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Senate District #2







































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# **RCRW Mission Statement**

Promote an informed electorate through political education. Increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government through active political participation. Facilitate cooperation among Republican women of Texas. Foster loyalty to the Republican Party and promote its ideals. Work for the election of the Republican Party nominees.

# FROM THE PRESIDENT



Our TFRW President, Kit Whitehill's theme this year is "Building Strong Leaders for Texas". TFRW Leadership Day was a great kickoff to this campaign. I hope you have logged into the TFRW website (www.trfw.org) and taken advantage of all the training they have to offer. Please let me know if you have any difficulty logging in.

I would like to welcome our new TFRW Senate District 2 - District Director, Cindy Burkett, to RCRW. Cindy is a former Texas House Representative, who has experience with fundraising, getting out the vote, and getting people engaged with TFRW. Cindy also witnessed firsthand how the Democrats took over

Dallas and surrounding cities, and she will be a great asset for our club in keeping Rockwall RED. With redistricting, Melanie Grammar's club became part of Senate District 1; however, Melanie will always be part of our club, and I look forward to working with her in her new TFRW role.

As we prepare for early voting and the primary, I encourage each of you to do your research and ask questions of the candidates. Most importantly, remember there is a difference between advocating for the person you want to win, and campaigning against a candidate. In November, we all know our fellow strong Republicans will vote for the Republican candidate, but we must engage the "independent" and "purple" voters to vote "red".

A quick reminder, WE DO NOT HAVE A GENERAL MEETING THIS MONTH, due to our meeting date being on Valentine's Day. Happy Valentine's Day to all.

I look forward to seeing you at our February HH/Meet and Greet on February 15, 2022. More information is provided herein.

Lastly, I hope you will join us on March 18, 2022 for the RCRW Membership Block Party. All the information is listed below. God Bless,

Tiffany L. Miller, RCRW President 972-977-3321 president@rcrw.org

# **PROGRAMS**



I hope your new year has started off on the right foot!

We had a great time at the TFRW Leadership Day learning new things and meeting new people! What a great experience – I hope that you will consider joining us for the next one.

We have a great speaker set up for April. Dr Tim Westley, the RPT Historian, is a veteran of the U.S. Army, author of four books, and a graduate of Wayland Baptist University whereby he obtained a B.S. in Religion and a Masters of Christian Ministry. He is a two-time Republican Party Nominee for U.S. Congress. Was on the general election ballot in both 2016 and 2018 seeking to represent the people of U.S. Congressional District 15, TX.

Please join us, invite your friends and neighbors!

Date: April 11, 2022

Meeting Place: Rockwall Golf & Athletic Club 2600 Champions Drive Rockwall, Texas 75087

Time: 6:30 P.M.

We will be seated in classroom style seating. Water, tea and coffee will be provided, no food will be served or allowed.

Be sure to follow us on all social media platforms:

Website - <a href="http://www.rcrw.org/">http://www.rcrw.org/</a>

Facebook - @RCRWTX

Instagram – rockwallcountyrepublicanwomen

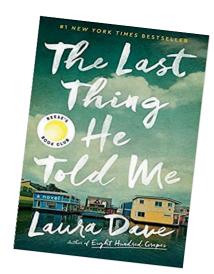


# RCRW Book Club -

We are so excited to include a new activity!!! We will meet once a quarter to discuss the current book. Join us, even if you can't read the book, for a fun time to get together and compare thoughts about the book. The first selection is: The Last Thing He Told Me by Laura Dave.

We will be meeting at Rosini's Vineyard, 411 State Hwy 205, Rockwall, Texas 75032, on Sunday, March 27, 2022, from 2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

If you are interested in joining the Programing Committee, please contact me. We will be setting up the programs and other fun activities for the year.



# **Liberty Ladies Lunching**



# Mark your calendars:

4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month (February 28, 2022) Meeting Place:

The Bagel Lady -

316 S Goliad Street, Suite 201, Rockwall, Texas 75087

Meet in the Tea House side

Time: 11:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

We had a wonderful time together at our first lunch and look forward to our next gathering to catch up and maybe make new friends.











