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President's Voice

Hello BARW,

I hope this message finds you well and staying cool in this 100-degree heat. While the temps say it's still summer, we are quickly approaching the last quarter of 2023, which signals Fall and some important club business that needs to be attended to and important upcoming Houston Elections.

First our club business: At our August meeting we will vote on a Nominating Committee. Their job will be to select candidates to fill the positions for your 2024 BARW Executive Board. The Committee will present the slate of candidates at our September meeting, and we, the club members, will vote on the slate at the October Meeting. Please be open to taking one of these positions if called upon. (President, 1st VP Programs, 2nd VP Membership, Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer) Even better, if you would like to serve, please let a current board member or a member

of the Nominating Committee know. The success of any organization lies with its members and political organizations are no different.

Also, fast approaching is our 30th Annual Lincoln Day Dinner on September 15th. The Committee has been hard at work to make this the best one yet and everyone's participation is critical to the success of this event. Please consider donating an auction item and of course attending and bringing several of your friends. Look for more information on this event tucked into this Newsletter.

Next is the TFRW Convention in Ft. Worth, Oct. $12^{th} - 14^{th}$. Early registration has ended but we still have delegate spots if you would like to attend. (see <u>www.tfrw.org</u> or contact me)

November 7th is the Uniform Election Day for the City of Houston. Early Voting will be October 23rd through Nov. 3rd. We will be voting for the Mayor, City Council, Comptroller etc. I can't stress enough how important this election will be to those who live inside the Houston city limits. Every Republican must turn out and make their voice heard. I know it seems like a long way off, but I don't want it to sneak up on anyone. Mark your calendars now. We don't want to become Chicago! More information will be shared when it becomes available.

Lastly, on the National level there is no good news. The Biden administration exemplifies the adage that Elections have consequences, but not even those of us who live and breathe this stuff could have foreseen this debacle. Sadly, we are not even sure who is running the country. Prayer is the order of the day. One good thing is that we live in Texas and that mitigates some of Biden's disastrous policies.

Stay well, stay positive, stay faithful to our core beliefs and be a Truthteller!



Debbie Roan, BARW President

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Highlights from May 23, 2023

The May 23, 2023 BARW breakfast meeting was honored with our guest speaker, <u>Dr. Karen Engle</u>. Dr. Engle was officially named to the Superintendent of Schools for the Clear Creek Independent School District in December 2022.



She began her remarks on some of the statistics of the district -

- Clear Creek ISD serves approximately 40,000 students across 45 campuses, consisting of 5 comprehensive high schools, 3 alternative high schools, 10 intermediate schools, and 27 elementary schools.
- The district is 103 square miles and covers 12 municipalities, like Clear Lake Shores, Nassau Bay, Taylor Lake Village & Webster. CCISD also serves portions of Friendswood (Harris County portion), Houston (Clear Lake City), League City and Pasadena.
- The district employs over 5,0000.

Dr. Engle talked about her Vision 2030. Why 2030? This is the year our current 5th graders will graduate. The focus of this vision is instruction, culture and learning systems. She proposes by 2030, the district will offer pre-k to all district families. It will be a "Leader In Me" district (which is modeled by Stephen R. Covey's principles of leadership and how they can be applied to children of all ages). All intermediate schools will be centers of innovation, creation and collaboration. All graduates will be creators, critical thinkers, collaborators, contributors, communicators, connectors, compassionate and confident.

She discussed a bit about the Wave Program. There are two locations: WAVE North at Westbrook Intermediate and WAVE South at League City Intermediate. This program provides a nurturing environment for students to enhance their executive functioning skills. Other programs offered at various CCISD schools are E-STEM Magnet, Robotics and Coding and Science Magnet.

Dr. Engle weighed in on how CCISD had approved to change the class ranking policy starting with the class of 2027. Class rank will now be determined by a system that uses only courses in English Language Arts (non-elective), Math, Science, Social Studies (non-elective), and World Languages and Culture. Under this proposal, students may take electives they desire without impacting their class rank status.

She explained a bit about the 2023 Facility Advisory Committee and its charge to formulate recommendations to the <u>Board of</u> <u>Trustees</u> on how to address the district's potential budget shortfall and plans to communicate to the public the financial struggles they face going forward like many school districts across the state are facing. You can read <u>here</u> for additional information.

