 AM	11:59 PM	Temporary Rules Committee
8:00 AM	11:59 PM	Temporary Platform Committee
8:00 AM	11:59 PM	Temporary Legislative Priorities Committee

**Wednesday, May 22nd**

8:00 AM	11:59 PM	Temporary Rules Committee
8:00 AM	11:59 PM	Temporary Platform Committee
8:00 AM	11:59 PM	Temporary Legislative Priorities Committee
11:00 AM	11:59 PM	Temporary Credential Committee
11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Temporary Convention Organization Committee
2:00 PM	6:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Hours
2:00 PM	7:00 PM	Convention Registration Hours
4:00 PM	5:00 PM	SREC Meeting

**Thursday, May 23rd**

7:00 AM	7:00 PM	Convention Registration Hours
7:00 AM	7:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Hours
9:00 AM		First General Meeting
2:30 PM		First Senatorial Caucus District Meetings
4:45 PM		First Congressional Caucus District Meetings
6:30 PM		National Nominations Committee Meeting
7:00 PM		Permanent Rules Committee
7:00 PM		Permanent Platform Committee
7:00 PM		Permanent Legislative Priorities Committee
7:00 PM		Permanent Credentials Committee

**Friday, May 24th**

7:00 AM	7:00 PM	Convention Registration Hours
7:00 AM	7:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Hours
7:00 AM		Grassroots Club Members Only Breakfast
8:00 AM		Second Senatorial Caucus District Meetings
9:00 AM		State Nominations Committee Meeting
10:00 AM		Second General Meeting
1:30 PM		Third General Meeting
7:00 PM		Republican Party of Texas Gala

**Saturday, May 25th**

7:00 AM	3:00 PM	Convention Registration Hours
7:00 AM	3:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Hours
7:00 AM		Faith & Fellowship Breakfast
8:00 AM		Second Congressional Caucus District Meetings
10:00 AM		National Nomination Committee
12:00 PM		Congressional Luncheon
1:30 PM		Fourth General Meeting
4:30 PM		SREC Meeting (After GM)
TBD		National Delegation (After SR)

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**\$79.00**



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT  
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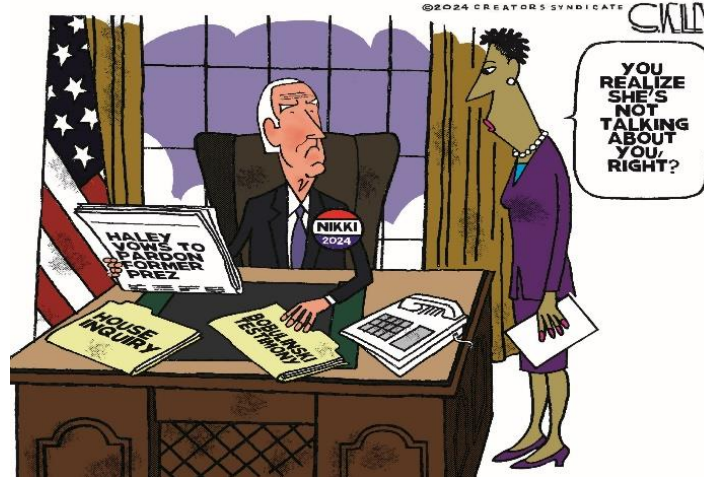


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Are you ready for state convention? Attend your Precinct and County Convention and tell us you would like to be a delegate.





**REPUBLICAN PRECINCT TIMES & LOCATIONS**

All Precinct Conventions will be held on  
**Sat. March 9<sup>th</sup>** at 2802 Gilmer Rd, Ste 5, Longview

9:00 am – Pct 7, Pct 3, Pct 9

10:30 am – Pct 4, Pct 5, Pct 15

12:00 pm – Pct 14, Pct 10, Pct 8

1:30 pm – Pct 11, Pct 12, Pct 6

3:00 pm – Pct 16, Pct 18, Pct 20

4:30 pm – Pct 19, Pct 13, Pct 2

6:00 pm – Pct 1, Pct 17, Pct 21

You must be present or let someone know if you want to be elected at Pct convention to be a delegate or alternate to attend County Convention.

