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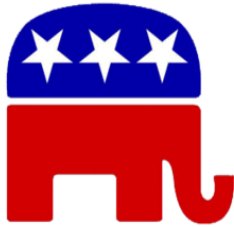


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The Bay Area Republican Women (BARW) typically meets the fourth Wednesday of each month, excluding June and July. The purposes of BARW is to promote an informed electorate through political education, increase the effectiveness of women in the cause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

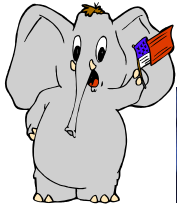
We made it through the Primary Elections! Congratulations to all the candidates who won their elections and to those who made it into the runoffs! I also wish to thank all Republican candidates who ran for office. Special thanks go out to BARW members who were election workers, and those who worked on campaigns. Your efforts help us have strong Republican candidates for the General Election in November and keep Harris County working with good government.

We have the Runoff Election in May and the General Elections in November. Let's put our efforts behind the best candidates for the runoffs and then focus on building the party and supporting our Republican candidates in November. Be happy warriors! Instead of insulting Democrat ideas, let's talk about how limited government and fiscal conservatism make Harris County work. Our next speaker, Harris County Commissioner Jack Morman, is a wonderful example of that. Harris County Precinct 2 went from being a bloated big spending bureaucracy under Democrat Sylvia Garcia, to becoming the model of efficiency that we have today with Jack Morman! Spread the good news! Republican ideas work!

What's next? I hope many of you participated in your Precinct Conventions and will be delegates at the Senatorial District Convention on Saturday, March 24, and then attend the State Convention in San Antonio from June 11 through June 16. Take part in the shaping of our party during the convention process, and Keep Harris County RED.

Elizabeth Lauzon
President, Bay Area Republican Women
HCRP Precinct Chair, Pct. 306





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Speaker Highlight-Jack Morman

The next regular monthly meeting of BARW will be on **Wednesday, March 28th**, at [BAY OAKS COUNTRY CLUB, 14545 Bay Oaks Blvd.](#) This month's guest speaker will be **Harris County Pct. 2 Commissioner Jack Morman!**

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 if you intend to each lunch.



Jack Morman was sworn in as Harris County Precinct Two Commissioner on January 1, 2011, after winning a historic election. He was re-elected in 2014 to serve a second 4-year term.

A Deer Park native, Commissioner Morman represents a million residents in East and Northeast Harris County. He previously served as the Harris County representative on the H-GAC Board of Directors.

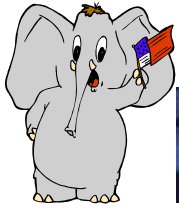
Commissioner Morman leads Precinct Two's operations which include 380 employees operating 50 parks, 17 community centers, over 1,300 miles of county roads, the Lynchburg Ferry and Washburn Tunnel.

Commissioner Morman's top priority is promoting economic growth in East Harris County by improving the infrastructure in Precinct 2 and developing a business friendly environment throughout county government.

He is a graduate of Baylor University and Baylor University Law School and had a private law practice before winning the Commissioner's race in November 2010.

Commissioner Morman and his wife, Andi, are high school sweethearts and Deer Park natives. They have two children, daughter Jordan and son Trey.





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Meals on Wheels

Thank you for your donations to Bay Area Meals on Wheels. You gave \$168 in February. You may write a check to them and they will send you a receipt which you can use with your income tax return.

Their clients receive a hot meal five days a week which costs \$3.50. Some clients also receive a light lunch as well for an additional \$1.50. The meals cost a little more on holidays because the company who prepares the food does not do so on holidays. The holiday meals are purchased from Luby's.

Bay Area Meals on Wheels provides a much needed service in the CCISD school district. It is a grand way for BARW to support our community. Thanks so much.

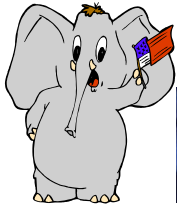
**Jean Raffetto
Caring For America Chair**



Campaign Activities

Now that the March 6th Primary is over, we are off to the Runoff! If your candidate won with over 50% of the vote, Congratulations! If your candidate made the Run-Off, Congratulations to you too! If your candidate lost, take a week to be sad and then get back in the game! We have Candidates that still need your help. AND, while all eyes are focused on the Run-Off there is another very important election coming up that is "flying" below the radar. It is the School Board of Trustees Election. This election actually takes place before the Run-Off!