She mentioned how CCISD continues to have the <u>lowest tax rate</u>. Clear Creek ISD approved its 2022-23 tax rate at \$1.1146 per \$100 of valuation, continuing its streak of lowering the annual rate.

Dr. Engle is quoted as saying "For me, the CCISD star represents the shining light of hope of education that our District has been for me personally and for thousands of students over the decades. I am excited to look ahead at what is possible for the next generation of Clear Creek ISD graduates."



Welcome to Woke, USA

where the most paranoid fantasies are embraced and figuring out how to pay for everything doesn't matter

















































Next Meeting - August 22, 2023

Audrey Young, a Republican, was elected to the State Board of Education in November 2020 representing parts of the Greater Houston and Southeast Texas area. Audrey is married to Reverend Scott Moore, pastor of Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church and Deputy Sherriff for Trinity County. Her daughters: Amanda and AmyBeth are college graduates and work full-time in their field of expertise.

Young is the Director of Student Support Services for Nacogdoches ISD. She earned an associate's degree in Education from South Florida State College, bachelor's degree in Communication Sciences and Disorders from the University of Central Florida, a master's degree in Curriculum and Instruction, an Educational Specialist degree in Educational Leadership, and a Doctorate of Education from Stephen F. Austin State University.

Her career spans over 29 years in public education as a speech therapist, reading specialist, middle school administrator, and district director. Following her exemplary service as a Master Trustee for Apple Springs ISD in Trinity County (6 years), a former two-term member of the Executive Board of Leadership – Texas Association of School Boards Alumni Association (LTASBAA), a 3-term member of the TASB Legislative Advisory Council (LAC) representing Region 6, and two years on the Texas Education Agency (TEA) Board of Trustees Advisory Committee, Young wrote her doctoral dissertation on the connection between the school board, within their perceived roles and responsibilities, and their relationship with the superintendent. Young wrote, *"School board members are expected to make important decisions that directly impact students without having been provided the political, financial, educational, or statutory training necessary for such monumental tasks. Boards are as honest to their role as superintendents are to theirs."* In her spare time, Dr. Young volunteers as a dance teacher for the Adaptive Dance class at No Limits Dance Center of Nacogdoches, serving children with disabilities through dance and movement.

Young is a 9th generation of the Rose family to reside in Texas and her family is recognized by the Texas State Historical Society as a Texas First Family. Her family member: John Washington Rose was elected to the very first Texas Legislature in 1846, representing Victoria County. Following the legacy of the Rose family, 176 years later, Dr. Young now serves as an elected State Official. She is the Literacy Chair of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Anthony Smith Chapter and the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, Mary Hall Mantooth Chapter. She is the President of the Nacogdoches Chapter of the American Association of University Women, a board member of the Apricity Foundation, a lifetime member of the Montgomery County Fair Association, a lifetime member of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo serving on the Scholarship Administration Committee and the Speakers Committee and is the First Lady of WMUMC. Young was recently honored as a recognized Alumni from both South Florida State College and University of Central Florida. She was named 2021 Educator of the Year in Special Services from the Association of Texas Professional Educators, awarded the 2021 State of Texas 4-H Salute to Excellence Award for District 5, named a 2022 Friend of Education by Sam Houston State University, awarded the 2023 Woman of the Year special recognition as an Outstanding Advocate by the American Association of University Women Nacogdoches Branch, and recognized as the 2023 Area 5 CTAT Champion of CTE Award.



As a member of the State Board of Education, Young represents District 8 with about 1.9 million Texans who reside in 11 counties: part of Ft. Bend, part of Galveston, Grimes, part of Harris, Houston, Polk, part of Montgomery, San Jacinto, Trinity, Walker, and Waller counties.



