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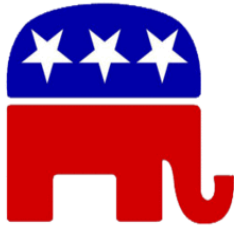


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The Bay Area Republican Women (BARW) typically meets the fourth Wednesday of each month, excluding June and July. The purposes of BARW is to promote an informed electorate through political education, increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government through active political participation, and facilitate cooperation among Republican women of Texas, foster loyalty to the Republican Party and to promote its ideals, and work for the election of the Republican Party's nominees.



## President's Message

**Bay Area Republican Women,**

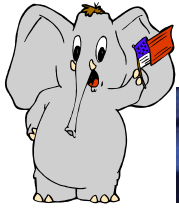
**There has been a world wind of activity since the election. Every day I see the anger towards the President and conservatives. president Trump (and we) are under siege from the progressive left. I am sure you have noticed the blatant bias of the media and the animosity towards the administration by everyone from young clueless snowflakes to the Hollywood elite. Our President is attacked each and every day so I ask that you take time each day to pray for him and the nation. A shake up in Washington has been long overdue and he is working hard to fulfill his promises to the public.**

**I hope many of you had a chance to attend the Lincoln Dinner. It was a wonderful evening and our speaker James O'Keeffe had a great deal of information to share with the group about what is really going on behind closed doors.**

**Next up on our agenda is our upcoming meeting with guest speaker Bill King. He will be discussing the pension issue facing the city of Houston. This issue affects the entire city and it should be a very informative meeting. We hope to see you Wednesday.**

**Tammy Barrier**





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## Speaker Highlight

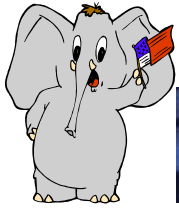


Bill King

The guest speaker will be Bill King - lawyer, president of Southwest Airport Services (1998-2015), former managing partner of Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson. Former mayor of Kemah (2001-2005).

Social will begin at 11 a.m., followed by the meeting at 11:30 a.m. Lunch will be \$19.00, payable at the door. As always, please RSVP to [barw.rsvp@gmail.com](mailto:barw.rsvp@gmail.com) if you intend to each lunch.





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## Meals on Wheels

**In February your donations to Bay Area Meals on Wheels was \$274. That's a good number and they are so grateful and appreciative of our donations, I wish we could make it more.**

**You can write a check for your donation and you will receive a receipt from B.A. Meals on Wheels that you can include in your tax deductions.**

**The recipients of the meals sometimes don't see another person other than the volunteers who bring their food. Many are very lonely and appreciate the interface with other people. Think about donating a couple of hours a week or month to be a driver or a person who rides along. It is very rewarding.**

**Thanks so much for your donations.**

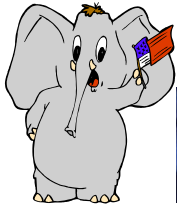
Jean Raffetto – Caring for America Chair

The Bay Area Republican Women lost a dear friend and a former president. Alicia Casmus was a strong Republican woman who served as the president of BARW in 1981-1982.

Alicia was the mother of 5 sons, all of whom were Eagle Scouts. She was also named the "Texas Mother of the Year" in 1982 which was well deserved and made us all extremely proud. She was a true Southern lady from Savannah, Georgia. She always had a smile on her face and a twinkle in her beautiful blue eyes.

Alicia passed away March 3 and a funeral mass was held on March 8 at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in Nassau Bay where she was extremely active. She will be missed by many.





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## Club Calendar

### March

20<sup>th</sup> First Day of Spring

20<sup>th</sup> San Jacinto RW, Peppers Beef and Seafood, 3604 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, 6:30 p.m.

22<sup>nd</sup> Bay Area RW meeting, Bay Oaks Country Club, 14545 Bay Oaks Blvd., Houston. 11 a.m. Social; 11:30 a.m. meeting; 12 noon Speaker - Bill King; \$19.00 price fixed lunch available. RSVP to [barw.rsvp@gmail.com](mailto:barw.rsvp@gmail.com)

23<sup>rd</sup> Friendswood RW, Friendswood Chamber of Commerce, 1100 Friendswood Dr., Friendswood, 11:15 a.m.

### April

1<sup>st</sup> April Fool's Day

5<sup>th</sup> TFRW Bells and Boots, Sholtz Garden, Austin

5<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> TFRW Quarterly Board Meeting, Austin, TX

6<sup>th</sup> TFRW Legislative Day, Austin

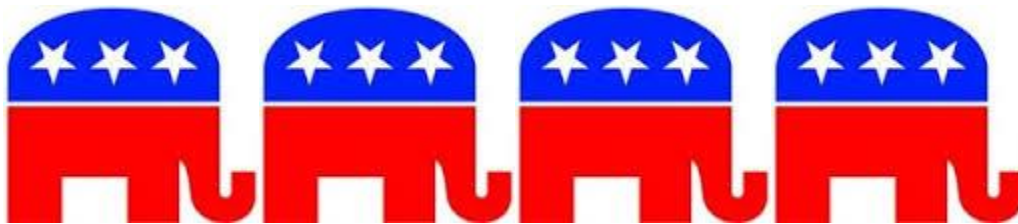
6<sup>th</sup> West Pearland RW, Spring BBQ, Pearland, 6:30 p.m.

