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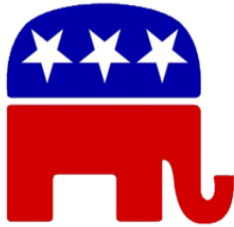


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The Bay Area Republican Women (BARW) typically meets the fourth Wednesday of each month, excluding June and July. The purposes of BARW is to promote an informed electorate through political education, increase the effectiveness of women in the cause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

Greetings BARW Members,

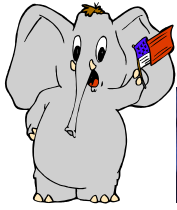
Our Lincoln Day Dinner is less than a week away! Our Keynote Speaker is former White House Counsel, Don McGahn. He's the gentleman that sat behind Justice Kavanaugh during the confirmation hearing giving him counsel. I can't wait to hear what he has to say! I included the picture to jog your memory!



This is our club's biggest fundraiser, so I hope you all are participating in one way or another. If you still have auction items to turn in, please get them to Gayle Beaty, 4810 Pilgrim Harbor Dr., Friendswood 77546. You can reach her by cell 832-434-3840, or email: gaylebeaty@aol.com. Please look for emails from LLD Chair Debbie Roan for more volunteering opportunities.

In the CCISD May 4 election, Republican Scott Bowen is running for At-large Position B. Scott is a former CCISD student who recognizes its greatness and potential. Now, as a homeowner living in the district, he's starting to see the challenges we face as we enter the next decade: School safety. Escalating taxes. Rapid growth. High-stakes testing. He is running to be the person you want on a board that will navigate those issues and many others.





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As a chemical engineer, he knows how to analyze complex information and ask tough questions. As an MBA, he's learned how to evaluate financial structure, eliminate unnecessary costs, and plan for the long term, and he's unafraid to disagree and he refuses to prioritize consensus over honest debate and difficult votes, especially when such important issues are at stake.

Please join his campaign to make Clear Creek ISD even greater, for our children and for our community, as we move into the bright future that is ahead. Look on his Facebook page in the coming weeks, as he communicates his views on issues, share news about the race, and reaches out to volunteers.

Always moving forward,

Elizabeth Lauzon, President

28th Annual BARW Lincoln Day Dinner

We are 4 days away from our **28th Annual Lincoln Day Dinner**. The good news is there are still seats available. The bad news is it is too late to mail a check so please go to www.barw.org, go to the Events Tab on our website and make an on line reservation. Please get your reservations in ASAP!

Also, please get your **Auction Items** to Gayle Beaty as soon as possible. gaylebeaty@aol.com; M# 832-434-3840;

4810 Pilgrim Harbor Dr., Friendswood 77546.

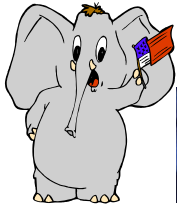
Be sure to bring the **Auction Item form** (on the next page) to Gayle with your item. To date we have about 22 items. We depend on the Auction to raise most of our money and it is an important part of our event. Attendees really enjoy some competitive bidding!! So, let's get 'er done and get those items to Gayle.

For more information: www.barw.org.

Working to keep Texas Red!

Best regards,
Debbie Roan
BARW LDD Chair





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**Print this page for your convenience!
One form needs to be filled out for each item
donated.**

BARW Silent Auction Information Sheet

Contributor _____

Donor Address _____

_____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____

Occupation _____

Business Name _____

Work Phone Number _____

Item Donated _____

Retail Value of donated item _____

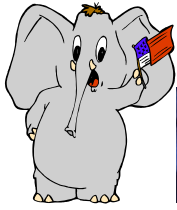
Contributor's signature

Wishes to have name displayed with item - Yes _____ No _____

Acknowledgment _____ Date _____

Comments _____





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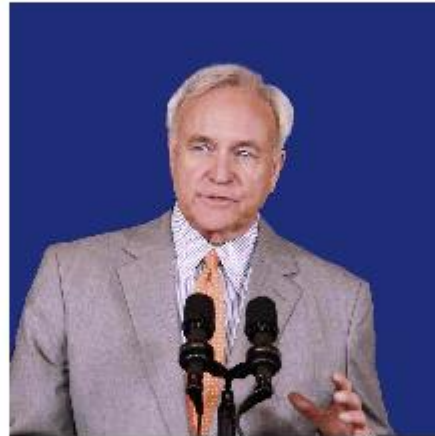


