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Dear SARW Members and Friends,

SARW is off to a busy start this year! Members made a trip to Del Rio and Brackettville to deliver supplies to the Border Patrol and learn about the terrible border situation from the perspective of law enforcement and local ranchers. Others toured the San Antonio Migrant Center to see first-hand how our city council and mayor are spending our tax dollars and using our resources.

Some went to a presentation about the devastating proposed “Justice Charter” amendment to San Antonio’s City Charter that will be on the May 6 ballot.

Articles with more information about these activities are in this newsletter. Please read them to find out about these important issues so that you can help spread the word about how critical it is for us to elect conservative candidates in the upcoming city elections.

In conjunction with the March meeting where our speaker, **Dr. Skop**, will be speaking on pro-life women’s health issues, we will be having a “**baby shower**” for Life Choices Medical Clinic. Life Choices, where our member and Secretary Gabrielle Miglis is CEO, is a non-profit organization that works to ensure the health and well being of women and babies. **PLEASE BRING A DONATION** to help support Life Choices. Any items appropriate for a 1-3 year old are needed and appreciated. Especially needed are large disposable diapers, formula, wipes and clothes.

David Moore, a Retired San Antonio Police officer will address the proposed “Justice Charter” that will be on the **May 6th ballot** as an amendment to the San Antonio City Charter. The intent of this amendment is opposed by the City Attorney and Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton. However, highly funded far left proponents and our city council members are making significant progress in gaining support for getting this proposal on the ballot. Please pay attention to this issues as it could change San Antonio forever.

On a lighter note, Membership VP Vicki Durst has scheduled another CHATT meeting for SARW members and friends. Information on the date and location are also in the newsletter.

Let’s get together then and enjoy good food and good company! I look forward to seeing you all at our March 9th luncheon meeting at Anne Marie’s!



*Christine Nichol,
SARW President*

SARW 2023 OFFICERS & COMMITTEES

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The “**Open**”
Committee Chairs
are available to
anyone who
would like to
participate! Please
let us know if you
are interested!



San Antonio Republican Women
GENERAL MEETING

THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2023

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Anne Marie's

12475 Starcrest, San Antonio, TX 78216

Special Guest Speakers

Ingrid Skop, M.D., F.A.C.O.G.

David Moore, Retired SAPD Officer



Dr. Skop is a leading expert in women's health issues

David Moore will be discussing the proposed Justice Charter Amendment

**Please RSVP by 12:00 Noon
Monday, March 6, 2023**

Luncheon Cost: \$30.00

Purchase online at sarwclub.com

or Pay at the door

**by calling or texting 210-410-7108
to pre-register**



**Did Someone Say
"Diapers?"**

Yes! SARW is collecting diapers, sizes newborn to age 3 for a "Life Choices" Baby Shower! Most needed are largest size Pull-ups. Please bring to the SARW Luncheon in MARCH!

SARW's "Caring For America" supports "Life Choices" on an annual basis you can learn more by visiting: <https://www.lifechoices-sa.com>





Thursday – March 9th

SARW General Meeting / 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
Speakers: Dr. Ingrid Skop and David Moore
Anne Marie’s, 12475 Starcrest Dr., SA, TX 78216

Saturday – March 11th

Bexar County GOP
CANDIDATE MEET & GREET / 2:00 - 6:00 pm
Bigz Burger, 5539 UTSA Blvd.

Tuesday – March 14th

CEC (Precinct Chairs) Meeting / 5:00 - 9:00 pm
San Antonio Professional Firefighters Association
8925 Interstate 10

Wednesday – March 15th

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES / PHOTOS
Must be turned in by today’s date!



Thursday – March 16th

SARW – “CHAT” / 11:30 am
(Chicks Having an Awesome Time)
La Fonda on Main, 2415 N. Main

Friday, March 17th - St. Patrick’s Day



We Want to be Friends!



SAVE THE DATE!

SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2023
TFRW Nuts & Bolts Workshop
10:00 am - 3:00 pm
(Registration starts at 9:30 am)
Hays County Republican Party
Welcome Center / 6000 FM 150
Kyle, TX / **Cost \$25.00**

THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2023
LAST DAY to register to Vote

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2023
Republican Party of Bexar County
CHAIRMAN’S BBQ & SKEET SHOOT
San Antonio Gun Club,
12:00-8:00 pm
Cost \$35.00

SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 2023
TFRW 2nd Quarterly Board Meeting
Sheraton Georgetown

MONDAY, APRIL 24 - MAY 2, 2023
EARLY VOTING!