**COUNTY CONVENTION Sat., March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Will be held at Community Connections

501 Pine Tree Road, Longview  
 connecting street W. Berkley, next to  
 Gifts of Grace

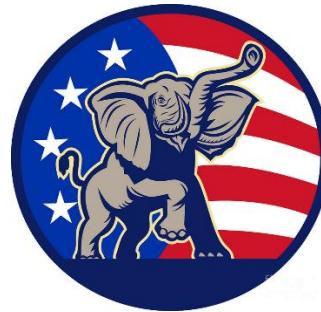
Open at 8:30 am begins at 9:00 am

must be checked in by 9:00 am

Plan to finish by 12:30 or 1:00 pm

Please bring Photo ID

Chairman Wm McWhorter - 903-235-4945



**TEXAS  
 INDEPENDENCE DAY  
 CANNON SHOOT**

Guest Speaker - Genevieve Collins: Why freedom is bigger in Texas  
 Gonzales Come & Take it - Cannon shooting with Judge LaFleur  
 Social hour to follow - RSVP is necessary for food count

**MARCH 2ND | 3PM**

**MARION COUNTY COURTHOUSE**

3pm - 4pm

114 W Austin St, Jefferson, TX 75657

**TO RSVP, OR FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

Zack Baldwin • ZBaldwin@afphq.org



**Membership Report**  
**Tricia Oxtan 2nd Vice President**

March is here and we are continuing our work to build our membership and make sure we meet the needs of our members by offering fellowship and many opportunities for each and every member to get involved in the political process and in outreach to the Gregg County community. We want to help you get involved as much as you would like to be.

First, we would like to welcome our new members. They are **Gail Apple, Sherry Barnes, Deborah Deas, Sharron Fowler, Donna Hallonquist, Kristen Ishihara, and Terri Kitchens.** Thank you all for joining RWGC! We were also pleased to have **Sharon DeHoff** as a visitor at our February luncheon. Each of these new members will soon be contacted by a mentor. This mentor is one of our members who will answer any questions they may have and help them get involved in our organization!

We currently have 41 members and are working towards our goal of 60 members in 2024! Please invite your Republican friends and neighbors to join RWGC.

**Please remember to let your voice be heard by voting on ELECTION DAY – Tuesday – March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024! Let's all do our part to turn this around and get a REPULICAN back in the White House!**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND MANY BLESSINGS ON YOUR SPECIAL DAY!

Geraldine Moore 3/3

Sheila Youngberg 3/23

Judi Morgan 3/24

Louise Sims 3/25

Cindy Bostick 3/27

Jerry Gipson 3/28

## Meet Noreen Freeman

### Our New Literacy Chair

I retired from public education in July 2018 after 30 years in education as a teacher, counselor, principal, and special education director. I have done part-time teaching and supervisions at ETBU as well as search liens for PrimeTime Investigations, owned by my brother.

I have two daughters and 3 stepdaughters that have blessed us with 5 wonderful son-in-laws and 9 grandchildren.

I have always been Conservative and joined RWGC in September 2022. I am also involved at Mobberly Baptist Church, BSF and T.O.W.N.(Texas Outdoor Women's Network)



My husband & I with our 9 grandkids!



Springhill Primary Librarian presented with books from RWGC



The books presented

If you would like to read to young school children as part of our Literacy Committee 2024 projects, contact Noreen.

## Important Dates to Remember in March

March 5: Primary Election Day  
March 6: RWGC Board Meeting 11:00 AM  
March 10: Daylight Savings Time starts  
March 17: St Patrick's Day  
March 19: First Day of Spring  
March 20: RWGC General Meeting @ Saltgrass  
March 29: Good Friday  
March 31: Easter



Please keep the following in your prayers:

- Linda Lafferty's husband
- Honest Presidential election
- Safer border
- Nancy's husband, Larry, for his shoulder appointment
- Upcoming Precinct and County conventions
- All working on elections in any way
- Tricia
- Tina

**PLAN TO JOIN US FOR THE MARCH MEETING ON THE 20TH  
AT SALTGRASS. ARRIVE AT 11:30 TO ORDER LUNCH.**

**March Program:** Cassie Howell with TFRW will explain the Republican Party Delegate Process

Our February speaker, Judge Leward LeFluer II, Chairman of East Texas Council of Governments



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