Bay Area
REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Bill King

March 2019 Guest Speaker

Candidate for Mayor of Houston



Hosted by The Bay Area Republican Women

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Bay Oaks Country Club

14545 Bay Oaks Blvd. Houston, TX 77059

Social Begins: 11:00 AM

Meeting Begins: 11:30 AM

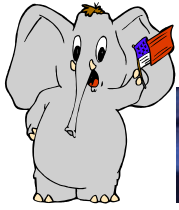
Lunch Costs \$19.00 Payable at the Door

BARW Members and Guests

Members and guests *MUST RSVP* by emailing

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





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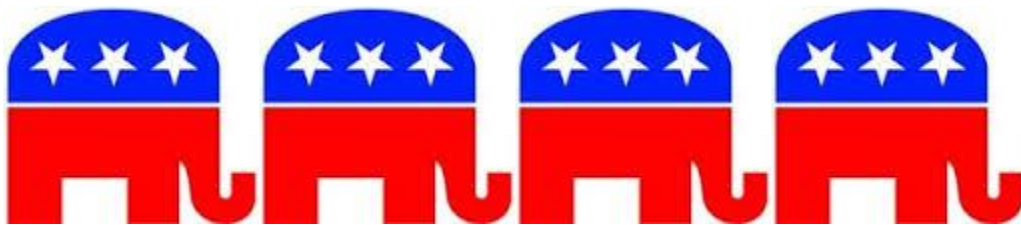
Meals on Wheels

Bay Area Republican Women donated \$189 for Bay Area Meals on Wheels in January. There is such a need in our area. I am hoping we can increase our monthly donations to \$200 +.

There is a wonderful group of people who donate their time to volunteering for the organization. If you are interested in becoming a driver or a helper in packing up the lunches, being a substitute driver or helper, please contact Bay Area Meals at Bay Area Meals on Wheels@gmail.com. If you, your family or a friend has a need to receive the meals, please call 281-326-3336.

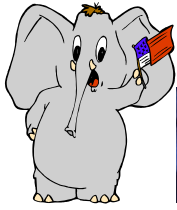
It is a wonderful organization run entirely by volunteers. Let's do our part in supporting it.

Jean Raffetto, Parliamentarian
Caring for America



The 86th session of the Texas Legislature has started. Two links to keep track of Committee meetings and bills:
www.capital.texas.gov or www.legiscan.com





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From TFRW VP Legislation – [Julie Faubel](#)

Legislative Day Headliners Confirmed!

Texas House Speaker Dennis Bonnen

To Join

RNC Chairman Ronna Romney McDaniel

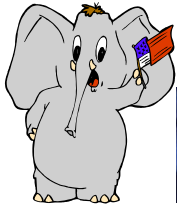


The 86th Texas Legislature is in session – and it is time to register for this year's Legislative Day! **TFRW's Legislative Day** will be held in Austin on **Thursday, April 25th** with events at the Sheraton at the Capitol. Back by popular demand, **Belles 'N Boots** will kick off the happenings on **Wednesday, April 24th** at Scholz Garten in downtown Austin.

Plan to join TFRW members from across our great state as we gather in Austin for an exciting day of events at the State Capitol and the Sheraton Hotel. Be sure to wear red and join us in both the House and Senate Chambers for recognition and resolutions on the great work TFRW members have accomplished. A Texas-sized luncheon will follow at the Sheraton Hotel and will feature remarks from our dedicated elected officials. The afternoon will feature engaging workshops on subjects including Human Trafficking, Women Running and Winning, and Legislative Priorities in Texas.

The full schedule for Legislative Day will be released as speakers are confirmed. Don't wait, register by Monday, April 1st before prices go up! Don't forget to wear your **RED!** We are looking forward to seeing you in Austin in April! Visit the TFRW website to learn more and register: <https://www.tfrw.org/events/legislative-day-2019/>.





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BARW Minutes of General Meeting of February 20, 2019

President Elizabeth Lauzon called the meeting to order at 11:45 A.M. Chaplain Bianca Gracia gave the prayer invocation. Will Carter led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America followed by Tonya Robertson leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas flag.

President Lauzon welcomed the dignitaries and guests to the meeting.

There were no additions or corrections of the minutes of the January meeting that were printed in the Newsletter, so they were approved as presented in the Newsletter.