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For information on these candidates:

http://www.ccisd.net/explore_ccisd/board_of_trustees/board_election_information/candidate_filings/

Important Dates for Local Political & School Board Elections:

- April 23rd : First Day of Early Voting
- April 24th : Last Day to Apply for a Ballot by Mail (received, not postmarked)
- May 1st : Last Day to Early Vote
- May 5th : Uniform Election Day (School Board & Local Political/Subdivisions)

Important Dates for the Run-Off Election:

- April 23rd: Last Day to Register to vote
- May 11th: Last Day to Apply for a Ballot by Mail (received, not postmarked)
- May 14th : First Day of Early Voting
- May 18th: Last Day to Early Vote
- May 22nd: Primary Run-Off Election Day

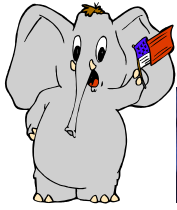
Don't forget to keep track of your volunteer hours! Information as to what counts as volunteer hours can be found in this newsletter.

Working to Keep Texas Red!!

Debbie Guitian Roan

BARW Campaign Activities Chair





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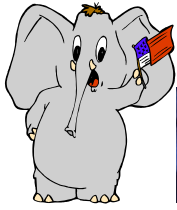
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GENERAL POLICY FOR COUNTING CAMPAIGN HOURS

- 1. ONLY count hours pertaining to non-paid political activities. Hours as Election Judge, Clerk Poll Watcher count ONLY if pay is turned over to a county party, your local Federated Republican Women's Club, a candidate or the TFRW PAC.**
- 2. Include work done at home, such as mailings; preparing campaign posters or signs; telephoning –solicited by a candidate/campaign; baking for a campaign, but not for general club meetings.**
- 3. Count hours spent working at a special event or organizing the event. BUT NOT if you attend as a guest or if you are compensated for the event.**
- 4. Count hours spent in session at Federation Board of Directors meetings and Federation Conventions and trainings – also time spent in preparation of convention if on Committee. You may include travel time.**
- 5. Count hours spent in session at precinct, county/district or state party conventions. You may include travel time. NOTE: Please remember to attend your precinct convention!**
- 6. You may count hours spent as members of county or state party committees – during scheduled meeting times and any preparation work. You may include travel.**
- 7. Count political work done at club meetings, i.e., working the sign-in or membership table, driving a candidate, working on mailings, getting candidate petitions signed, etc. DO NOT count hours in regular meetings.**
- 8. Volunteer hours done at county, state or Federation Headquarters may be counted. BUT NOT for paid staff positions.**
- 9. All hours volunteered at campaigns and at headquarters include portal to portal travel. BUT NOT stops for personal errands.**
- 10. Count nonpartisan hours for known Republican candidates in city or school board elections. "Known Republican" is someone who voted in the most recent GOP primary election.**
- 11. Women candidates who are members of a club may count their campaigning as volunteer hours—as long as no salary is accepted.**





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12. Male associate members may count volunteer hours and must follow the same rules which apply to regular members.

13. A female associate member's hours are only counted in her primary club.

NOTE: Per the TFRW Bylaws, Article III, Sections 1 & 2 – Club Presidents and Campaign Activities Chairs are not permitted to endorse or work in GOP primary or nonpartisan elections when there is more than one Republican in the race. Clubs may not endorse in the name of the club. Individual members may work for the Republican of their choice.

Club Calendar

March

17th

Happy St. Patrick's Day

19th

San Jacinto RW, Peppers Beef and Seafood, 3604 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena. 6:30 p.m.

20th

First Day of Spring

22nd

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

25th

Palm Sunday

28th

Bay Area RW, Bay Oaks Country Club, 14545 Bay Oaks Blvd., Houston, 11:00 a.m. Social, 11:30 a.m. Business Meeting, 11:30 a.m., 12 Noon Speaker. RSVP to barw.rsvp@gmail.com

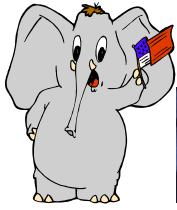
30th

Good Friday

30th

Passover Begins





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April

1st

Easter Sunday

6th

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

10th

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

16th

San Jacinto RW, Peppers Beef and Seafood, 3604 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena. 6:30 p.m.