BORDER CARE PROJECT NEWS

*Cappy Davidson, chair Border Care Project
(edited for the newsletter)*

Over the last year and a half, SARW has supported Camino Real Republican Women's Club/Border Care Project, which was started by a former SARW club member Debbie Wall.

In 2019, Debbie Wall began to help our Texas Border Patrol men and women when she received a call from a Camino Real member from the city of Edinburg, Texas requesting hand sanitizer due to the caravans crossing the border carrying various kinds of diseases.

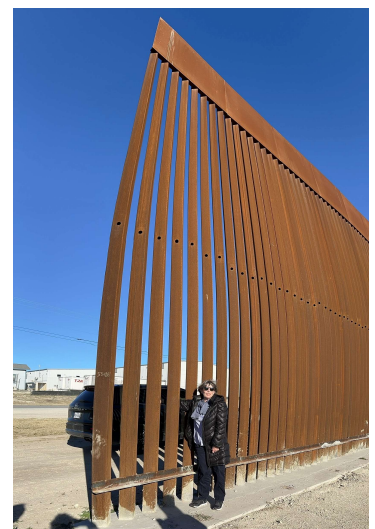
Her goal was to get as much as she could through donations. Success! She got four pickup trucks full! After further discussions, she realized they needed sunscreen, insect repellent, and hand wipes. Covid proved the need for disinfectants after losing agents.

Debbie continues to serve the Del Rio station as they distribute the first-aid bags and snacks to all of their field stations. She also supplies the Brackettville sheriff's office since he is the host for DPS and National Guard. Snacks are appreciated since they are in a remote area.

Over this past year, I have been fortunate when I was asked to accompany Debbie on several of her trips to the border. Debbie has built an important relationship of trust with the Border Patrol. She is given first-hand information from the officers regarding the smuggling of drugs and human trafficking situations. We have heard how this administration has abandoned the citizens of south Texas and their property rights. This administration seems to protect the rights of criminals, drug smugglers, human traffickers, rapists, and pedophiles.



Any support that our club and friends can give to The Border Care Project is greatly appreciated by Debbie and her officers. They need our support and well wishes. It is comforting for the officers to know that people appreciate what they are doing to protect the citizens of our country.



Hello fellow Republicans !

On May 6, San Antonio, we will be holding a city election to vote for Mayor and city council members. Also on the ballot is a very important Proposal amendment entitled the JUSTICE CHARTER nicknamed the Criminal Benefits Act. This 13 page document was written by an Austin based non-profit group founded by two radical attorneys. This is much more than a grass roots endeavor. It is a state wide, national progressive effort to undermine and demoralize our police officers and to dismantle our state's judicial system. This charter is written using misleading information and catch phrases that are meant to confuse voters and cover up their real intent.



One example of the way these activists have attempted to mislead voters is to demand to abolish no choke holds and no-knock warrants, which are already policies which exist and are being enforced. Another part of this proposal advocates that a thief can steal up to \$750 worth of your personal property or services and receive only a citation. Equally frightening, this Charter would create a new city position called the Justice Director who will have control over the hiring, firing, punishing and promotions of San Antonio police officers. In other words, our police officers would be working for the very people who want to weaken and eventually abolish them in favor of a liberal/leftist replacement.

If people want to see how a Justice Charter works, they should look at Austin, where they have such a city charter and crime is rampant. When you excuse, tolerate and reward bad behavior for any reason, including race and income, you have more and even worse behavior.

As law abiding citizens and businesses, we must speak up and oppose this charter amendment which will most definitely create more theft, assaults, and vandalism. We will begin to look more and more like San Francisco, Portland and Seattle.

Please talk with your friends, neighbors, churches and organizations to alert them to the Justice Charter on this ballot and help them to understand how important it is to the safety of our community to vote NO on the JUSTICE CHARTER!

