

**BARW**



# NEWSLETTER



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## President's Voice

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**WE MADE IT THROUGH!!!!**

Texas has been through it. We have gotten through an Artic Freeze, no electricity, no water, busted pipes and not to mention trying to get folks vaccinated. Texans once again have come together to help ONE ANOTHER.

The Texas Legislation is battling for many bills from voter integrity to paying higher wages for our teachers. Keep your eyes on what's happening at the Texas Legislature. It runs from January 12, 2021 to May 31, 2021. Be informed about how legislators are wanting to govern our state. Remember you have a voice. Let your representatives know where you stand.

Harris County Republican Party Chair, Cindy Siegel, and her team have hit the ground running. The HCRP Lincoln Reagan Dinner has SOLD OUT! Republicans are anxious to hear what former US Congressman Trey Gowdy and Governor Kristi Noem will share at the Lincoln Reagan Dinner. If you cannot be there in person, check to see if \$50 virtual tickets are still available.

Please join us for our General Breakfast Meeting on Tuesday, March 23, 2021. Breakfast will be served at 7:30 a.m. Our meeting starts at 8:00 am. Social distancing is

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## President's Voice Continued

observed. We ask that you wear masks when sitting at the tables for the safety of yourself and others. BARW would like to share photos with our membership on our social media. If you are willing to share, please send any digital photos of our events to our Social Media Committee Chairman at [willcarter60@gmail.com](mailto:willcarter60@gmail.com). We appreciate the men that support Bay Area Republican Women. Clive Taylor is a real trooper when it comes to keeping information on our website. Will Carter handles our Facebook and zoom meetings. A big welcome to our new Newsletter Editor, Kimble Steadman, who attends the University of Houston. Last but not least, welcome to all of our new members who have joined us through the pandemic. "Remember, when two people always agree, one of you is not needed. We can choose to disagree without being disagreeable".

**Beverly Ferguson Cooper, M.Ed.**  
***BARW, President***  
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## A Word From Membership

Susan C. Franklin *Bay Area Republican Women Membership Chair:*

We can keep Texas **Red** and take back our U.S. Congress by: listening to informed speakers, working together for our common goals, joining Republic action groups, engaging other concerned Republicans, and learning from history!

Please renew your Bay Area Republican Women 2021 membership – All Republicans are welcome and encouraged to join our dynamic and active club.



Please See Membership Form on  
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## Nuts N Bolts Training



BARW was well represented at the Nuts N Bolts workshop presented by the Greater Houston Council of Federated Republican Women. Several members of the board were able to attend including our BARW President, Beverly Ferguson-Cooper, who was able to take time off to attend. Our BARW President was recognized and honored together with the Presidents of the other clubs in the region. The speakers of the various sessions were very informative and knowledgeable of the particular topic they presented. The past president of NFRW and TFRW, Jody Rushton, was the keynote speaker. Also, the President of TFRW, Glynis Chester, addressed the attendees.

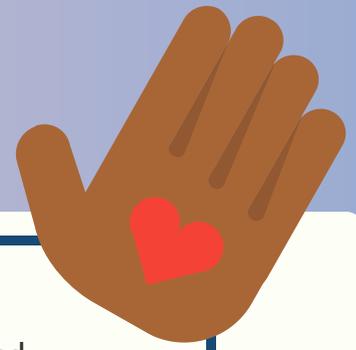
Thank you to our members who were able to attend.

Edie Holland,  
BARW Delegate to Greater Houston Council





## Interested in Volunteering for BARW?



For all those interested in being a Volunteer Deputy Voter Registrar, all training is online this year. Go to the link below and sign up for a convenient time that works for you.

<https://www.hctax.net/voter/deputy>. The Zoom training takes about an hour and there is no test at the end.

Important dates for the upcoming School Board and Small City Elections:

April 1st	Last day to register to vote for the May elections
April 19th	Early voting begins
April 20th	Last day to get a Ballot by Mail
April 27th	Last day of early voting
May 1st	Election Day (Uniform Election/School Board)

Also, returning members must rejoin BARW by March 1st in order to be eligible to attend the TFRW Convention (Oct. 12th – 16th) as a delegate. New members may join up until August 13th to be eligible to attend.

