

REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF GREGG COUNTY

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Region 5 District 1

The President's Talking Point

July is the month we celebrate our nation's independence and freedom many people around the world can only dream of. What better month to begin to tell our local veterans we appreciate their bravery as they continue to support our union in the name of freedom. We will come together at Maude Cobb Convention Center Saturday, Nov 4th from 12 to 2 to celebrate these local heroes with our RWGC fundraiser highlighting two local groups: Veteran's Support Commission and Counting Stars Ranch who provide a variety of special services for local veterans. You see the event is Veteran focused with music, BBQ lunch, silent and live auction, military car show, high school art contest, vendor tables and featured speakers. Early bird ticket sales start in July at \$50 for one or \$90 for 2 and discounts for veterans TBA .

I WANT YOU



I am calling on all club members to support the fundraiser in some fashion. Together and with a little elbow grease we can support veterans and support our conservative RWGC mission and vision to keep our values in the forefront of Gregg County residents. What can you do??

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| Sell tickets | Attend event |
| Market on your social media | Tell network of friends |
| Secure one auction item | Secure one sponsor |
| Tell a veteran | Ask business 4 door prizes |
| Donate what you can afford | Bake cookies to sell |
| Sponsor a club member | Post flyers/poster |
| Make phone calls | Help set up/Decorations |

We need to know who is interested in attending National Federation of Republican Women In Oklahoma Sept 28 – 30 as an alternate. We also can send 2 more delegates and 4 alternates to the TFRW convention in Irving Oct 12 – 15. Registration assistance available. So the Trivia Question this month is what is the name of Service Dog and who is training the dog for our Freedom Is Not Free Fundraiser Nov. 4, 2023. Text me at 903 445 8627 with the answer. First person will be a winner.

God Bless You and America

Jennifer Kranzman

Republican Women of Gregg County – Preside



Programs & Special Events

Rhonda Anderson

1st Vice President

Legislative Update

A special session was called on May 29th and will end June 29, Governor Abbott designates which legislative items will be the focal point. For this session it was property tax relief. The house passed the bills that the Gov. requested and then adjourned. The Senate has a different bill that they think is better and is still in session. It is at odds with the Gov. and the State House.

The deadline to sign or veto a bill was June 18th, this is also dubbed the Father's Day Massacre. The Governor has vetoed over 70 bills from the 88th session which is a new record. He has also signed some very important bills such as Banning Gender Modification, Banning Minors at Drag Queen events, Save Women's Sports, Keeping Sexually Explicit Materials out of schools, and Securing Texas Schools with new emergency preparedness and response.

Highlights on budget items include:

- \$17.6 Billion in property tax relief
- \$9.3 Billion for infrastructure
- \$50.4 Billion to Public Education
- \$5.1 Billion for Border Security
- \$42.9 Billion for Public Health

Other big wins are:

- Further strengthen and secure the Texas Power Grid
- Bolster Texas as the leading Semiconductor Producer
- Prohibit school districts from Denying Teachers the right to display "IN GOD WE TRUST" in their classrooms.
- Historic Investments in our infrastructure
- Eliminate Personal Vehicle inspections
- Allow wholesale importation of prescription drugs from Canada through the Texas Wholesale Prescription Drug Program.
- Ending covid Mandates, mask and vaccine; prevents closures of businesses and schools.

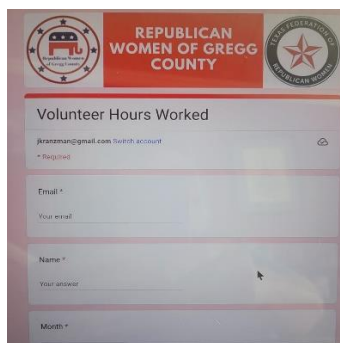
We can expect more special sessions to make sure property tax relief, school choice and border security issues are passed. Overall, this session so far was a success for Conservative Values, but more work needs to be done; so stay engaged and prepare to help at the grassroots level.



CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES

Jennifer Kranzman

June finishes our 2023 second quarter of club members' campaign activities. To recap don't forget your travel and time spent at the following: Exec Board mtg, General mtg, writing, calling, commenting to our elected officials on hot topic bills, precinct chair training, TFRW zoom meetings, obtaining your Volunteer Deputy Registrar designation, going to any political rallies, Republican Club meetings, GOP meetings, political research, not to mention any phone calls related to the club or of a political nature. Iphone and Android log your time on each call you make by date. Look under info for details of each call and total your minutes and # of calls every month. Please provide your second quarter (April, May, and June) volunteer hours no **later than July 5th** to send to TFRW. TFRW wants to show NFRW that Texas Republican women are RED, the hardest worker bees for conservative values in the country. If you have sent any hours already, thank you. An easy link to our website members only tab, has already been sent to you via a club e-mail. Here you will find the form below to submit each month by the fifth or even the entire 3-month hours at one time.



REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF GREGG COUNTY

Volunteer Hours Worked

[j.kranzman@gmail.com](#) [Switch account](#)

* Required

Email *

Your email

Name *

Your name

Month *

Submit

Text any questions to Q&A 903 445 8627. Remember your hours, including travel, are not a perfect science. A best guess is acceptable. We track hours to show the GOP what counties need additional assistance & money saved by women as they get out the message of faith, family, & freedom.