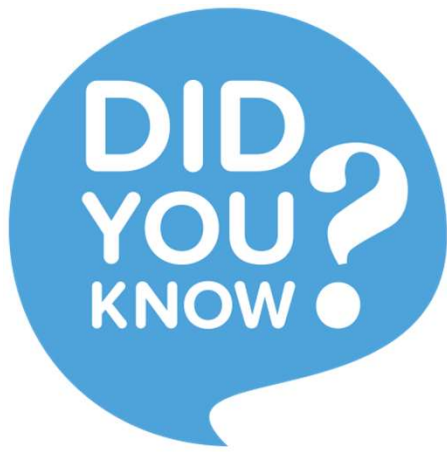
For more detailed information on the Justice Charter amendment please refer to Infuse SA and read the article written by David Moore, a retired Police Officer who has done extensive research on this Amendment proposal. Also you can read more by going to articles written by George Rodriguez, a frequent speaker with us, at GRodr3615@gmail.com

Carroll Ahearn, SARW Campaign Chair

DO NOT BE FOOLED! THIS IS THEIR LANGUAGE:

“A petition to amend the City Charter of San Antonio to adopt a justice policy that will reduce unnecessary arrests and save scarce public resources through a comprehensive set of reforms, including: ending enforcement of low-level marijuana possession; ending enforcement of abortion crimes; banning chokeholds; banning no-knock warrants; and encouraging citations instead of arrests for low-level nonviolent crimes.”

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Not one Democrat voted for the 14th or 15th Amendments!

The 13th Amendment abolished slavery, making all slaves free contributors to the country. The 14 Amendment granted citizenship to everyone born or naturalized in the United States therefore making all non-whites citizens. The 15th Amendment gave voting rights to all citizens including non-whites.

The 13th Amendment passed with 100% of the Republican vote and 21% of the Democratic vote. The 14 Amendment passed with 94% of Republicans voting for passage and 0% of Democrats. The 15th Amendment was passed by 100% of the Republican vote and 0% of the Democratic vote.

IMMIGRANT VISIT REFLECTION

A couple of weeks ago a few of us went to the Immigrant Center where we were given an overview of the facility and its daily operations. George Rodriguez and Bob Bishop shared their observations, personal experiences, future perspective.

The original owner, Paul Casey sold the building to FEMA in 2021 for the sum of four million dollars. FEMA followed this transaction by entering a contract with Catholic Charities for the purpose of administrating perceived required services for the newly arrived immigrants. The rental amount paid by Catholic Charities was reported to be \$130k per month.

The reported number of immigrants under the care of Catholic Charities is 700 to 1,000 individuals including minors. Each immigrant is given a cell phone. The purpose of the cell phone is to help US officials locate the immigrant in future processing. It also allows immigrants to communicate with family and possibly connect with family in the immediate area. If there are family members in the immediate area the immigrant is turned over to the family member.

Initially there was a 10 o'clock curfew which was dropped after administrators realized they had no control over the free-spirited individuals who had taken an unstructured journey. Immigrants live in an open environment with the area divided into two sections by gender. Each section is populated with cots and aluminum blankets for sleeping purposes. This facility is used by those immigrants deemed to be healthy. Those falling into the general category of illness are housed at the La Quinta Inn. The hotel continues to accept registered guest without disclosing the presence of the ill immigrants.

Immigrants have registered complaints! They informed Catholic Charities of their high opinion of the food provided by throwing the food into the dumpsters. They were generously given clothes which were also rejected in the same fashion. The solution was to give each immigrant a stipend. The exact amount was not provided but I understand that merchants in the area are complaining.

Crimes and prostitution to accommodate both genders were free flowing like a river formed by a great waterfall. It was reported that neighbors within walking distance occasionally had unwanted visitors. One single elderly female reported individuals repeatedly knocking on her door asking to enter her home and for food or other possessions. She is afraid to leave and live what would be a normal routine. With this knowledge and concerns for the safety of the neighbors more attempts were made to gain control of immigrant behaviors.

Immigrant length of stay limitations were imposed and attempts have been made to enforce the policy, however, some immigrants have remained beyond the three-day limitation.

We observed a few immigrants at work. One skilled with the ability to cut hair openly set up his outdoor shop and was very busy with his occupation. Others were pointed out and were providing lookout services. My only personal experience with one of the immigrants was having one of the lookouts call out to me when I unknowingly drove into the work area.

Articles from Selena Brooks, College Outreach Chair

"Chicks Having an Awesome Time"

Join us for some....