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Bay Area Republican Women cordially invite you to the

30th Annual Lincoln Dinner

with Keynote Speaker Marc Lotter Former Special Assistant to President Trump

Former Press Secretary to Vice President Mike Pence

Former Director of Strategic Communications Trump - Pence 2020

> Friday, September 15, 2023 Lakewood Yacht club 2322 Lakewood Yacht Club Dr. Seabrook, TX 77586

Cocktails, Silent Auction at 6:00 pm Attire: After Five, Black-tie optional Dinner at 7:00 pm Reservations Required Bay Area Republican Women

30th Annual Lincoln Dinner

Friday, September 15, 2023

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<i>\$1200 Liberty Sponsor</i> Table Seating for 10. Recognition
\$700 Freedom Sponsor 1/2 Table Seating for 5
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I am unable to attend, enclosed is my contribution of \$
For more information and to reserve your table, please contact Chris Elguezabal 713-898-8241 Debbie Guitian Roan 281-218-7350 or email: celguezabal@gmail.com
Make checks payable to BARWPAC and mail to 4106 Pine Blossom Trail, Houston, Texas 77059. (No corporate checks please.)
Please print names of sponsors or parties wishing to sit together on the back of this card. To be listed in the program and receive priority seating, sponsorship must be in by September 8, 2023.

Bay Area Republican Women

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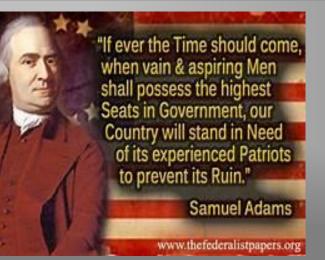
BARW ANNUAL LINCOLN DAY DINNER

LAKEWOOD YACHT CLUB 2425 NASA PARKWAY, SEABROOK, TX



KEYNOTE SPEAKER MARC LOTTER

CHIEF COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER AMERICA FIRST POLICY INSTITUTE FORMER DIRECTOR OF STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS FOR TRUMP-PENCE 2020 CAMPAIGN



"THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO DESTROY PEOPLE IS TO DENY AND OBLITERATE THEIR OWN UNDERSTANDING OF THEIR HISTORY." - GEORGE ORWELL



- 6 Elizabeth Brannan
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- 14 Kathleen Nenninger



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- 10 Jane Bonham
- 13 Anthony Ferraro
- 14 Nancy Lamson

- 17 Olga Whittingt
- 19 Ken Robinson
- 20 Annette Dwyer
- 25 Joan Sweeney
- 30 Cambria Beasley
 - **15** Christina Boles
 - 22 Margaret Sucre Vail
 - 28 Joyce Jacobs
 - 29 Gaye Wylie
 - 30 Emmeline Dodd
 - 31 Frances Nussbaum
 - 31 Louie Ditta



Continue Learning

The Decisive Decade: American Grand Strategy for Triumph Over China

by Jonathan D.T. Ward

In *The Decisive Decade*, Dr. Jonathan D.T. Ward—China scholar and founder of the Atlas Organization, a consultancy focused on US-China global competition—offers a comprehensive framework for how the United States can, and must, defeat China on the world stage economically, diplomatically, militarily, and ideologically. International security and American supremacy are at stake—and now is the time for the US to take action.



China's global power and influence grows every day. Working from a deep sense of national identity, the Chinese Communist Party is leading its country toward what it deems "the great rejuvenation of the Chinese Nation," and executing a long-term Grand Strategy to topple over its chief adversary, the United States. As China becomes increasingly repressive domestically and aggressive overseas, it threatens to upend America's global dominance at every turn.

Ward provides novel and practical strategies that our government, as well as our businesses and our citizens, can utilize to undermine our adversary. Exhaustive campaigns in the economic, diplomatic, military, and ideological arenas, he argues, must be taken to achieve victory.

Unwoke Inc. | PragerU

(Click on the link for video.)

Why has everyone and everything gone woke? From iconic beer companies to your favorite retail brands, wokeism has infiltrated nearly every aspect of our culture. In PragerU's short documentary, Unwoke Inc., Amala Ekpunobi embarks on a cross-country journey to speak with pro-American leaders and entrepreneurs in business, academia, sports, and finance to understand how we got here and what we can do to fight back and win against the woke industrial complex.

Featuring interviews with Vivek Ramaswamy (author of *Woke, Inc.*), Jeremy Boreing (Jeremy's Razors), Amanda Ensing (Elevate Beauty), Jonathan Isaac (NBA and Judah's Nation apparel), and Michael Farris (founder of Patrick Henry College), Unwoke, Inc. proves that you can push back and make a cultural impact by providing non-woke alternatives in academia, culture, and business. Together, we can innovate and create businesses that are good for society and good for America.