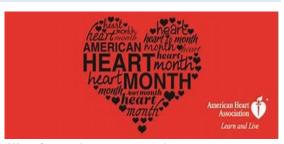
Looking forward to seeing you at the meeting,

Alma McClintock, Vice President, Programs

# **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**



Happy February to you all! In addition to February being the month of Valentine's, it's American Heart Health month. So, take care of your health and follow the American Heart Association's guide to a healthy Heart.



So happy to see all the new people and familiar faces that came to the January Happy Hour @ Yogi's. While it wasn't as large of a turnout as we've been having, we definitely had a decent sized crowd. It was really a lot of fun with Karaoke just starting up the night we had our event. Kudos to Dennis London in getting up on stage performing a song for us! Great job Dennis! Better you than me!

Just so that you are all aware, TFRW's rules are that the 2021 membership cycle ends each October 31<sup>st</sup> and New membership for the next year begins November 1<sup>st</sup>. Our club grew to 247 members for 2020/2021. Membership is really staying steady with renewing new members. If we keep going at this rate our numbers will be as great as they were at the end of 2021. So, with that said, I'd like to recognize our new members and renewals as indicated below:

### **New Members**

Angela Ackerson Rebecca Bafford Cindy Bivins

### Renewals

Anna Campbell & Gary Cannavo Lea & Tim Carlson Wanda Claflin

Ann Hettinger Chris Hoar Melba & Stan Jeffus

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Brenda Campagna Erin & Michael Easter Rhody Lynn Kennedy
Alex Fowler Jerry Fisher Patti Muggeo

Tammy Hawkes Jerry Fisher Patti Muga Kay Nash

Hays Hettinger Sharon & Richard Henson Amy & Trace Johannesen
Marie Howard Sandra & Mitch Ownby Cathy & Terry Penn
Deborah Johns Jessica Metts Pam Miley

Jessica KendallSondra RampyTes RodriguezLaura PodinaPhyllis & Ken SalversonEdie SmithGeri SmithJulie SpokesDavid SweetMary StaceyTricia ThornbergKathryn Wacker

Joanna (Jody) Wright Mary Ward Frances & John White
John Vick Jeanine & Milt Wittig Jennifer Ziesk

John Harper Debra Harper Jennifer & Chad Fogg
Toni Felts Pam & John Benedetto

Membership totals for the 2022 year are as follows:

 Members
 74

 Associates
 31

 Honorary
 3

 108

Best regards,

Karen Myers, Vice President, Membership

# TREASURER'S REPORT



# Treasure Report as of 1/31/2022

 Operating Account

 Balance Forward
 \$23,063.59

 Income
 \$2,290.00

 Expenses
 \$2,267.03

 Grand Total
 \$23,086.56

Scholarship Account

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 Opening balance
 \$2,131.64

 Income
 \$ 0.00

 Expenses
 \$ 5.75

 Total
 \$2,125.64

Frances White, Treasurer



# **POLITICAL ACTIVITIES**



We made it through the 1st month of 2022! For Q4 we reported 4092 hours-thank you to everyone that took time to submit these. Please consider turning in January activity ASAP. Do you have questions about what qualifies? Call or email me at 817-614-7361 and/or labandxray@Gmail.com

Toni Felts, Vice President Political Activities

"There is no limit to the amount of good you can do if you don't care who gets the credit."

-Ronald Reagan

#### **LEGISLATION**

## **KEEP NINE AMENDMENT**



It's always wonderful to see so many old friends and to make new friends at TFRW events. Leadership Day was no exception. We had so many wonderful training sessions, and I know that our members are ready to roll for the upcoming election. Early voting begins Monday, February 14th, and runs through Friday, February 25th, with Primary Election Day on Tuesday, March 1st. It will be here before we know it, so again, please reach out to your County Chair for opportunities to work during the election. Also, please complete the online Poll Watcher training HERE, so that you will be eligible to be appointed by your County Chair or by a candidate to serve as a Poll Watcher. TFRW

members play a significant role in maintaining election integrity, so PLEASE VOLUNTEER TODAY!

Speaking of integrity, TFRW wants to formally announce its support for the Keep Nine Amendment to the United States Constitution. Quite simply, this proposed amendment states, "The Supreme Court of the United States shall be composed of nine Justices." TFRW joins the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW) and the Republican National Committee (RNC), among others, in supporting this endeavor.