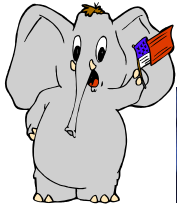
7<sup>th</sup> Clear Creek RW, La Brisa Restaurant, 501 Wesley Dr., League City, 11:00 a.m.

11<sup>th</sup> Tri County RW, Golf Crest Country Club, Pearland, 10:30 a.m.

14<sup>th</sup> Good Friday

16<sup>th</sup> Happy Easter!





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Bay Area Republican Women  
Official Minutes of the General Meeting  
February 22, 2017  
Bay Oaks Country Club

The February meeting was called to order by President Tammy Barrier at 11:34 am. Attending were 23 members, 3 Associate Members, 4 guests, 4 elected officials or their representative, and 2 candidates. Tammy reminded everyone who was planning to eat lunch to pay Treasure Lynn Osina.

Opening Ceremonies: Chaplain, Beverly Ferguson opened with a prayer. President, Tammy Barrier, announced that Chaplain, Beverly Ferguson, was appointed Chaplain to the Harris County Republican Party. Deer Park Councilwomen, Rae Sinor led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America flag and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas flag.

First Vice President Joann McCracken introduced the guest, elected officials or their representative and candidates. Guest in attendance were Rebecca Bush Martha Hansen, Cheryl Lis, and Beverly Braden. Elected officials or their representative in attendance were: Rae Sinor, City of Deer Park Council; Kari Long representing Nick Long, League City Council; Christine Harvey, Martha Hansen. The Candidates or their representative in attendance were: Angelina Gooden, 280th Family District Court and Ray Black, Jr. Harris County Probate Court #2.

Minutes: Corrections to the January 2017 General Meeting minutes were: Jack Mormon is with Precinct 2. No other corrections, Minutes were approved as corrected.

Awards: Chair, Edie Holland reminds us to email our volunteer hours to her.

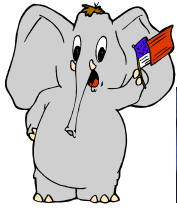
Literacy: Chair, Patti Stockman reported that we received Thank You letters from the 3rd graders at Brookwood Elementary. The letters were passed around for all to see.

Caring for America: Chair, Jean Raffetto announced that we collected \$224.00 for the Bay Area Meals on Wheels. Jean encouraged us to donate more. Lauree Cunningham reminded the group that if you write a check to Bay Area Meals on Wheels, they will mail you a receipt for your taxes.

Campaign Activities: Chair, Debbie Roan, told us about a new group that is forming called "Right to Speak" to counter the negative protest of President Trump. Look for an email from Debbie Roan. March 8, 2017 will be the day for women to support President Trump.

2017 Lincoln Day Dinner: We are sold out as of this date. We have a few overflow tables. If you didn't sign in for Check In, let Debbie know. Be an ambassador for BARW. Help the guests find their table,





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introduce yourself and so on. This is our biggest fund raiser each year. Turn in your auction items to Rae Sinor. If you can help set up, be at Bay Oaks Country Club at 10am to start the set up.

Treasurer's Report: Report given by Lynn Bell Osina, Treasurer. As of January 31, 2017, we had \$21,101.57 in the Bank. January 2017 income: \$675.00 in memberships. Expenses: \$560 to TFRW for dues, \$2486.40 Lincoln Day Dinner Fundraiser expenses, \$75.00 Charitable Contributions, \$430.29 Operating expenses. We spent \$2876.69 more than we brought in for January 2017. No questions were asked. The treasurer's report will be submitted for audit.

Programs: 2nd Vice President Elizabeth Lauzon introduced our speaker, Chris Daniels, Harris County District Clerk.

New Business: The club is discussing chartering a bus to take a group to TFRW's Legislation Day, April 6, 2017. Publicity chair, Jaimy Zouboulikos, is working on getting us set up on E-Vite for our future activities.

#### Announcements:

Our next general meeting will be March 22, 2017, 11am at Bay Oaks Country Club, Houston City Councilman, Bill King will be our speaker. Lunch is \$19.00. Be sure to RSVP for lunch.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:54pm

Respectfully submitted by Lauree Cunningham, 2016 Recording Secretary.



### MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Tammy Barrier

Jean Raffetto

Dennis Paul

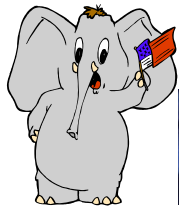
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Renee Magee

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