

**TFRW Region XVIII, Texas Senate District 11** 

## President's Voice

#### Hello BARW!

Fall is in the air. The sweltering sun and downpours are beginning to come to an end. As the days grow shorter and temperatures drop, leaves will transform into a stunning array of hues of reds, oranges, yellows, browns and purples. I always look forward to the fall festivals in Houston, as well as hayrides and pumpkin patches. Decorating and preparing for Halloween, Thanksgiving and then Santa! Where has this year gone?

Fall is also the time to make those door-to-door canvassing efforts. But if that's not the route for you, don't worry. Phone banks, text banks, direct mail, and literature drops are all effective ways to get out the vote. You can also volunteer with the <a href="Harris County Republican Party">Harris County Republican Party</a>. The National Federation Of Republican has a <a href="Campaign Committee">Campaign Committee</a> to sign up to make phone calls for President Trump. You can join <a href="TRUMP Force 47">TRUMP Force 47</a>. Trump Force 47 is the official army of volunteer neighborhood organizers working together to defeat Kamala Harris and the far-left liberal democrats. Join the <a href="Cruz Crew">Cruz Crew</a>.

There are many events happenings as well that you can attend. Here is the <u>HCRP</u> <u>Calendar of Events</u>. Attending political events is a great way to network with likeminded individuals, build connections and engage in discussion. It also gives you the ability to mingle with elected officials to discuss concerns directly with them. I encourage you to volunteer and be engaged.

This IS the most important election of our lifetime. We will never recover if President Donald J. Trump is not elected. The future of our great nation is in our hands. Do not become complacent. Be vigilant and stay on course. We must win in November!

We are excited about our 31st BARW Lincoln Dinner. Our guest speaker is American Columnist, Commentator, Political Pundit - Guy Benson. Can I assume you have already purchased your ticket? You can make your reservations <a href="HERE">HERE</a>. Don't forget the importance of donating an auction item. The auction is a big part of our fundraising effort.

Our next luncheon meeting of BARW will be held on Tuesday, September 24th, at Bay Oaks Country Club. Our speaker will be <u>Jessica Hart Steinmann</u>, General Counsel at America First Policy Institute and Former Trump Administration Senior Official at DOJ.

Social begins @11:00 a.m. The meeting begins @12:00 pm. Lunch Costs \$29.00, payable at the door.

Get those RSVP's in by Friday, August 23rd @ barw.rsvp@gmail.com.

Let's Keep Texas RED!

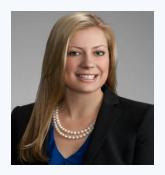


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Debra Risinger, 2024 BARW Presdent

## Next Meeting - September 24, 2024

#### Jessica Hart Steinmann



General Counsel at America First Policy Institute, & Former Trump Administration Senior Official at DOJ

Jessica currently serves as General Counsel & Director of Litigation for the America First Policy Institute, a think tank created by senior officials from the Trump Administration. In this role, she oversees the legal operations for the organization and also brings litigation that furthers the American way of life and protects our Constitution.

Previously, she served as a senior official for the Trump Administration at the Department of Justice (DOJ). She was appointed by President Trump as the Director for the Office of Victims of Crime at the DOJ where she oversaw nearly \$9 billion (funding financed by fines and penalties paid by convicted felons, not from taxpayer dollars). Her office provided the largest federal funding to combat domestic human trafficking. Before this role, she served as the Intergovernmental and Public Liaison for the DOJ. In this role, she was the primary liaison with governors, state attorneys general, state elected officials, law enforcement officials, and key stakeholders.

Additionally, Jessica served as Elections Committee Clerk & Counsel of the Texas House of Representatives in 2021 and helped draft SB1 (the election integrity law that the Democrats boycotted and fled to Washington D.C. in protest). She previously worked for U.S. Senator Ted Cruz, the Harris County Republican Party, and started her career as a commercial litigation attorney at Bracewell & Giuliani, LLP in Houston.

Jessica is very involved in her community. She was elected as the Texas committeewoman on the RNC platform committee in 2024 and was also selected as an at-large delegate for Texas for the RNC Convention in 2024. She currently serves as the President of The Woodlands Republican Women and is the Election Integrity & Ballot Security Chair on the Texas Federation of Republican Women's board. She previously served as the President of the Houston Young Lawyers Association and the Chair of the Houston Holocaust Museum's Next Generation Leadership Board. She was named a National Future 40 under 40 by MavPac in 2017 and 40 Under 40 in Texas in TFRW's inaugural class of awardees in 2023.

