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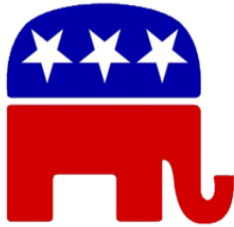


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The Bay Area Republican Women (BARW) typically meets the fourth Wednesday of each month, excluding June and July. The purposes of BARW is to promote an informed electorate through political education, increase the effectiveness of women in the cause 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,

I hope this newsletter finds you and yours safe from the harm that was hurricane Harvey. What the world witnessed happening on television to strangers was happening to our families, friends and neighbors if not to our own homes. Houston and so many other counties in Texas have been affected. It was devastating to witness yet in the darkest of times we also witnessed the best of humanity.

The eyes of the nation were upon Houston and proudly we did not disappoint. For just a brief shining moment we saw people working together. Economic status, skin color - none of these things mattered when faced with this challenge. We had a glimpse of what America should and could be when we all work together to help our fellow citizens. As Texans we simply do not accept defeat. I am so very proud to be a Houstonian, a Texan and American.

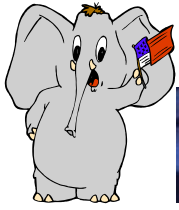
Houston has set the example for the nation and God willing the country has taken notice of the good that arises when Americans working together to benefit the country and her citizens.

God bless Texas

God bless America

Tammy Barrier





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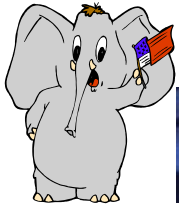
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Speaker Highlight: Bianca Gracia



Bianca Gracia graduated from St. Mary's University with a degree in Public Justice with a minor in Legal Studies, and has spent the past ten years serving as a community organizer and home school mom. Actively involved in her local community, Bianca has served as a Board Member for the Mountains in Motion Ministry, a Eucharist Minister at St. Anne's Catholic Church, a soccer and baseball team mom, a Cub Scout Leader, President of her PTO, and President of her HOA. Through these experiences, Bianca has developed a passion for grassroots involvement and political organizing. It is that passion that led her to co-found the grassroots movement, Latino Trump Coalition, which was created to reach Latino communities and to educate them on why conservative principles were important to ALL Hispanics. Bianca was raised a Democrat, but over 8 years ago realized her principles no longer aligned with the Democrats and became a Republican. Today, she is a Harris County Precinct Chair and serves as the Statewide Hispanic Engagement Director for the Republican Party of Texas. She has two children and is married to an Army Veteran and current Sergeant of Police. She and her family attend St. Anne's Catholic Church in Houston, TX.





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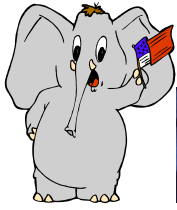
I Said a
Prayer for You

I said a prayer for you
today, and know
God must have heard.
I felt the answer
In my heart, although
He spoke no word.
I didn't ask, for wealth or
Fame -I knew you
wouldn't mind.
I asked Him to send
Treasurers of a far more
lasting kind.
I asked that He'd
Be near you in all things
great and small.
But it was for His
Loving Care I prayed
for most of all.

His Loving Care
Is what I pray when I don't know what else to pray

Beverly Ferguson
BARW Chaplain





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Meals on Wheels

In April your donations to Bay Area Meals on Wheels was \$130. 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

Club Calendar

September

27th Bay Area RW, Bay Oaks Country Club, 14545 Bay Oaks Blvd., Houston, 11 a.m. Social, 11:30 a.m., Business Meeting, Noon Speaker. RSVP to barw.rsvp@gmail.com. Lunch \$19.00

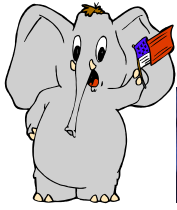
28th Friendswood RW, Friendswood Public Library, 416 S. Friendswood Dr., Friendswood. 11:15 a.m.

October

6th Clear Creek RW, La Brisa Restaurant, 501 Wesley Dr., League City, 11:00 a.m.

9th Columbus Day





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10th Tri County RW, Golfcrest Country Club, 2509 Country Club Dr., Pearland, 10:30 a.m.

16th San Jacinto RW, Pepper's Beef and Seafood, 3604 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena, 6:30 p.m.

18th TFRW 4th Quarter Board of Directors Meeting

19th - 21st TFRW 31st Biennial Convention, Dallas, TX

25th Bay Area RW, Bay Oaks Country Club, 14545 Bay Oaks Blvd., Houston, 11 a.m. Social, 11:30 a.m., Business Meeting, Noon Speaker. RSVP to barw.rsvp@gmail.com. Lunch \$19.00

26th Friendswood RW, Friendswood Chamber of Commerce, 1100 S. Friendswood Dr., Friendswood. 11:15 a.m.

31st Happy Halloween

November

3rd Clear Creek RW, La Brisa Restaurant, 501 Wesley Dr., League City, 11:00 a.m.