Why now? Our Founding Fathers crafted a magnificent document, our Constitution, that ensures certain unalienable rights to all Americans. These rights are protected, at least in part, by the independence of the Judiciary but are being threatened by progressive lawmakers pushing to pack our Supreme Court. While the Supreme Court has not always consisted of nine justices, it has been that way for more than 150 years.

The impetus for an amendment to prohibit court packing began in 2019 when Senator Rubio, joined by Senator Cornyn and 20 other Republican senators, filed S.J.Res. 14 which provides "The Supreme Court of the United States shall be composed of not more than nine justices." (\*1) Then, in the summer of 2020, a bipartisan group dominated by former state attorneys general formed the Coalition to Preserve the Independence of the Supreme Court, which calls itself "Keep Nine" for short. Subsequently, in February 2021, Senator Cruz introduced the "Keep Nine" amendment in the Senate. See S.J.Res. 9. The goal of both resolutions is to prevent either party from using the Supreme Court as a political tool for its own advantage, and the good news is that Texas Republican leaders are united when it comes to maintaining our Supreme Court at nine justices.

This is the perfect time for our members to approach their Congressional Representatives and Congressional candidates and ask them to go on the record in support of the Keep Nine amendment. This will not be an easy

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effort, because amending the U.S. Constitution typically requires the vote of 2/3 of the members of both the House and the Senate and then ratification by 3/4 of state legislatures. (\*2) However, TFRW never has been deterred because something wasn't going to be easy!

For more information about Keep Nine, go to keepnine.org. If you are interested in working on this initiative with TFRW, contact me at vplegislation@ tfrw.org to join our Keep Nine committee.

- (\*1) Joint resolutions are used for proposing amendments to the Constitution. Rubio, Cornyn, et al. reintroduced S.J.Res. 14 in the current congressional session in January 2021. See S.J.Res. 4 (2021).
- (\*2) There are four methods to amend the Constitution, but all four methods of amendment are essentially equal in difficulty.

# Robbi Hull TFRW VP of Legislation

# RCRW SOCIAL TIME

Join us for a fabulous Mardi Gras theme and Republican Candidate Meet and Greet!



February 15, 2022 –

Dodie's Cajun Restaurant at The Harbor

6:00-8:00 P.M.

2067 Summer Lee Drive. Suite 115, Rockwall, Texas 75032

Membership Potluck

March 18, 2022-7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

At The Center

BBQ, beer, wine, & tea provided

Potluck salads, sides, & deserts contact Pam Benedetto or sign up directly (sign up link)
Live & Silent Auction

DJ

Underwriting opportunities available \$100, Contact Tiffany Miller

# **Easy King Cake Cupcakes**

Ingredients:

1 8 oz package of Crescent roll dough

1 tbsp cinnamon

½ tbsp butter, melted

1/3 c lightly packed brown sugar

½ chopped pecans

Trinket (plastic baby, shelled pecan, dry bean, plastic coin)



2 oz softened cream cheese

1 tbsp heavy cream

Purple, yellow, green sanding sugar or sprinkles

<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> c powdered sugar <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> tsp vanilla extract



- 1. Preheat oven 350 F and place 9 cupcake liners into a cupcake pan
- 2. Lightly flour your work surface. Roll out your prepared dough. Pinch all seems together and roll the dough a little thinner, making it about ¼ wider and longer. Be sure one of the long sides of the rectangle is closest to you.





- 3. Mix the sugar, cinnamon, and butter together in a bowl and spread over your dough, leaving about a ½ inch margin at the top. Sprinkle the pecans over the sugar mixture and place the trinket somewhere towards the bottom (the side of the rectangle closest to you)
- 4. Starting at the bottom, roll the dough evenly like you would a cinnamon roll. Pinch the top seam to the roll so the cupcakes do not unravel. Cut into 9 equal sections and place your cupcake liners.
- 5. Bake for 12-14 minutes until the tops are lightly browned and the dough is cooked through. Remove from the oven immediately and then mix the frosting.
- 6. To mix the frosting, use a fork to combine the cream cheese, vanilla, and powdered sugar in a bowl. Add the heavy cream 1 teaspoon at a time until you have reached a nice spreadable consistency.
- 7. Spread the frosting on the still warm cupcakes and decorate with colored sprinkles.