She graduated in the top of her class from Baylor Law School, where she also served as managing executive editor of the Baylor Law Review and was elected class president of her law school class all three years of law school. She attended undergrad at the University of Texas at Austin where she double majored in Finance and Business Honors Program with a minor in government. Jessica is married to Brandon Steinmann, Montgomery County Clerk and they have a 2 year old son Luke and another baby boy due in December.









## Líncoln Dínner Keynote Speaker

**Guy Pelham Benson** (born March 7, 1985) is an American columnist, commentator, and political <u>pundit</u>. He is a contributor to <u>Fox News</u>, political editor of <u>Townhall.com</u>, and a conservative talk radio host. Benson served as a Fellow at the <u>Georgetown Institute of Politics and Public Service</u> during the spring 2021 academic semester

After graduating with honors from the <u>Medill School of Journalism</u> at <u>Northwestern University</u> in 2007, Benson served as the producer of *The Sandy Rios Show*, then a local afternoon radio show with <u>Christian Right</u> commentator <u>Sandy Rios</u> on <u>WYLL-AM</u> in Chicago. Rios moved to Washington D.C. in July 2010.

In 2010, Benson became political editor at Townhall.com, where his columns had been published since February 2008.

Benson also contributes to Townhall's sister site, <u>Hot Air</u>. He previously wrote at <u>Andrew Breitbart</u>'s "Big" sites and <u>National Review Online</u>'s Media Blog. He serves as a regular guest and substitute host on <u>The Hugh Hewitt Show</u>.

In 2013, Benson joined <u>Fox News</u> as a contributor. He currently hosts *The Guy Benson Show* on <u>Fox News Radio</u>. In addition, he serves as a primary guest and substitute host on various Fox News/<u>Fox Business</u> programs such as <u>Fox & Friends</u>, <u>America's</u>
<u>Newsroom</u>, <u>Outnumbered</u>, <u>The Story with Martha MacCallum</u>, <u>Special Report</u>, <u>Gutfeld!</u>, <u>The Big Weekend Show</u>, <u>Media Buzz</u>, <u>Fox News Sunday</u>, The Evening Edit and The Bottom Line.

## Campaign Activities

2024 Blockwalking Planning Schedule						
Date Time		Meeting Location	Precinct			
Saturday, September 21, 2024	9:00 AM	16314 Cavendish Dr. Houston, Texas 77059	721			
Saturday, September 28, 2024	9:00 AM	Oak Chase Park - 14642 Oak Chase Drive Houston, Texas 77062	568			
Saturday, October 5, 2024	9:00 AM	16314 Cavendish Dr. Houston, Texas 77059	721			
Saturday, October 12, 2024	9:00 AM	Tenative Bay Oaks Parking Lot	1101			
Saturday, October 12, 2024	9:00 AM	Universirty Green Park - 2100 Broadlawn, Houston Texas 77058	391			
Wednesday, October 16, 2024	5:30 PM	14003 Wyndham Terrace Trail	724			
Saturday, October 19, 2024	day, October 19, 2024 9:00 AM 16314 Cavendish Dr. Houston, Texas 77059		721			

#### Hello BARW,

This is the block walking schedule for the Clear Lake Area. Try to help out where you can. You only go to Republican Households. This is all about turning out the vote. Just send an email to James Simmons and let him know where you can participate. <a href="mailto:jamessimmonssr@att.net">jamessimmonssr@att.net</a>.

Just an FYI Precinct 1101 is my precinct and is entirely in Bay Oaks. It is scheduled for October 12<sup>th</sup>. I would love some help. 

Just let James and myself know.

Working to Keep Texas Red, turn Harris County Red and Make America Great Again!

Debbie Roan Campaign Activities Chair



## IMPORTANT DATES

October 7 Last Day to Register to Vote

October 21 Early Voting Begins

October 25 Last Day to Request a Mail-in Ballot

November 1 Early Voting Ends
November 5 ELECTION DAY

For opportunities to help with elections

https://www.harriscountygop.com/take-action/

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the <u>beliefs people</u> have, <u>especially</u> about what is <u>right</u> and <u>wrong</u> and what is most <u>important</u> in <u>life</u>, that control their behaviour



"I think the most important and most significant aspect of my policy perspective and decisions is, my values have not changed," Harris said, when Bash asked about how voters should view her policy shifts.

#### Rob Bluey@RobertBluey

Rob Bluey is president and executive editor of The Daily Signal.



**FIRST ON THE DAILY SIGNAL**—Voters aren't buying Vice President <u>Kamala Harris</u>' flip-flops on several key policy issues, according to a new Scott Rasmussen national survey.