Treasurer Oksana McCord presented the financial report. There were no corrections or additions to the report. It will be filed with the minutes.

Campaign Activities/Lincoln Day Dinner Chairman Deborah Guitian Roan reminded us that the CCISD board elections will be held in May and the election for the Mayor of Houston will be held in November. Republicans Tony Buzbee and Bill King are running against incumbent Sylvester Turner.

Chairman Roan is Co-Chairman of the TFRW convention to be held at the Moody Hotel in Galveston in October.

Help is needed for the Lincoln Day Dinner check-in on March 15. A clipboard was passed for people to sign up. Help is also needed when the Silent Auction closes. Former White House Counsel Don McGahn will be the speaker.

Chairman Roan encouraged members to donate items for the Silent auction and Gayle Beaty has graciously agreed to gather and put together the items.

Caring for America Chairman Jean Raffetto reported that BARW donated \$2,178.00 in 2018 and for the period 1994 through 2018, we have donated \$22,728.15 to Bay Area Meals on Wheels. We need to pat ourselves on the back for our continued commitment to them for which they are extremely grateful.

Awards Chairman Edie Holland encouraged members to submit their volunteer hours for the last quarter.

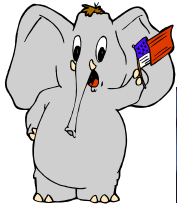
Vice President Beverly Ferguson-Cooper introduced our guest speaker Michael Quinn Sullivan, CEO of Empower Texas, a non-profit organization. Mr. Sullivan was a dynamic speaker who reminded us that there are only 89 days left in this Legislative Session and 615 days to the mid-term election. Six congressional seats in Texas are targeted by the democrats.

President Lauzon announced upcoming meetings of other Republican Women's groups.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.

Jean Raffetto for Chris Elguezabal, Recording Secretary





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BARW Volunteer Hours

The TFRW and the NFRW Conventions will be coming in a few months. Clubs throughout the state will soon be asked to submit their total volunteer hours for the period beginning January 1, 2018. Many of our members have not submitted any volunteer hours although they have participated in Republican activities, working phone banks, working for candidates and various club events. At the NFRW Convention, TFRW will be competing against all the other State Republican Women's clubs to see which State Republican Women's club submitted the most volunteer hours. The hours BARW submits will count toward TFRW's total that it submits to NFRW. And, the number of volunteer hours that BARW submits to TFRW will compete against all the other TFRW clubs throughout the state. Let us all think back to last year to the present and estimate your volunteer hours. It does not matter if it is one hour or one hundred hours, it all adds up. If you need to know if you have submitted any hours, or if you need to know what counts toward volunteer hours, just send me an email at edie-holland@comcast.net. Let us make TFRW and BARW proud.

Eddie Holland



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Elizabeth "Betty" Geehan – 4

Nancy Olson – 5

Angelica Thomas – 15

Sandy Vail – 18

Gloria Gibson – 24

Dennis Paul – 29

Paul Simpson – 31

Sheree Frede – 8

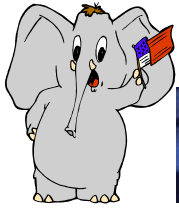
Marina Trevino – 16

Martha Fierro – 22

Barbara Kolodgie – 25

Holly Magee – 30





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6th – Ash Wednesday

10th – Daylight Savings Time Begins

15th – BARW Annual Lincoln Day Dinner, Keynote speaker: Don McGahn, former White House Counsel to President Trump.

17th – Happy St. Patrick's Day

20th – First Day of Spring

27th – Bay Area RW, Bay Oaks Country Club, 14545 Bay Oaks Blvd., Houston, 11:00 a.m. Social, 11:30 a.m. Business Meeting, 12 noon – Speaker. RSVP to barw.rsvp@gmail.com

April

14th – Palm Sunday

15th – Tax Day

19th – Good Friday

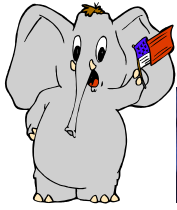
19th – Passover Begins at Sundown

21st – Easter Sunday

22nd – Earth Day

24th – Bay Area RW, Bay Oaks Country Club, 14545 Bay Oaks Blvd., Houston, 11:00 a.m. Social, 11:30 a.m. Business Meeting, 12 noon – Speaker. RSVP to barw.rsvp@gmail.com





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