Jessica Metts, Social Chair

## **SCHOLARSHIP**



The Scholarship Packets/Applications are now available to students. If you have a Senior enrolled in Rockwall ISD, access to the application is available through the counselor's website. If you have a Senior in either a home school program or enrolled in Royse City ISD and is interested in a scholarship application, please let me know via email.



All applications are due to Rockwall ISD by March first. If the students are homeschooled or with Royse City ISD, the applications are due to me no later than

4:00 P.M. on March 1st.

If you have any questions, please reach out to me at rockwallcampbells@gmail.com.

# God Bless! Anna Campbell, Scholarship Chair

# ROCKWALL COUNTY UPDATE



As you drive around the county, it's pretty clear elections are right around the corner! (I know, you'll be glad when the signs are gone!). Early voting starts on Monday, February the 14<sup>th</sup> and ends on Friday, February 25<sup>th</sup>. Early voting locations are Fate City Hall, Heath City Hall, Royse City City Hall and the Rockwall County Library. A simple reminder, Rockwall County registered voters can vote at any of the early voting locations.

Election Day is Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> and this will be the second election in Rockwall County after being designated as a County Wide Polling Location by the Texas Secretary of State which means that just like early voting, voters can vote at any of the 13 election day sites throughout the county.

To see a list of the election day locations, view sample ballots or to double check your voter registration, please go to the Rockwall County Elections Website at rockwallvotes.com.

As of January 12<sup>th</sup>, there were 75,000 registered voters in Rockwall County. In 2020, 12,673 ballots were cast in Republican Primary which was 19.32 percent of registered voters. In 2018, 10,078 ballots were cast in the Republican Primary which was 16.8 percent of registered voters.

With contested races on the national, state and county level, your vote is extremely important and truly counts. If you are receiving this newsletter, chances are you are an active Republican and plan to vote! Please encourage family members and friend to join you in casting their ballots. Straight to the point, encourage everyone to GO VOTE!

It truly is an honor serving as the Rockwall County Judge. You are always more than welcome to call or email me or simply stop by my office. My office number is 972-204-6001, my cell number is 972-639-6530 and my email address is <a href="mailto:dsweet@rockwallcountytexas.com">dsweet@rockwallcountytexas.com</a>. My office is located in the Historic Courthouse in Downtown Rockwall. God bless all of you!

David Sweet Rockwall County Judge



# SENATE DISTRICT 2

# PATIENTS' RIGHTS – INFORMED CONSENT IS A VITAL PART OF THE TEXAS HEALTH CODE

When a loved one is admitted to the hospital, it is easy to let the doctors and nurses follow their training and use their extensive experience to help the patient recover from COVID-19.

Today, however, hospital policies often get in the way of doctor-prescribed treatment plans. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services have created a new enhanced payment opportunity for hospitals using products that have been either approved under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) or are newly approved. Currently, that product list includes the medications Remdesivir and Baricitinib.

Remdesivir received emergency use approval in November 2020, in combination with a drug called Baricitinib, which is labeled for use on patients

with rheumatoid arthritis. The FDA requires that a recipient of any medical product authorized under an EUA be informed of the following:

- The FDA has authorized emergency use of the product in a specific age group for a specific illness;
- The existence of significant known and potential benefits and risks associated with use of the product;
- The patient has the option to refuse the EUA product without threat of reprisal; and
- Alternative treatment methods as well as possible side effects of those methods.

The FDA recommends the provision of a fact sheet that includes the product name, intended use, description of the illness, contact information for reporting adverse reactions, and dosing information in order to obtain the informed consent of the patient. However, this recommendation is not, as of 2022, codified into state or federal law. No products approved under an EUA may be mandated by state or federal laws.

Informed consent is a vital part of the Texas Health Code. The provision of any medication or procedure without explicit consent by the patient or the person with decision-making power is illegal and potential grounds for a healthcare liability claim under the Civil Practice and Remedies Code, Title 4, Chapter 74.101.