17th

Tax Day

22nd

Earth Day

23rd

Last Day to register to Vote in the Run Off

23rd

First Day of Early Voting for the Uniform Election/School Board/Local Political

24th

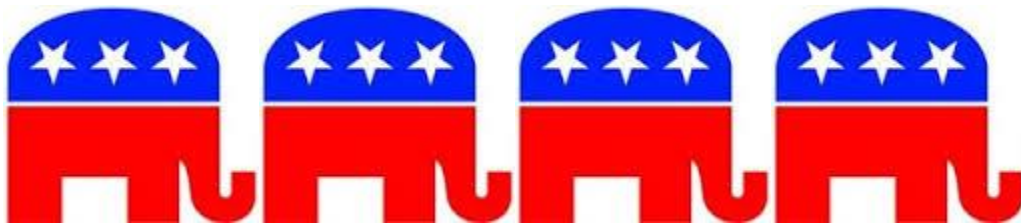
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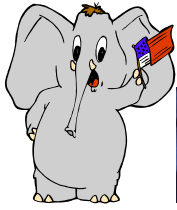
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Bay Area RW, Bay Oaks Country Club, 14545 Bay Oaks Blvd., Houston, 11:00 a.m. Social, 11:30 a.m. Business Meeting, 11:30 a.m., 12 Noon Speaker. RSVP to barw.rsvp@gmail.com

26th

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





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March 2018 Guest Speaker

Harris County Precinct Two
Commissioner Jack Morman



Hosted by The Bay Area Republican Women

Wednesday, March 28, 2018

Bay Oaks Country Club

14545 Bay Oaks Blvd. Houston, TX 77059

Social Begins: 11:00 AM

Meeting Begins: 11:30 AM

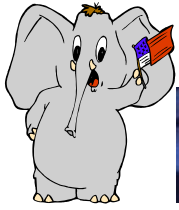
Cost: \$19.00 Payable at the Door

BARW Members and Guests

Members and guests, as always please RSVP by emailing

barw.rsvp@gmail.com if you plan to attend.





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Official Minutes of the General Meeting

February 28, 2018

Bay Oaks Country Club

Elizabeth Lauzon, President of BARW, called the meeting to order at 11:24 AM and welcomed all to the February 28th BARW meeting. Jackie King led us in the pledge to the United States flag and Debbie Roan led us in the pledge to the Texas State flag. Elizabeth then delivered the invocation.

Elected officials present were Jackie King representing Senator Larry Taylor and Mayor Jon Keeney, Mayor of Taylor Lake Village.

Candidates present were Lee Shuchart for Fred Shuchart and Renee Magee.

Guests present were Martha Hansen and Sammie O'Donohoe who became new members, Tom Walsh, Ann Nix, Peter Lauzon, and Lavonne Ellison.

Beverly Ferguson, 2nd VP, announced that our April speaker will be Texas' First Lady, Mrs. Cecilia Abbott.

Carolyn Hopkins, Corresponding Secretary, reported that Operation Uplink send a thank you note to the club.

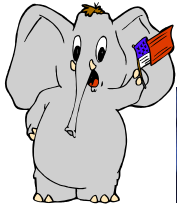
Jean Raffetto, Caring for America Chair, stated that the club donated \$354.00 for Meals on Wheels last month and reported that the club had donated over \$20,000 to the organization since the 1990's.

Debbie Roan, Campaign Chair, gave dates for the upcoming election in March. She talked about the success of the Lincoln Day Dinner and encouraged the members take leadership positions for next year's LLD. Debbie explained the order for the conventions; precinct, SD11, and state. She encouraged members to participate in as many as possible.

Lynn Osina, Treasurer -. Lynne stated that we have a \$19,538.00 balance in the bank which does not include the Lincoln Day Dinner's figures. Due to some technical problems, this report will be held over until March for presentation to the club.

Elizabeth gave a report for Edie Holland, Awards / Volunteer Hours chair. Edie wanted the club to be reminded to turn in volunteer hours and a partial list of what can be used for these hours was given.





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Beverly Ferguson introduced our speaker the Honorable Christi Craddick, Railroad Commissioner. She gave a very informative talk on the oil and gas reserves we have in this state and how they benefit so many areas of our state's financial operations. Commissioner Craddick also discussed the role of women in government. Beverly informed Commissioner Craddick that a calling card for a serviceman overseas will be donated in her name to Operation Uplink.

Elizabeth informed the club that we have bought a table for 10 for the Lincoln-Reagan Dinner and members will go for free. She asked that anyone interested contact her. She also gave a list of meetings and events in the month of March which can be found on our website. There is to be a webinar on March 2 with Toni Anne Dashiell at 9:30 AM.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Elguezabal - Recording Secretary



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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Elizabeth Geehan-4

Gloria Gibson-24

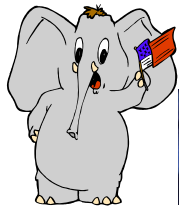
Holly Magee-30

Nancy Olson-5

Angelia Thomas-15

Sandy Vail-18





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