The RMG Research poll, released Friday by the Napolitan News Service, asked 1,000 registered voters this week about the policy views of Harris on <u>illegal immigration</u>, fracking, government-run <u>health care</u>, gun ownership, defunding the police, and an <u>electric vehicle mandate</u>.

On issue after issue where Harris has changed her position, a majority of voters perceive her as a <u>progressive</u> <u>Democrat</u> holding the views she vocally advocated for in the past rather than a remade moderate seeking to fend off former President Donald Trump.

Poll: Voters Unconvinced by Kamala Harris' Flip-Flops (dailysignal.com)



# Caring for America

Your donations to Bay Area Meals on Wheels at our last meeting were \$248. Thank you very much. We only have two more times this year to collect for Bay Area Meals on Wheels, September and October.

Our combined November/December meeting .is our Eggnog Party usually held the first Wednesday in December. At that time, we collect for Fisher House, another good charity, that houses family members of injured or ill military men and women.

Let's try to hit the \$300 or \$400 mark this month. Thank you for your generosity.



Thanks, Jean Raffetto, Parliamentarian and Caring for America Chair

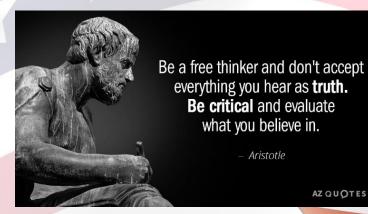




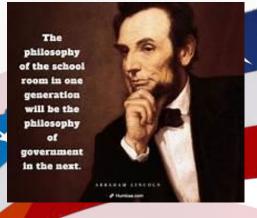
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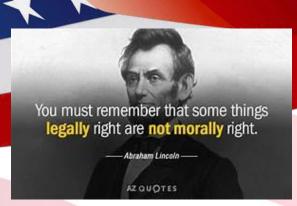
- 1 Karen Plante
- 6 Kimberly O'Connor
- 10 Jane Bonham
- 22 Margaret Sucre Vail
- 28 Joyce Jacobs
- 29 Gaye Wylie
- 29 Dawn Trelgle
- 30 Emmeline Dodd





The journalists in America are no longer covering critical stories. Investigative journalism is gone. Foreign-news coverage is gone. The press is owned by five giant corporations.





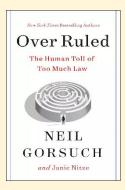


## Continue Learning

# Over Ruled: The Human Toll Of Too Much Law By Neil Gorsuch and Janie Nitze

America has always been a nation of laws. But today our laws have grown so vast and reach so deeply into our lives that it's worth asking: In our reverence for law, have we gone too far?

Over just the last few decades, laws in this nation have exploded in number; they are increasingly complex; and the punishments they carry are increasingly severe. Some of these laws come from our elected representatives, but many now come from agency officials largely insulated from democratic accountability.?



MARTY MAKARY, MD

In *Over Ruled*, Neil Gorsuch and Janie Nitze explore these developments and the human toll so much law can carry for ordinary Americans. At its heart, this is a book of stories—about fishermen in Florida, families in Montana, monks in Louisiana, a young Internet entrepreneur in Massachusetts, and many others who have found themselves trapped unexpectedly in a legal maze.

Some law is essential to our lives and our freedoms. But too much law can place those very same freedoms at risk and even undermine respect for law itself. And often those who feel the cost most acutely are those without wealth, power, and status.

Deeply researched and superbly written, *Over Ruled* is one of the most significant books of the year. It is a must-read for every citizen concerned about the erosion of our constitutional system, and its insights will be key to the preservation of our liberties for generations to come.

## Blind Spots: When Medicine Gets It Wrong, and What It Means for Our Health

Dr. Marty Makary

From Johns Hopkins medical expert Dr. Marty Makary, the *New York Times*-bestselling author of *The Price We Pay*-an eye-opening look at the medical groupthink that has led to public harm, and what you need to know about your health.

More Americans have peanut allergies today than at any point in history. Why? In 2000, the American Academy of Pediatrics issued a strict recommendation that parents avoid giving their children peanut products until they're three years old. Getting the science perfectly backward, triggering intolerance with lack of early exposure, the US now leads the world in peanut allergies-and this institution is still rearing its head today.

How could the experts have gotten it so wrong? Dr. Marty Makary asks, Could it be that many modern-day health crises have been caused by the hubris of the medical establishment? Experts said for decades that opioids were not addictive, igniting the opioid crisis. They refused menopausal women hormone replacement therapy, causing unnecessary suffering. They demonized natural fat in foods, driving Americans to processed carbohydrates as obesity rates soared. They told citizens that there are no downsides to antibiotics and prescribed them liberally, causing a drug-resistant bacteria crisis.