Debbie Guitian Roan,

*BARW Campaign Activities Chair*



# Important Dates

April:

- 1st Baytown RW, 888 Chinese Restaurant, 4567 Garth Rd., Ste. 400, Baytown. 5:30pm
- 1st West Pearland RW, Big Horn BBQ, 2300 Smith Ranch Rd., Pearland, 6:30pm
- 1st San Jacinto RW, Peppers Beef and Seafood, 3604 Fairmont Pkwy., Pasadena. 6:30 pm
- 2nd Clear Creek RW, La Brisa Restaurant, 501 Wesley Dr., League City, 11:00 a.m.
- 4th Happy Easter
- 13th Tri County RW, Golfcrest Country Club, 2509 Country Club Dr., Pearland, 11am
- 19th Texas Gulf Coast RW, LaEscondida Mexican Grill, 400 W. Parkwood Ave., Friendswood, 6:30pm
- 21st Galveston RW, Hilton Galveston Island Resort, 5400 Seawall Blvd., Galveston, 11:30am
- 27th Bay Area RW, Bay Oaks Country Club, 14545 Bay Oaks Blvd., Houston, 7:30am Social, 8 a.m. Speaker,  
RSVP to [barw.rsvp@gmail.com](mailto:barw.rsvp@gmail.com) for breakfast

# BARW's April Meeting

April 2021 BARW Meeting



Our Guest Speaker for April 27, 2021 is Steve Munisteri

**Hosted by the Bay Area Republican Women**

**Tuesday, April 27, 2021**

**Bay Oaks Country Club**

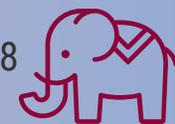
**14545 Bay Oaks Blvd.**

**Houston, TX, 77059**

**Social Begins: 7:30 a.m.**

**Meeting begins: 8:00 a.m.**

**Breakfast costs \$20.00 payable at the door**



## About Our April Speaker



Steve Munisteri: A businessman and a former attorney from Houston, Texas, who in 2017 was appointed to the White House staff as deputy assistant to U.S. President Donald Trump and principal deputy director of the Office of Public Liaison. On June 13, 2010, Munisteri was elected chairman of the Republican Party of Texas at the state convention held in Dallas. He unseated the incumbent Cathie Adams who had held the position for only eight months. Munisteri became the first challenger in modern Texas Republican history to defeat a sitting incumbent for the position of state chairman. He left the chairmanship in 2015 to join the Rand Paul presidential primary campaign. Munisteri was active in politics early in his teenage years, first working as a volunteer for the campaigns of Texas Republicans Henry C. Grover and John Tower in 1972. He formed a conservative club at Memorial High School. In 1976, Munisteri was elected state vice chairman for Texas Young Americans for Freedom, was an active volunteer for Ronald Reagan, and attended the 1976 Republican National Convention. From 1977 to 1980, he served as state chairman of the YAF and was also elected to YAF's national board of directors. Under Munisteri's chairmanship, YAF began the practice of issuing legislative rankings for members of the Texas House of Representatives, a number of whom had more liberal voting records than their constituents had believed. Steve is currently serving as the Senior Advisor to Senator John Cornyn's campaign and chief liaison to the RPT and the 2020 Victory effort. 5 Greater Houston Council FRW Board News Bite

# Weekly Storm



**Zoom ID:**  
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(WEE KLY STRM)  
**Passcode:**  
WEEKLYSTRM



**Optional Q&A to follow**  
**Contact:**  
Bill Ely 832-919-4999  
HCRP Training & Development Chair

**WEEKLY STORM TOPIC: March 9, 2021:**

- **Alex Hargrave - Pct Chair Handbook #2**
- **HCRP – New Headquarters Location**