**GOOD FOOD, FUN,
FRIENDSHIP & DOOR PRIZES!!!**

Thursday, March 16th - 11:30am

La Fonda on Main

Please bring cash to pay for meal as separate billing per individual is not accepted .

Please RSVP to 210-492-2986



Reminder!! *** Time to Renew Your Membership ***
The SARW Membership Book is going to print!
All who wish to be listed in the book must renew prior to April 15, 2023!

The Republican Party of Bexar County
presents

**2023 Candidate
Meet & Greet**

Join us for food, drinks, and a casual
meet and greet with the mayoral, city
council, and school board candidates.

Free Admission* *Open to the Public

**Bring your concerns, ask your questions, and hear
directly from the candidates.**

**Bigz Burger (Dancehall):
5539 UTSA Boulevard, San Antonio, TX 78249**

SAT | March 11th | 2-6PM

Candidates please RSVP by emailing:
Edward Nino - activities@bexargop.org

EVENTS

Out & About

Life Choices Grand Opening Event

Christina, Alex, Allison, Ethan & Zayden Russell, Christine Nichol, Donna Russell & Diana Ridgway



Tom Nichol, Gabrielle Miglis, Christine Nichol, Sandra Murphy and Verna Quaranto



Verna Quaranto, Sandra Murphy Meet staff doctor at Life Choices



Diana Ridgway & Sandra Murphy



Mary Louise York and Cynthia Smith attend TFRW Legislative Day in Austin.



Sylvia Gartner with Congresswoman Monica De La Cruz, guest speaker at Wilson County Republican Party Lincoln Day Dinner

EVENTS

GM PHOTOS



BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!

If you haven't yet joined or renewed your membership for 2023, NOW IS THE TIME! We are currently compiling a directory listing of members and their contact information. Don't be left out!

Being a member provides an opportunity to build relationships with "like-minded" people! It is also having the ability to stay informed about current political events and elections. As a member, should you like to become involved, there are many things that count as "Volunteering", such as:

- Campaign Activities
- Block Walking
- Phone Banking
- Campaign events (forums, fundraisers, rallies)
- Poll Greeting
- Government Activism
- Legislative advocacy & local government advocacy
- Petitioning
- Sending Emails, faxes, etc.
- Participating in Club Activities

Membership Levels Available:

Active Membership or Renewals \$30.00

Active members receive all privileges of membership and may be asked to assist with volunteer work and fundraising.

Associate Membership \$25.00

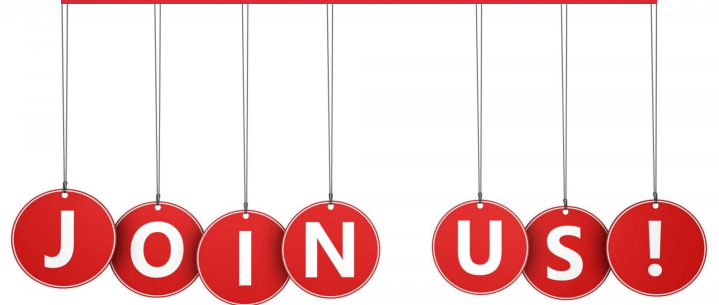
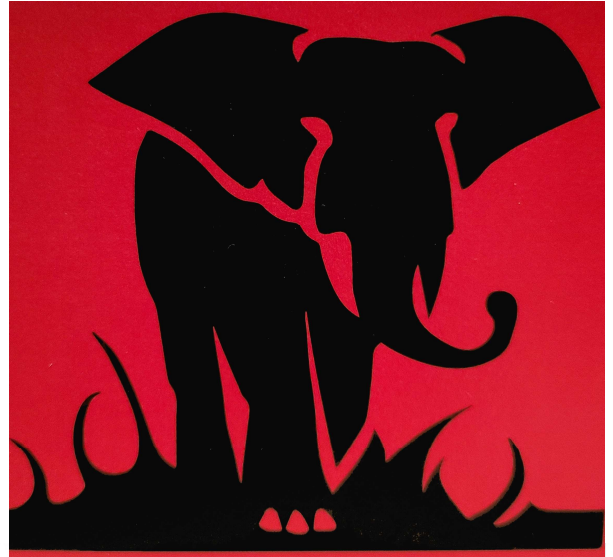
Associate membership is for women who are active members of another Republican club affiliated with the TFRW or men associated with the Republican Party.