When modern medicine issues recommendations based on good scientific studies, it shines. Conversely, when modern medicine is interpreted through the harsh lens of opinion and edict, it can mold beliefs that harm patients and stunt research for decades. In *Blind Spots*, Dr. Makary explores the latest research on critical topics ranging from the microbiome to childbirth to nutrition and longevity and more, revealing the biggest blind spots of modern medicine and tackling the most urgent yet unsung issues in our \$4.5 trillion health care ecosystem. The path to medical mishaps can be absurd, entertaining, and jaw-dropping-but the truth is essential to our health.





## **Important Dates**

#### **September**

- 11 Patriot Day
- 17 Constitution Day
- 18 Galveston RW, San Luis Resort, 5222 Seawall Blvd., Galveston, 11:30am
- 22 First Day Of Autumn
- Bay Area RW, Bay Oaks Country Club, 14545 Bay Oaks Blvd., Houston, LUNCH MEETING 11am Social, 12 noon Speaker, Business Meeting. RSVP to barw.rsvp@gmail.com for Lunch. Lunch cost: \$29.00
- 27 Bay Area RW, 31st Annual Lincoln Day Dinner, Lakewood Yacht Club, Seabrook, 6pm

#### <u>October</u>

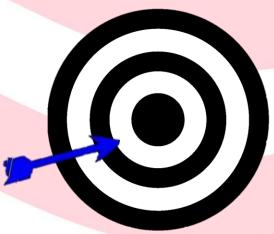
- West Pearland RW, Magnolia Cajun Comfort, 1807 Broadway, unit 113, Pearland, 6:30pm Baytown RW, Luby's, 1201 W. Baker, Baytown. 6pm
- 4 Clear Creek RW, La Brisa Restaurant, 501 Wesley Dr., League City, 11:30am
- 7 Last Day to Register to Vote
- 14 Columbus Day
- 16 Galveston RW, San Luis Resort, 5222 Seawall Blvd., Galveston, 11:30am
- 21 Early Voting Begins
- Bay Area RW, Bay Oaks Country Club, 14545 Bay Oaks Blvd., Houston, LUNCH MEETING 11am Social, 12 noon Speaker, Business Meeting. RSVP to barw.rsvp@gmail.com for Lunch. Lunch cost: \$29.00
- 25 Last Day to Apply for a Ballot by Mail

#### November

- 1 Early Voting Ends
- 3 Daylight Saving Time Ends
- 5 **Election Day**
- 11 Veterans Day
- 28 Happy Thanksgiving











## Membership For 2024

If you have not renewed your membership to Bay Area Republican Women for 2024, we hope you will join today. This year - 2024 - is a crucial election year for the future of our nation. Stay informed and support the conservative candidates working to preserve our freedoms and our democracy!

There are 2 ways to renew your membership, or for your friends to join BARW.

Go to barw.org, click on "Become A Member" and

- 1) Fill in the online membership form and pay for the membership with a credit card online, or
- 2) Print the BARW membership form (page 15). Fill it out and pay for the membership by check and mail it into BARW Membership, P.O. Box 58103, Webster, Texas 77598-8103, or bring it to the BARW Luncheon meeting.

## **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.

Become a Member – Bay Area Republican Women (barw.org)

Become a member - Join on-line now!



## Bay Area Republican Women's Club General Meeting Minutes August 27, 2024

A General Meeting of the Bay Area Republican Women's Club was called to order by Vice President Karen Hall on August 27, 2024, at 12:00 PM at Bay Oaks Country Club, 14545 Bay Oaks Blvd., Houston. A quorum was established. Present were current board members Karen Hall, Ann Arnett, Karen Plante, Linda Guice, Marcella Erwin, Pat Adams, Jean Raffetto, Chis Elquezabal and Margaret Vail. Absent: Debra Risinger, Debbie Roan, Eliza Paul, Rebecca Martin and Edie Holland.