The modern woke-industrial complex divides us as a people. By mixing morality with consumerism, America's elites prey on our innermost insecurities about who we really are. They sell us cheap social causes and skin-deep identities to satisfy our hunger for a cause and our search for meaning, at a moment when we as Americans lack both.



This book not only rips back the curtain on the new corporatist agenda, it offers a better way forward. America's elites may want to sort us into demographic boxes, but we don't have to stay there. *Woke, Inc.* begins as a critique of stakeholder capitalism and ends with an exploration of what it means to be an American today—a journey that begins with cynicism and ends with hope

Pastor Joe Wright's Invocation to the Kansas State Legislature circa February 1996

Heavenly Father, we come before You today to ask Your forgiveness, and to seek Your direction and guidance. We know Your Word says, 'Woe to those who call evil good.' And that's



exactly what we've done.

We've lost our spiritual equilibrium.

We've inverted our values.

We confess that we've ridiculed the absolute Truth of Your Word in the name of moral pluralism.

We've worshiped other gods and called it 'multiculturalism.'

We've endorsed perversion and called it 'alternative lifestyle.'

We've exploited the poor and called it a 'lottery.'

We've neglected the needy and called it 'self-preservation.'

We've rewarded laziness and called it 'welfare.'

Father, in the name of 'choice,' we have killed our unborn, and then in the name of 'right to life,' we've killed abortionists.

We've neglected to discipline our children and called it 'building esteem.'

We have abused power and called it 'political savvy.'

We have coveted our neighbor's possessions and called it 'taxes.'

- We have polluted the air with profanity and pornography and called it 'freedom of expression.'
- We've ridiculed the time-honored values of our forefathers and called it 'enlightenment.'
- Search us, O God, know our hearts today, try us and show us any wickedness in us. And then cleanse us from every sin and set us free.

Guide and bless these men and women who have been sent here by the people of Kansas and who have been ordained by You to govern this great state. Grant them Your wisdom to rule and may their decisions direct us to the center of Your will. I ask it in the name of Your Son the Living Savior, Jesus Christ.

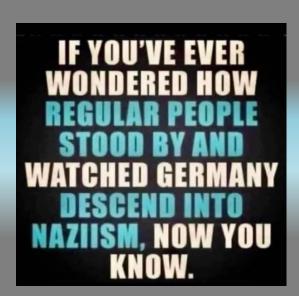
Amen.

Will America continue as an example of freedom, defender of human rights and dignity, champion of faith and family, grounded in science and reality, or fall to the indulgence of those who seek to destroy it?

What is it going to take

to WAKE-UP America?



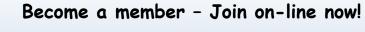


BARW Purpose

The purpose of Bay Area Republican Women is to promote an informed electorate through political education. BARW works to increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government through active political participation. We strive to 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.

To join BARW, print and complete the Membership Application form in this newsletter (page 17) and mail it to BARW Membership Chair, P.O. Box 58103, Webster, TX 77598-8103 with your payment, or bring it to Elizabeth Lauzon at the next meeting.

Join on-line using the QR code below.







Bay Area Republican Women Official Minutes of the General Meeting May 23, 2023 Bay Oaks Country Club

Debbie Roan, President of BARW, called the meeting to order at 8:03 AM and welcomed all to the May 23rd. BARW meeting. Judge Holly Williamson delivered the invocation. Will Carter led the pledge to the US flag and Fred Flickinger led the pledge to the Texas flag.

Elected officials present were Judge Holly Williamson, Dawn McDonald for Dennis Paul, Adrienne Sun for Briscoe Cain, Beverly Ferguson for State Senator Mayes Middleton, and Will Carter for Congressman Brian Babin.

Candidates present were Judge Holly Williamson, Fred Flickinger, Roy Morales, Julian Ramirez, Will Carter for Congressman Brian Babin, and Adrienne Sun for Briscoe Cain .

Debbie Roan called for any corrections to the minutes from the April meeting. As there were none, the minutes were approved as submitted.

The speaker for the Lincoln Day Dinner was announced as Marc Lotter. A save the date flyer will be sent out soon and a signup sheet for the LLD was offered. Items for the live and silent auction will be needed.

A survey for a possible meeting time change will be sent out during the summer. The possible cost of lunch will be between \$25 and \$30 dollars. If there is enough interest, the change would not begin until January 2024.