Nurses or doctors may inform you that you will receive a certain medication. You have the right to refuse and request a different treatment. Your doctor works for you, so do not be afraid to tell them what treatment you prefer. Hospital policies may dictate that Remdesivir is the preferred treatment for COVID-19, but studies in France have shown multiple deaths due to renal failure or multiple-organ failure as a result of taking the drug. If that concerns you, ask your doctor if he or she is aware of these studies showing negative outcomes.

Currently, Remdesivir and Baricitinib is a preferred treatment combination for COVID-19. Remdesivir is FDA approved under an Emergency Use Authorization for minors under 12 years old. The antiviral medication is fully approved by the FDA for those over 12 and weighing over 88 lbs. Despite multiple studies indicating that the use of Remdesivir can lead to renal damage and often results in multiple-organ failure, the United States government has decided that it is appropriate for use and provides financial incentives for hospitals to do so.

Hospital systems across Texas have decided to prioritize the use of Remdesivir over other highly successful medications that are used off-label, such as Ivermectin, Hydrochloroquine, and Budesonide. All three of these medications are FDA approved and have been highly successful in treating COVID-19 when administered with a combination of medications in the early days of illness with a significant viral load. However, since they are not labeled or directly approved by the FDA for COVID-19 treatment, some hospitals and doctors will refuse to prescribe or use Ivermectin, Hydrochloroquine, or Budesonide in a hospital setting. This is where you, as the patient, must advocate for yourself. Families have sued and defeated hospitals in court to obtain their preferred courses of treatment for COVID-19.

You also have the right to leave the hospital at any time to receive in-home treatment from a frontline doctor or your choice of provider. No hospital can hold anyone against his will.

Senator Bob Hall, SD 2

# HOUSE REPRESENTATIVE



Below are links to all various Proclamations and Press Releases from January 2022:

Governor Abbott Renews Border Security Disaster Declaration In January 2022

January 22, 2022 | Austin, Texas | Proclamation

<u>https://gov.texas.gov/news/post/governor-abbott-renews-border-security-disaster-declaration-in-january-2022</u>

Governor Abbott Sues To Protect Texas National Guard From President Biden's COVID-19 Vaccine Mandate

January 4, 2022 | Austin, Texas | <u>Press Release https://gov.texas.gov/news/post/governor-abbott-sues-to-protect-texas-national-guard-from-president-bidens-covid-19-vaccine-mandate</u>

Governor Abbott, TDEM, DSHS Request Federally-Supported COVID-19 Testing Sites, Medical Personnel, Increased Monoclonal Antibody Allocations

December 31, 2021 | Austin, Texas | Press Release

 $\underline{https://gov.texas.gov/news/post/governor-abbott-tdem-dshs-request-federally-supported-covid-19-testing-sites-medical-personnel-increased-monoclonal-antibody-allocations$ 

# TWC Commissioners Letter Regarding the COVID-19 Vaccine Mandate

December 8, 2021

https://www.twc.texas.gov/files/businesses/commissioner-letter-covid19-vac-mandate-120821-twc.pdf

# Texas now has more jobs than it did before the pandemic hit

January 28, 2022

https://www.texastribune.org/2022/01/28/texas-unemployment-jobs-pandemic/

# Supreme Court again declines to intervene in challenge to Texas abortion law

January 20, 2022

https://www.texastribune.org/2022/01/20/supreme-court-texas-abortion-law-challenge/

# **Governor Greg Abbott Unveils Parental Bill of Rights**

January 20, 2022

https://www.gregabbott.com/governor-greg-abbott-unveils-parental-bill-rights/

# 'Surging' Texas economy sets monthly high in sales-tax collections for third straight month

January 3, 2022

https://www.dallasnews.com/news/politics/2022/01/03/surging-texas-economy-sets-monthly-high-in-sales-tax-collections-for-third-straight-month/

# Benefit from homestead exemption tax breaks sooner

January 16, 2022

https://www.dallasnews.com/sponsored/real-estate/2022/01/16/benefit-from-homestead-exemption-tax-breaks-sooner/

# Texas secretary of state reveals 1st results from forensic audit of Dallas, Collin, Tarrant counties

December 31, 2021

https://www.dallasnews.com/news/politics/2021/12/31/texas-secretary-of-state-reveals-1st-results-from-forensic-audit-of-dallas-collin-tarrant-counties/

# Texas gains seven Tier One universities in a decade

January 3, 2022

https://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/editorials/2022/01/03/texas-gains-seven-tier-one-universities-in-a-decade/

# New Texas laws taking effect today tackle property taxes, food delivery services and police funding

January 1, 2022

https://www.expressnews.com/news/legislature/article/New-Texas-laws-taking-effect-today-tackle-16740597.php#:~:text=The%20laws%20taking%20effect%20Jan,place%20from%20January%20to%20May.