Young Affiliate \$25.00

Young affiliate membership is for young women between the ages of thirteen and seventeen, and may serve on committees.

You may join at one of our monthly meetings, or go online (www.sarwclub.com) and process a membership form and payment, or mail a check. If you mail a check, please make checks payable to: **San Antonio Republican Women**. A membership form is available on the next page for your convenience.

Mail to:
San Antonio Republican Women
Treasurer
PO Box 700523
San Antonio, Texas 78270



JOIN NOW

Join Today!

San Antonio Republican Women Membership Form

Date _____

Name _____

Last

First

Middle

Spouse (if applicable)

Address _____

City _____

Texas

Zip _____

Birth date: _____

Month & Day

Home Phone _____

Cell _____

E-mail _____

SD _____

Occupation _____

Employer _____

Required for TFRW

Required information for PAC reporting

Membership

Active : \$30 (a woman whose primary club is SARW-- Voting member)

Associate - \$25 (a woman whose primary club is another Republican Women's club, or any man)

What is your primary club? _____

Young Affiliate - \$25 (a young woman age 13 through 17)

I would like to volunteer

Optional

SARW Magnetic Nametag - \$6 - Desired Name on Nametag _____

Mail your form and check to: SARW P.O. Box 700523, San Antonio, Texas 78270-0523

Please make check payable to: SARW

You may also fill out this form and payonline (at no extra cost) at: www.sarwclub.com

For Questions: Call Vicki Durst, 3rd VP Membership at 210-831-9342

**SARW is a member of the Texas Federation of Republican Women and the
National Federation of Republican Women**

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Want to know the latest and greatest? Check out our website daily to learn of upcoming events for the current month, or reach out to our editor for an article or photos you'd like to submit!

It is kept up-to-date with current information, including this new edition of the SARW Newsletter, "Trunk Times"! Find out who will be speaking at our next monthly meeting, read about the club's history and what we are about, as well as having the ability to log your volunteer hours directly through our website.

This website is about keeping our organization together and informed! We hope you enjoy your visit!

San Antonio Republican Women



GENERAL MEETINGS

Every Second Thursday of the month
January-May / September-December

11:00am - 1:00pm

(No meetings, June, July and August)

For more information email
sarwclub@yahoo.com

Reservations for the
FEBRUARY General meeting
are now available!

February General Meeting is an
Evening Event for the same price
as our Luncheon!

\$30.00 per person paid at the door or online!

[Click Here](#) to make your Reservation/s

Log Your Hours
WEEKLY!



The SARW Brochure



Log Your Volunteer Hours HERE!



SARW's Honorees at TFRW

Join our Facebook page today!

Visit the Republican Party of Bexar County

Organizations we support

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TFRW NUTS & BOLTS REGIONS XIII & XIV WORKSHOP

ALL TFRW CLUB MEMBERS ARE INVITED!

**SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2023
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
(Registration Starts at 9:30 AM)**

**Hays County Republican Party Welcome Center
6000 FM 150 Kyle, TX 78640 (Map attached)
Cost: \$25.00 Casual Attire**

PRESENTERS: Debra Harper, TFRW VP Bylaws; Corrine Miklosh, VP Campaign; Melanie Grammar, VP Membership; Susan Friedrich, Treasurer & Zenia Warren, VP Special Events



***** SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER! *****

RSVP to Sylvia Gartner at (210) 286-7609 or email at smgartner@hotmail.com
You may also mail your reservation form and check Payable to: CINDY PAYNE
at 177 Coral Cove, Spring Branch, TX 78070
Your reservation **MUST BE RECEIVED** by Friday, March 24, 2023

NAME _____
CLUB _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____
EMAIL _____
PHONE _____
OCCUPATION _____



TEXAS FEDERATION
of
Republican Women

TFRW 2023 Board Meetings:

April 15 - 2nd Quarter Board Meeting / Sheraton, Georgetown, TX

July 15 - 3rd Quarter Board Meeting / Courtyard by Marriott,
Austin-Pflugerville

TFRW 2023 CONVENTION:

October 12-14 ~ Irving Convention Center, Irving, TX

NFRW 2023 CONVENTION:

Sept. 28 - Oct. 1 ~ Oklahoma City, OK