Marcella Erwin, Treasurer, gave the report to the club. We have a balance of \$15,868.30 as of May 23, 2023. Income was \$245.00 and expenditures were \$3,146.92. Debbie Roan called for any corrections to the report. As there were none, the treasurer's report was submitted for review.

1st VP Elizabeth Lauzon announced the membership numbers. We have 83 full members, 8 associate members, and 20 men associates. The directories were given out to the membership.

2nd VP introduced our speaker, Dr. Karen Engel, Superintendent of CCISD. Dr. Engel gave an informative talk about the future improvements in the district. She then opened the floor for questions.

There will be a mixer on Tuesday, July 25th from 6-8 PM at Pomodoro's located at the corner of Pineloch and El Camino. There will be a cash bar and finger food will be provided.

The TFRW convention is October 12th-14th. We will have 7 delegates. It is at the Irving Convention Center in Las Colins in Irving. An email was sent on May 17^{th.} With the details. The club will pay the \$195 registration fee for the delegates. The deadline for early registration is June 30th.

Our next general meeting is August 22nd.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:09 AM.

Lincoln Day Dinner Auction Request

Hello BARW,

Can you believe we are celebrating our 30th Annual Lincoln Day Dinner? Do you realize the role you have played in the success of our organization? We can't thank you enough for supporting us and your volunteer work.

Seeking Auction Items! Give us the Goods, We'll Take Care of the Rest.

Auctions Are Fun, Get Ready, Set, Run.

BARW Annual Lincoln Day Dinner

SEPTEMBER 15

Cocktails, Silent Auction at 6:00 p.m., Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Lakewood Yacht Cub 2322 Lakewood Yacht Club Dr., Seabrook

I want to challenge each of you to go out and get an auction item! We want this year to be a success!

We are seeking an Auctioneer. If you know of anyone, please contact any of the auction chair (Debra Risinger, Faye Picard, Gaye Wylie and Annette Dwyer).

Important Dates

August

- 5 West Pearland RW, Proudly Red, Hilton Garden Inn, Pearland. 6pm
- 16 Galveston RW, San Luis Resort, 5222 Seawall Blvd., Galveston, 11:30am
- 21 Texas Gulf Coast RW, La Escondida, 400 W. Parkwood Ave., Friendswood, 6:30pm
- 22 Bay Area RW, Bay Oaks Country Club, 14545 Bay Oaks Blvd., Houston, 7:30am Social, 8am Speaker, 9am Business Meeting. RSVP to <u>barw.rsvp@gmail.com</u> for breakfast. Continental Breakfast \$13
- 30 GHC Hats Off To Republican Women Luncheon, Junior League of Houston, 1811 Briar Oaks Lane, Houston. 11am-1pm

September

- 1 Clear Creek RW, La Brisa Restaurant, 501 Wesley Dr., League City, 11:30am
- 4 Labor Day
- 7 Baytown RW, 888 Chinese Restaurant, 4567 Garth Rd., Ste. 400, Baytown. 5:30pm

West Pearland RW, Big Horn BBQ, 2300 Smith Ranch Rd., Pearland, 6:30pm

- 11 Patriot's Day
- 15 BARW 30th Annual Lincoln Dy Dinner, Lakewood Yacht Club, 2322 Lakewood Yacht Club Drive, Seabrook. 6pm

INSTITUTION DAY

- 17 Constitution Day
- 18 Texas Gulf Coast RW, La Escondida, 400 W. Parkwood Ave., Friendswood, 6:30pm
- 19 Greater Houston Council Meeting, Trini Mendenhall Center, 1414 Wirt, Houston. 9:30am
- 20 Galveston RW, San Luis Resort, 5222 Seawall Blvd., Galveston, 11:30am
- 23 First Day Of Autumn

- AUTOMO
- 26 Bay Area RW, Bay Oaks Country Club, 14545 Bay Oaks Blvd., Houston, 7:30am Social, 8am Speaker, 9am Business Meeting. RSVP to <u>barw.rsvp@gmail.com</u> for breakfast. Continental Breakfast \$13

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BAY AREA REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB

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Other Area Republican Women Groups

Baytown RW

Clear Creek RW

Galveston RW

Texas Gulf Coast RW

West Pearland RW



For meeting dates, times, and locations, please check the calendar on page 15.

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