5th Daylight Savings Time Ends

7th ELECTION DAY

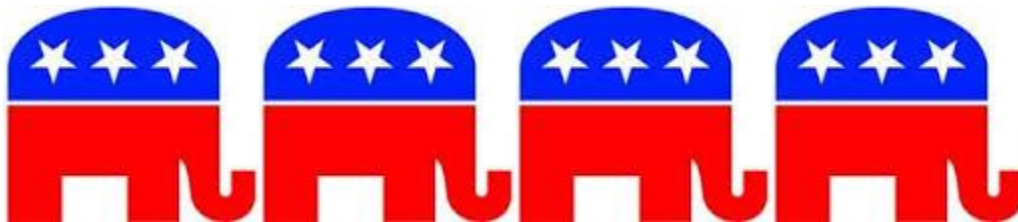
11th Veterans Day

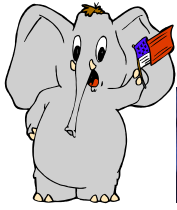
14th Tri County RW, Golfcrest Country Club, 2509 Country Club Dr., Pearland, 10:30 a.m.

23rd Happy Thanksgiving

December

6th BARW Egg Nog Party





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Bay Area Republican Women
Official Minutes of the General Meeting
August 23rd, 2017
Bay Oaks Country Club

The August meeting was called to order by President Tammy Barrier at 11:40 am. Tammy welcomed everyone. And asked if everyone got a blue ticket for a door prize drawing. Everyone had a ticket. Representative Dennis Paul drew the ticket. Lynn Osina was the winner of the door prize.

Chaplain, Beverly Ferguson, opened the meeting with a prayer. Texas Representative, District 129, Dennis Paul led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America flag and Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas flag.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Lynn Bell Osina gave the report. As of July 31, 2017: Cash in the bank is \$32,597. No income, expenses were \$13.00. Year to date income- \$27,764.61. Year to date expenses - \$19220.71. No corrections. The report will be submitted for audit.

Literacy: Chairwomen, Patti Stockman, announced that the board voted to purchase and deliver dictionaries to 3rd graders at 10 area schools and US Constitutions to 5th graders at 10 area schools. Constitution day is Sept. 17, 2017.

Caring for America Chairwomen, Jean Raffetto thanked the club for our continued donations to the Bay Area Meals on Wheels. At our last meeting, May 2017, we collected \$294.00 for the organization. Jean explained that the Meals on Wheels is completely voluntary and that the meal that these folks receive each day is sometimes the only meal and/or human contact that some of them receive. This is a very important service for our seniors. Please consider signing up to be a volunteer or substitute volunteer or assistant to the drivers to help deliver meals.

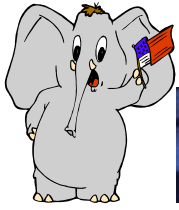
Awards: First Vice President Edie Holland reminds us to email our volunteer hours to her vial email or telephone towards the end of the month. Edie will submit all hours September 30th.

Campaign Activities:

Chairwomen, Debbie Roan, reminded us that campaigns have started for the next election. Watch your emails for updates and information. TFRW Convention is in October. The club will pay for the registration fee for 7 delegates. If you are interested you needed to let Debbie know.

Debbie states that there will be many judges running for office. We need to like their Facebook pages and share their pages to help with the campaign. Only our President and Campaign Activities Director are not allowed to take a stand for a candidate. But, all the rest of our members need to pick a candidate and support them.





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Correspondence Secretary: Glenda was absent, so Debbie Roan filled in. We received a Thank you note from Hannan, who accompanied James O'Keefe, our Lincoln Day Dinner speaker. And we received Thank You notes from Lauree Cunningham, Beverly Ferguson, Tammy Barrier for the sympathy plants or donations made for their deceased loved ones. Joyce Taylor sent a thank you via the newsletter for the club's donation for her husband's death.

Welcome:

1nd Vice President and Membership Chair, Joyce McCracken, resigned due to health issues. Her assistant, Dana McDonald, will step up and finish the year. Dana McDonald welcomed all the guest, elected officials, candidates and / or their representatives to today's meeting. Dana announced the different committees that need volunteers. Please call Dana for more information.

Programs: 2nd Vice President Elizabeth Lauzon introduced our speaker, Texas State Representative, District 129, Dennis Paul.

Old Business: The club is working on a new website. Publicity Chair, Jaimy Zouboulikos, is working on this.

Announcements:

The nominating committee has started its search for a slate of officers for the 2018 year. Tanya Robertson announced that office space has been donated for a Harris County Republican office in Baytown. Victor Sanchez is one woman away from a Baytown Club. The Friendswood office is looking for a field director.

Our next general meeting is September 27, 2017

No further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Lauree Cunningham, 2017 Recording Secretary.



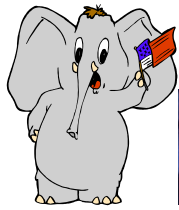
OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Diane Kerkhove

Lynn Osina

Carolyn Smith





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