Congressman Nathaniel Moran hosted the chairman of the House Judiciary Committee Jim Jordan at a fundraising event in Tyler. Marty Rhymes had a VIP invite. Rhonda Anderson and Tina McIlveene also attended the event representing Republican Women of Gregg County

Membership Report
Tricia Oxtan 2nd Vice President

CELEBRATE AMERICA!

July 4th is here and it is time to celebrate America and the **RED, WHITE & BLUE!** Enjoy special times with your family and friends this month and teach the children or young people in your life about our flag, founding documents and our values as conservative Americans. Tell them why this is our "pride" flag!



Join us this month for our monthly membership meeting and bring some friends with you. At our June meeting we had 3 guests - William McWhorter, Carley Vickery and Kiley Vickery. Think about the women you know and if they might be interested in joining RWGC. Invite them to attend our July meeting to fellowship with other conservative women and work together to promote Republican principles in our local community! Our current MEMBERSHIP for 2023 is 42, but our goal is 60. We need your help to reach that goal!

This month we are celebrating 4 birthdays:

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND
MANY BLESSINGS ON YOUR
SPECIAL DAY!!**

Gail Gilbert	7-22
Sharon Williamson	7-24
Judy Frey	7-26



**The Journey of "Sarge," A Service
Dog In Training**

Tina got Sarge, the puppy we intend to train to be A Service Dog for a disabled woman veteran, on June 12. We hope to present him to her on November 4th 12 to 2pm at our Veterans Appreciation Event at Maude Cobb. He was 17 weeks old, weighing 16.5 lbs. He's a first Generation Miniature Golden Doodle. His Dam is a Golden Retriever, and his Sire is a red Miniature Poodle. He is quiet and calm for a puppy. He loves to learn and play gently with his toys. He's very smart and intelligent, so he's learning quickly. Perfect disposition for a Therapy or Service Dog! Also, very affectionate and listens well. He has learned his name, Potty trained, learning to heel on the leash, Fetch, Sit, Come when called, Wait at the door until called, Leave It, not to jump on people, unlearned a very bad habit, goes to door to go out, waits at open door until allowed to go out, Off of furniture and Down in the five (5) days Tina has had him. He did very well with the crazy storms too. We work hard, play a lot and then rest and rest.



Tina McIlveene is our RWGC Publicity Chair, a season breeder of Champion St Bernards, skilled trainer, and dog show judge.

Sarge working hard and playing hard. He has won the hearts of RWGC!!

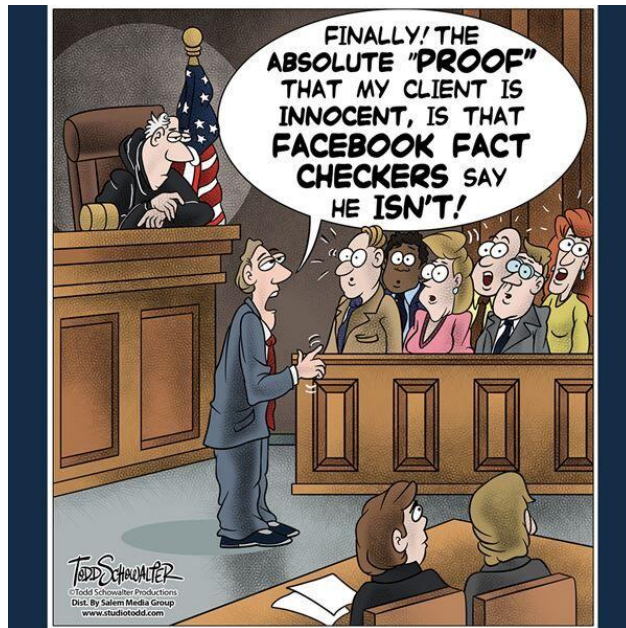




Dawn Barber

Background in Retail sales, CNA,
CPhT, Computer Lab Teacher,
Logistics Shipping/Receiving,
Handmade crafts, and now political.
Thanks for everything that you do!

Caring For America - Chairman



Important Dates to Remember in July

July 4: Independence Day

July 5: Executive Board Meeting at GOP Office

July 19: RWGC General Meeting at Saltgrass – Will start a little early at 11:50 for the speaker



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Please keep the following in your prayers:

- Families traveling on summer vacation
- Tricia Oxton and son, Tyler
- Judy Morgan
- Shirley Holloway
- Joyce Hugman
- Line Men as they head home – that they felt the gratitude East Texas felt for their service through the heat

NOTICE:

Please send any Member Directory info correction directly to martyrhymes@reagan.com

PLAN TO JOIN US FOR THE JULY MEETING ON THE 19TH AT SALTGRASS. ARRIVE AT 11:30 TO ORDER LUNCH.

Program will be Panola Republican Women - Kimberly Bacon and Mary Ross presenting: Teaching Constitution Day...What You Need to Know.



**June program speaker: Roy Maynard
of the Texas Public Policy
Foundation, reporting on the 2023
Texas Legislative Session.**

NEXT NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEADLINE

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