**FUTURE WEEKLY STORM TOPIC:**

- Mar 16: Rachel Malone - Gun Owners of America
- Mar 23: Jill Glover - SREC Legislation
- Mar 30: Tara Beulah - Utilizing Auxiliaries

The Weekly Storm is a new program of the Harris County Republican Party which provides training to Precinct Chairs and their volunteers by Zoom conference call. Each Storm program covers different topics with tips to help Precinct Chairs build and train their precinct teams. There is a plethora of knowledge out there to share with HCRP members! If you would like to join the Zoom call, log in on Tuesdays, at 7:00pm. Each weekly segment is no more than 15 minutes long, followed by an optional Q & A session. If you are interested in the Weekly Storm, becoming a Precinct Chair, or just interested in learning more about helping the Republican Party, contact Elizabeth Lauzon, email: [gop306pct@gmail.com](mailto:gop306pct@gmail.com).

## Future Weekly Storm Topics:

- Tuesday, March 23: Jill Glover - SREC Legislation
- Tuesday, March 30: Tara Beulah – Utilizing Auxiliaries

## HCRP Update

You may have noticed there is an exciting energy buzzing around the Harris County Republican Party and I can't wait to share with you some new updates!

Last week we began the process of moving into a new office that will serve as our headquarters. I think you will be pleased with the location and the benefits this new space provides. I want to extend a big thank you to the volunteers that have helped us with the move. Once we are all moved in, I can't wait to invite you to come by!

Additionally, the enthusiasm around our upcoming Lincoln-Reagan Dinner on April 8 is through the roof! We officially announced ticket sales on March 15 and the individual tickets SOLD OUT within 6 hours! We appreciate everyone's support and look forward to a great night with an outstanding lineup of speakers, including keynote speakers Governor Kristi Noem and former U.S. Congressman Trey Gowdy, as well as U.S. Congressman Dan Crenshaw, Governor Greg Abbott, and U.S. Senator Ted Cruz. There is still time to purchase a virtual ticket or you may add your name to the waiting list. Visit our website for more information.

And lastly, we have received hundreds of responses to the volunteer survey in the last few months and many more are coming in daily. Right now we are building our grassroots army and I encourage you to sign up to volunteer if you haven't already! There are many ways to get involved!

I look forward to seeing you on April 8 if not sooner!

Warm regards,

Cindy Siegel  
Chairman  
Harris County Republican Party

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HCRP'S  
Website at



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## An Educator's Plea

Representative James Talarico (D-Round Rock), a Texas lawmaker, has filed HB3580, which will set a minimum teacher salary of \$70,000.00. He states that, "No teacher should have to work two jobs to keep the lights on." He is a former teacher and stated that during the Pandemic, teachers have had to shoulder incredible stress. As a teacher of 30 years, who has met the maximum salary I can make, which in the District I work for is \$69,803, I am delighted at the prospect of the newcomers enjoying a salary that will potentially recruit and keep the best educators. At the same time, however, I feel as though my generation has continually suffered at the hands of lawmakers and districts who choose to frontload beginning salaries and leave those of us who have put in decades of work in the dust. The current beginning salary in my District is \$56,125.00. There is only a difference of \$13,678 between a first year teacher and the highest end salary for a classroom teacher. This is incredibly inequitable. In addition, if there is a salary increase, it is at the midpoint, which is less than my salary, but far more than a beginning teacher's, yet we receive the same raise. Texas Teacher Insurance is another problem. My deductible is so high, that I often pay the cash price for doctor's visits because it ends up being less expensive that way. My fellow veteran teachers and I would greatly appreciate you contacting your Representatives in this matter to be certain that those of us who have given the most to our students are equally compensated in the new plan.

Thank you for your consideration,

Cherie Steadman

Lifetime Educator and Fellow Republican Woman



# Helpful Links



<https://www.readyharris.org/>

[www.harriscountygop.org](http://www.harriscountygop.org)

[www.nfrw.org](http://www.nfrw.org)

[www.tfrw.org](http://www.tfrw.org)

[www.barw.org](http://www.barw.org)



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