# GOP expands effort for South Texas dominance to local races

January 5, 2022

https://www.texastribune.org/2022/01/05/gop-south-texas-local-races/

# Texas Sen. Cornyn leads GOP pushback as Democrats tout federal voting bills

January 12, 2022

https://www.houstonchronicle.com/politics/texas/article/Texas-Sen-Cornyn-leads-GOP-pushback-as-Democrats-16767642.php

# Gov. Greg Abbott focuses on police, border security in early campaign stops

January 12, 2022

https://www.houstonchronicle.com/politics/texas/article/Gov-Greg-Abbott-focuses-on-police-border-16768147.php

# Texas oil and gas revenue increased by nearly \$2B in 2021

January 12, 2022

https://www.houstonchronicle.com/business/energy/article/Texas-oil-and-gas-industry-paid-15-8B-in-taxes-16767552.php#:~:text=The%20Texas%20oil%20and%20gas,Texas%20Oil%20and%20Gas%20Association.

# Supreme Court halts COVID-19 vaccine rule for US businesses

January 13, 2022

https://apnews.com/article/supreme-court-vaccine-mandate-eb5899ae1fe5b62b6f4d51f54a3cd375

# Retired teachers' checks of up to \$2,400 roll out

January 15, 2022

https://www.texastribune.org/2021/08/28/texas-retired-teachers-13th-check/

# Crowds turn out for North Texas March for Life in Dallas to celebrate state's new abortion law January 15, 2022

https://www.dallasnews.com/news/politics/2022/01/15/crowds-turn-out-for-north-texas-march-for-life-in-dallas-to-celebrate-the-states-new-abortion-law/

# ERCOT: Texas grid 'more prepared' for winter 'than ever before'

January 18, 2022

https://www.houstonchronicle.com/business/energy/article/ERCOT-Texas-grid-more-prepared-for-winter-16786029.php

# East Texas County Official Pleads Guilty to Misdemeanor Election Fraud

January 22, 2022

https://www.nbcdfw.com/news/local/texas-news/east-texas-county-official-pleads-guilty-to-misdemeanor-election-fraud/2864891/

# Texas judge blocks Biden's federal worker vaccine mandate

January 21, 2022

https://www.cbsnews.com/news/judge-blocks-biden-federal-worker-vaccine-mandate/

# Gov. Greg Abbott urges court to allow unilateral pursuit of vote fraud by Texas AG Ken Paxton

January 25, 2022

https://www.dallasnews.com/news/elections/2022/01/25/gov-greg-abbott-urges-court-to-allow-unilateral-pursuit-of-vote-fraud-by-texas-ag-ken-paxton/

# Lawmakers, prioritize rural Texas schoolteachers

January 28, 2022

https://www.expressnews.com/opinion/commentary/article/Commentary-rural-Texas-schoolteacher-16811433.php

Justin Holland, State Representative HD 33

### SREC REPORT



Propositions that were passed and will be placed on the primary ballot are:

- 1. Border Security In light of the federal government's refusal to defend the southern border, Texas should immediately deploy the National Guard, Texas Military Forces, and necessary state law enforcement to seal the border, enforce immigrations laws, and deport illegal aliens.
- 2. Eliminate Property Tax Texas should eliminate all property taxes within ten (10) years without implementing a state income tax.
- 3. Vaccine Mandate Texans should not lose their job nor students be penalized for declining a COVID-19 vaccine.
- 4. Parents' Rights and Critical Race Theory Texas schools should teach students basic knowledge and American exceptionalism and reject Critical Race

Theory and other curricula that promote Marxist doctrine and encourage division based on creed, race, or economic status.

