

## REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF GREGG COUNTY

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### Talking Point from the President

Let me start off by saying it is an honor to be serving you as your RWGC President for 2023 with a group of enthusiastic, conservative, faith-based women, some Mama Bears, and some Teddy Bears. You are reading my thoughts to you of the state of our community and nation in 2023. It is a blessing to live in the land of the free and the brave. Many take our freedoms for granted and seriously do not understand what it is like to live in a country where freedom is only a distant dream.

The Republic of Cuba has had a socialist political system since 1959 based on the “one state – one party” principle. Cuba is constitutionally defined as a Marxist-Leninist state. So why do so many people try to leave. Take Yoel Diaz, a UPS driver who immigrated to the U.S. in 2021 on a K1 Visa. He was a computer science teacher earning \$12 a month in Cuba. He spoke on Fox News, how blown away he was by the freedoms here, many taken for granted. He especially valued our Freedom of Speech! How does the saying go: Why do people never appreciate what they have until it is gone?

The wish for free education and free health care confuses many but comes at a price. A socialist deception with loss of many freedoms including free speech and labeling those that disagree as racist, or morally incorrect. What was wrong is now right. What was right is now wrong. We must show that faith, family, and freedom are not just words but are a valuable belief system. We need club story tellers and ambassadors informing our community of who we are and what we stand for.

So, in 2023 the RWGC Exec Board leadership is shared and plans to put club strategies in place with your help.

1. Be more visible to our community
2. Serve our local community
3. Bring programs to membership that interest you
4. Network with various Republican/Conservative organizations
5. Outreach to local schools and libraries on conservative values
6. Train and educate membership
7. Have working active committee volunteers
8. Prepare for the 2024 elections
9. Attract and grow membership with succession planning
10. Live a life of gratitude, unconditional love, service to God and to others.

### REMEMBER WHO WE ARE:

**MISSION:** To increase the participation and effectiveness of informed, conservative women, while working for the Republican Party and their nominees at the local, state and national level.

**VISION:** To be an influential grassroots movement of women encompassing all generations and cultures in Gregg County, working to nurture the importance of faith, family, and freedom and build strong leaders of tomorrow.

God Bless You and America

Jennifer Kranzman

Republican Women of Gregg County – President



<b>OFFICER</b>	<b>NAME</b>
<b>President (Required)</b>	Jennifer Kranzman
<b>Vice President (Required)</b>	Rhonda Anderson
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President</b>	Connie Wade
<b>PAC Treasurer (Required)</b>	Marty Rhymes
<b>Treasurer if different from PAC</b>	Gwendolyn Wuori
<b>Campaign Activities Committee (Required)</b>	Jennifer Kranzman
<b>Legislative Committee (Required)</b>	Rhonda Anderson
<b>Secretary (Required)</b>	Judy Frey

<b>CLUB Committee Chairs</b>	<b>NAME</b>
Membership	Connie Wade Gipson
Programs (If different from 1 <sup>st</sup> VP)	
Finance/Fundraising	Gwendolyn Wuori
Bylaws	Connie Wade Gipson
Caring for America	Dawn Barber
Americanism	Dawn Barber
Outreach	Teresa Cook
Social Media	Rhonda Anderson
Website	Rhonda Anderson/Rachael Sikes
Historian	Marty Rhymes
Hospitality	Nancy Holly
Parliamentarian	
Chaplain	Darrin Rudolph
Literacy	Sandy Anderson
Publicity	Tina McIlveene

**If any of these Committees interest you, we need your voice!**

**PROGRAM & SPECIAL EVENTS – Rhonda Anderson 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President**



The Republican Women of Gregg County participated in the National Wreaths across America event on December 17<sup>th</sup>. We were proud to be one of the many sponsors of this Nationwide event that has the mission to Remember, Honor and Teach by placing Wreaths on the gravesites of Veterans. Our members helped lay 600 wreaths at the Rosewood Park. Thank you to Members Gwen Wuori, Judy Frey, Nancy Holly, Dawn Barber and Donna Hallonquist for representing our club. See our Facebook page and website for photos from the event.

January's membership meeting is scheduled for January 18<sup>th</sup> 11:30a-1:00P at BJ's Brewhouse in Longview. Our speaker will be Sharon Williamson, District Director for State Rep. Jay Dean. She will be discussing the upcoming legislative session and how you can be involved. A presentation on using the Texas Legislative online website will be included and presented by Connie Wade. To learn more about using the website, visit [www.capitol.texas.gov](http://www.capitol.texas.gov) then click on My TLO to create your account.

February's membership meeting pending program topic scheduled for February 15<sup>th</sup> will provide information on potential vaccine side effects that are showing up, to keep you informed for your personal decision making.

TFRW 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Board meeting and Legislative Day is scheduled for February 3. This is a great event to attend. It is a very popular event and will sell out quickly. Discounted tickets are on sale now and end by January 13<sup>th</sup> and final ticket sales end on January 27<sup>th</sup>. To learn more about the event and purchase tickets, please visit [www.TFRW.org](http://www.TFRW.org) then click on events.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT – Connie Wade 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President**

Several RWGC members will celebrate birthdays in January! Wishes go out to Mary Murdoch on the 5th, Marion Mack on the 8th, Glenda Bays on the 10th, Marty Rhymes on the 13th, Michelle Gilley on the 17th and yours truly (Connie) on the 19th. It is time to begin sending membership reports and dues into TFRW. so, Gwen and I will be glad to collect \$40 dues at the January 18 membership meeting, pay online at RWGCTX website. Do not forget the associate member-nonvoting for \$15 (Republican man or full member in another club), or mail in your dues to RWGC, PO Box 5, Longview, Texas 75606. We have set a 2023 goal of 60 members; that is fairly lofty for a non-election year.