Invocation: Given by Karen Hall
U.S. Pledge: Led by Twila Carter
Texas Pledge: Led by Mike Knox

#### Candidates and Representatives recognized:

Twila Carter Houston City Council At large Position 3

Mike Knox Harris County Sheriff
Dennis Paul HD 129 Representative

Cyndy Butcher for HD 24 Representative Dr. Greg Bonnen

Darby Gaffigan for Holly Williamson PCT 8 Place 1 Justice of Peace

Adrienne Sun for HD 128 Representative Briscoe Cain

Kristin Guiney 183<sup>rd</sup> District Court and Criminal Court Harris County

Annette Dwyer Chief of Staff for Willie Davis Houston City Council At Large Position 2

Minutes from May 28, 2024, General Meeting: Vice President Karen Hall announced that the May Minutes are in the newsletter. A copy of the Minutes was also available for review at the meeting. Karen Hall asked for any corrections to the Minutes. None presented. The Minutes stand approved as submitted.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Treasurer Report**: Marcella Erwin presented her report:

Bank Balance 08/27/2024 \$34,559.73 Deposits 5,880.00 Expenditures (-5,920.63)

Ending Balance \$34,519.10

The report was submitted for review.

**Membership**: Karen Hall reported eighty-eight members currently in BARW.

Caring for America (Parliamentarian): Jean Raffetto reported donations made to Meals on Wheels.

**Campaign Activities**: Chris Elquezabal presented report for Debbie Roan.

- Lincoln Day Dinner (LDD) is September 27, 2024, Lakewood Yacht Club, 6:00 PM. Help is needed at the sign in table from 6:00 - 6:30 PM and 6:30 - 7:00 PM. Silent Auction items are needed. Please see Margaret Vail.

**Program**: Ann Arnett introduced the guest speaker Twila Carter - Houston City Council Member At-Large Position 3. Twila is a long-time Houstonian who has served as Senior Vice President of Community Relations of the Houston Astros and Executive Director of the Astros Foundation. Twila grew up in humble beginnings and worked diligently to break the cycle of poverty in her family. She believes in investing in others and has worked in various capacities to help create opportunities for struggling families and at-risk women. Twila is also committed to supporting law enforcement in Houston. Ms. Carter began speaking about the services that the City Council provides using its two assets: people and tax dollars. Public safety is a priority. However, while Chicago is far less populated than Houston, Chicago retains twice as many law enforcement officers. Money in Houston this year will not go to rarely-used bike lanes, but rather to fund cadet classes – six for police and five for fire. A brief question and answer session followed.

Meeting adjourned at 12:46 PM.

Minutes by Karen Plante, Recording Secretary



A mind is like a parachute. It doesn't work if it is not open.

Frank Zappa



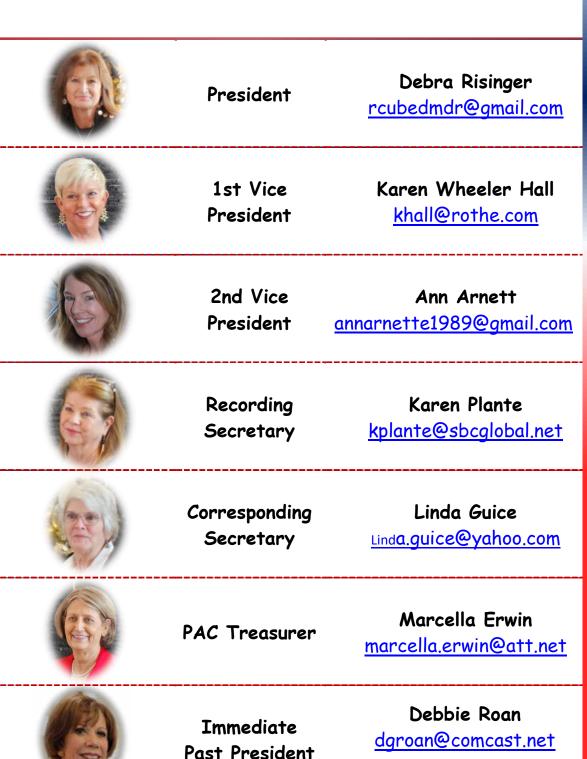
The difference between stupidity and genius is that genius has its limits.

**Albert Einstein** 

# **Pray for Our Country**



## **BARW 2024 Officers**



## BAY AREA REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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## Other Area Republican Women Groups

## Baytown RW

Conservative Principles - Baytown Republican Women

#### Clear Creek RW

<u>About – Clear Creek Republican Women</u> (clearcreekrw.org)

#### Galveston RW

**Galveston Republican Women** 

### Texas Gulf Coast RW

(20+) Texas Gulf Coast Republican Women | Facebook

#### West Pearland RW

West Pearland Republican Women (wprw.republican)



## Stay Connected

## Bay Area Republican Women

https://barw.org/

## BARW Facebook

https://www.facebook.com/Bayarearepublicanwoman/





## Instagram

#bayarearepublicanwomen



Local, State, Federal, & Other Informational Web Page Links

https://barw.org/links/