- 5. Right To Life Texas should enact a State Constitutional Amendment to defend the sanctity of innocent human life, created in the image of God, from fertilization until natural death.
- 6. Committee Chairs The Republican-controlled Texas Legislature should end the practice of awarding committee chairmanships to Democrats.
- 7. Election Integrity Texas should protect the integrity of our elections by verifying that registered voters are American citizens, restoring felony penalties, and enacting civil penalties for voter fraud, and fighting any federal takeover of state elections.
- 8. Gender Modification Texas should ban chemical castration, puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, and genital mutilation surgery on all minor children for sex transition purposes.
- 9. Parental Educational Relief Texas parents and guardians should have the right to select schools, whether public or private, for their children, and the funding should follow the student.
- 10. Freedom of Conscience Texans affirm that our freedoms come from God and that the government should have no control over the conscience of individuals.

Jerry Fisher, SREC Representative for SD2

### TFRW REPORT





I hope you were one of the 350+ women who attended our Building Strong Leaders for Texas Leadership Day in San Marcos. What an amazing day and weekend it was! It took many hours of hard work and planning by our Leadership Day team and office staff to make Leadership Day happen, and I thank each of them for their dedication that led to a successful event.

But I also want to thank each woman who attended and supported Leadership Day. You ladies brought unmatched energy, enthusiasm, and excitement to the day.

It is hard for me to express the emotions I felt throughout the day as I saw everything from the Candidate Meet and Greet, the headshots, the breakout sessions, the luncheon, and the AG forum come together perfectly. All I could think was this is what TFRW is all about and seeing it all come together made all the hours worthwhile.

The Patron's Event with our speaker Retired U.S. Air Force Captain, Joni Marquez was a special evening that I will remember for many years. Joni shared her emotional story of how the events of August 6th, 2011, when she was the fire control officer aboard an AC-130 gunship, forever changed her life. It was on this tragic night that a Chinook with the call sign Extortion 17 was shot down killing 31 heroes. I could not have been more proud of our TFRW organization as our members rallied around Joni and encouraged her and loved on her. If you would like to send Joni a thank you note please send it in care of TFRW, PO Box 171146, Austin, TX, 78717-0041. I know your notes would mean the world to her.

The Attorney General Candidate Forum was another highlight. I agreed with the candidate who stated he wished Julie Faubel, our Forum Moderator, could lead all their upcoming forums. Thank you Julie for your professionalism throughout the forum planning process and during the event. As always, you represented TFRW so well!

A huge thank you goes out to Cassie Daniel Howell and her team for planning breakout sessions that were instructive and entertaining. If you left before the closing session you missed a real treat. Not only did Cassie train us on how the RPT convention process works, but she entertained us as only Cassie can.

- Be looking for more information coming soon on ways you can say YES to:
- Volunteering for the VEP program
- Participating in the Membership Postcard Drive
- Volunteering to be an Election Judge, Election Clerk, or Poll Watcher
- Participating in Monthly Days of Action
- Attending your Precinct Convention, SD/County Convention and the RPT State Convention
- Joining a TFRW Committee

Thank you for the honor of serving you.

Building Strong Leaders for Texas,

Kit Whitehill

**TFRW President** 

"Great leaders don't set out to be a leader. They set out to make the difference. It is never about the role - always about the goal." - Lisa Haisha

#### **VDR TRAINING**

# VOTER REGISTRATION DEPUTY TRAINING

Anyone wanting to become a VDR can study the information online through the SOS website at: <a href="https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms/volunteer-deputy-registrar-training.pdf">https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms/volunteer-deputy-registrar-training.pdf</a>
Print and take the test from SOS as well:

https://www.sos.texas.gov/elections/forms/exam-volunteer-deputy-registrars.pdf#search=volunteer%20deputy%20registrar

(If you do not have a printer, you can take the exam at the Election's Office)

Once you complete the exam, call the Elections office to set up an appointment to bring in the test and complete the required paperwork.



FRIDAY | MARCH 18 | 7PM - 9PM

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# ROCKWALL COUNTY MARCH 1, 2022 PRIMARY ELECTION

# **EARLY VOTING**

# FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup>- FEBRUARY 25<sup>TH</sup>

(Early Voting on Sunday, FEB. 20<sup>th</sup> at County Library only)

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The Rockwall County Elections Office will be open the same hours as Early Voting.