Together we can meet that goal! Our country needs us now more than ever.

**CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES – Jennifer Kranzman Chairman**

Heads up, the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter political hours are due to TFRW on **Jan 5<sup>th</sup>**, your Oct/Nov/Dec hours will come due. Use the [Hours Reporting Form](#) included in the November newsletter as a reference, available at our [RWGCTX.com](http://RWGCTX.com) website under November newsletter. We are working on a similar submission on our website. Send total hours only to [etetetet@aol.com](mailto:etetetet@aol.com) . Q&A 903 445 8627.

**Note the first member wishing to attend the 2023 Legislative Day on Friday, Feb 3 in Austin, your registration fee of \$85 will be waived if we hear from you by Thursday January 12, 2023 for the discounted price. Call 903 445 8627.**



Our Caring for America project **Reverse Christmas Food Box** was a big surprise for 9 unsuspecting families. Thanks to Dawn Barber, Tricia Oxton, Marty Rhymes, Rhonda Anderson, Connie Wade, Gwen Wuori, Jennifer Kranzman who wrapped their food gift boxes and helped deliver personally to these struggling mothers. Dawn did a wonderful job designing a homemade Christmas Card from our club for each box. Examples of who we served: A young mother with 3 very young children, a mother caring at home for her disabled 21 yr old ( like a 6 year old) and her 18 mos old responded with “Please express my gratitude for the holiday box!” We also delivered **gift bags at a local nursing home** to 4 elderly residents who have no family or people who visit them during the holidays. The shock and awe of a simple gift was priceless. Thank you Marty for thinking of the forgotten.





# Together We Keep Texas Red!



Scan the QR code to Learn More on how the organization's leadership structure is established.

### MEMBER'S PRAYER LIST

1. Tricia Oxton
2. Our newly elected officials
3. Our border towns & staff trying to keep us safe

### NEXT NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEADLINE

**Due Jan 20,2023 for  
February Newsletter!**

### LOCAL RESOURCES

- [RWGTX.COM](http://RWGTX.COM) ..... OUR WEBSITE
- [Republican Women of Gregg County](#) – Facebook
- look for event invites and sign up if attending
- [TFRW.org](http://TFRW.org) – TX Federation of Republican Women
- [NFRW.org](http://NFRW.org) - Nat'l Federation of Republican Women
- [online.hillsdale.edu](http://online.hillsdale.edu) free courses on History/Politics
- “Faith Still Moves Mountains” by Harris Faulkner #1
- [Leadership Institute Free Courses](#)

### Important Dates to Remember

Jan 5 Hours Due to Jennifer for TFRW

Jan 16 MLK Day

Jan 18 RWGC General Meeting BJ's 11:30 to 1pm

Feb 2 Capital Outing/Capital Crime & Cocktails

Feb 3 Legislative Day - AT&T Center, Austin

Feb 4 1st Qtr Board Meeting - AT&T Center - Austin

Feb 14 Valentine's Day

Feb 20 President's Day/ GOP bowling fund raiser

Feb 25 Membership Dues for 2023 due

Apr 14-15 2nd Qtr Board Meeting - Sheraton Georgetown

July 14-15 3rd Qtr Board Meeting - Courtyard, Pflugerville

Sep 28-30, 2023, NFRW Convention - Oklahoma City

Oct 12-14, 2023, TFRW Convention - Irving

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2. In the upper right corner of the TFRW website, click on the text **"Forgot Your Password?"**
3. You will then be prompted to enter your username/email address.
4. Enter your email address that was submitted to TFRW with your club's Membership Submission.
5. After you enter your email address, click the **"Get New Password"** button.
6. You will receive an email from WordPress with **"[TFRW] Password Reset"** in the subject line. This email contains a link to reset your password that was automatically generated.
7. Click on the link provided in that email.
8. Again, you will be prompted to enter your username/email address.
9. Enter your username/email address.
10. After you enter your username/email address, click the **"Get New Password"** button.
11. An auto-generated password that contains a string of upper-and lower-case letters, numbers, and symbols will already be in the **"New Password"** box.
12. Delete this auto-generated password, and enter a new password that you will easily remember, and be sure to write this password in a safe place so you can refer to it later. A meter will indicate the strength of your password (for example: Very Weak, Medium, Strong). **Hint:** Your password should be at least twelve characters long. To make it stronger, use upper- and lower-case letters, numbers, and symbols (! " ? \$ % ^ &).
13. After you have entered a strong password, click the **"Reset Password"** button.
14. You will receive a second email from WordPress with **"TFRW Notice of Password Change"** in the subject line to confirm that your password was successfully changed.

**If you need assistance or experience some difficulties when completing these steps, please contact the TFRW office at [tfrw@tfrw.org](mailto:tfrw@tfrw.org) or 512-477-1615.**



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