# For more information visit <u>www.rockwallvotes.com</u>

Rockwall County Elections Office 915 Whitmore Dr., Ste. D Rockwall, TX 75087 (972) 204-6200

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## **CALENDAR**

# Please see our website for updated event information.

# Republican Events:

February 12, 2022 - Republican Men's Club Meeting: 8:00 A.M., at The Center, 108 E. Washington Street, Rockwall, Texas 75087, for more information go to <a href="https://www.facebook.com/rockwallgopmen">https://www.facebook.com/rockwallgopmen</a>.

February 14 – 25, 2022: Early voting, for locations and times go to www.rockwallvotes.com.

February 15, 2022 – RCRW Happy Hour: 6:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M., at Dodie's Cajun Diner at the Harbor, 2067 Summer Lee Drive, Ste 115, Rockwall, Texas 75032.

February 26, 2022 – Rockwall County Republican Party Reagan Day Dinner "Regan On The Ranch": 4:30 P.M. VIP activities begin, 5:00 P.M., registration, silent auction and cash bar open, 7:00 P.M. – 10:00 P.M., program, dinner and live music at Boyd Farm, 10350 State Highway 205, Lavon, Texas 75166.

March 1, 2022 – Primary Election Day.

March 2, 2022 - GOP Lunch Bunch: 11:45 A.M., at Luigi's Italian Cafe, 2002 S. Goliad Street, Rockwall, Texas 75087 cost is \$13.00.

March 5, 2022 – Rockwall County Republican Precinct Conventions: 10:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M., at Liberty Hall at the Rockwall County Courthouse, 1111 E. Yellowjacket Lane, Rockwall, Texas 75087.

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March 18, 2022 – RCRW Membership Dinner and Block Party: Doors open at 7:00 P.M., at The Center, 108 E. Washington Street, Rockwall, Texas 75087, potluck for salads, sides and desserts, main dish will be provided, auctions and live music, cost is free but there are opportunities for underwriting donations in the amount of \$100.00.

March 26, 2022 – Rockwall County Republican Convention. More details coming soon.

# **Community**

February 12, 2022 –Chocolate Indulgence benefiting Women In Need: for more information go to https://wintexas.org.

February 18, 2022 - Boys and Girls Clubs of Northeast Texas, Masquerade Gala: 6:00 P.M. at the Hilton Dallas/Rockwall Lakefront, 2055 Summer Lee Drive, Rockwall, Texas 75087, for more information and tickets go to www.bit.ly/bgcnetxmasquerade.

February 24, 2022 – Rockwall Chamber's 2022 Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet: 6:00 P.M. until 10:00 P.M., at the Hilton Dallas/Rockwall Lakefront, 2055 Summer Lee Drive, Rockwall, Texas 75087, for more information and tickets go to www.business.rockwallchamber.org.

March 7-11, 2022 – Spring Break, Rockwall Independent School District.

March 19, 2022 – CASA Bunco & Bubbles: 10:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M. at Occasions at Stone River, 1250 Fm 2453, Royse City, Texas 75189, for tickets go to www.lonestarcasa.kindful.com

March 28, 2022 – Go Blue for Kids Kickoff Party for Child Abuse Prevention Month: 4:00 P.M. until 6:00 P.M., at Standard Service, 4240 Ridge Road, Heath, Texas 75032.

April 2, 2022 – Rockwall Women's League Charity Ball "East Meets West": 6:00 P.M. at The Renaissance Dallas at Plano Legacy West Hotel, for tickets text eastwest2022 to 243725 or https://one.bidpal.net/eastwest2022.

God Bless Texas!!!

April 30, 2022 – 6th Annual Go Blue For Kids Gala – A Blue Ribbon A – Fair, benefiting Children's Advocacy Center for Rockwall County: 6:30 P.M. at Boyd Farm, 10350 State Highway 205, Lavon, Texas 75166, for tickets go to https://bidpal.net/goblueforkids.

# **Our Government Meetings:**

Rockwall City Council – Meets the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 6:00 P.M. Heath City Council – Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 P.M. McClendon-Chisholm City Council – Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 6:30 P.M. Fate City Council - Meets the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 6:00 P.M. Royse City City Council – Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. Rockwall Commissioners Court – Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 9:00 A.M.

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