

TRUNK TIMES

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Dear Members and Friends of SARW,

We started this year off with record-breaking cold temperatures and record-breaking rain amounts. So, let's keep up the trend with record-breaking voter turnout. Bexar County Primary Election Day is March 5th. Early voting is Tuesday, February 20th, through Friday, March 1st. We can all fit that into our schedule!



Christine Nichol, SARW President

Please vote. Get informed about the candidates, especially in races where more than one Republican is running for office. Do what you can to help support the campaign of a candidate that you want to see win. There is such a small voter turnout in Bexar County that if we all vote and get our like-minded friends and neighbors to vote, we can make a difference.

Guess what? It's Rodeo time! Our February 8th General Meeting is on the opening day of the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo. So, if you'd like, dust off your boots and hat and get in the Rodeo spirit by continuing our SARW tradition of dressing in western/rodeo attire at our February meeting. We might give Mary Louise some good photo ops!

Our keynote speaker this month, Dana Myers MD, Vice Chair, Republican Party of Texas, will be sharing information on the latest state issues and the upcoming Republican Party Convention. Come and hear what is going on in our Party.

*See you soon,
Christine*

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Voter Registration	OPEN
Women's Health	

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



February

Calendar of Events

- 1st RPT & BEXAR GOP
CANDIDATE PRIMARY DEBATE**
House District 121 and Bexar County
Commissioner's Court Pct 3
5:00 – 9:00 pm
Aggie Park, 6205 West Avenue
General Admission \$35.00
Reserved Tickets \$50.00
For information visit: bexargop.org
- 8th RPT & BEXAR GOP
CANDIDATE PRIMARY DEBATE**
Congressional District 23
5:00 – 9:00 pm
Aggie Park
- 8th SARW GENERAL MEETING**
11:00 am - 1:00 pm
Anne Marie's Event Center
12475 Starcrest
Meal Cost: \$35.00
RSVP (210) 410-7108
or [click HERE to RSVP online](#)
- 14th VALENTINE'S DAY**
- 19th PRESIDENT'S DAY**
- 20th FIRST DAY OF EARLY VOTING
FOR PRIMARY ELECTION**



Elsa Ezell – 3rd

Vickie Durst – 4th

Susanna Werts – 4th

Esther Cantu – 8th

Virginia Klingeman – 16th

Jean Parsons – 19th



GENERAL MEETING

THURSDAY ~ February 8th

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Anne Marie's

12475 Starcrest, San Antonio, TX 78216

Special Guest Speaker



Dr. Dana Myers

Vice Chair of the Republican Party of Texas
read more about Dr. Myers at www.sarwclub.com

Luncheon Cost: \$35.00

Deadline Date to RSVP: Noon on February 6th

RSVP and purchase online at: www.sarwclub.com

or call/text 210.260.1401 to

RSVP and pay at the door

Let's Rodeo
SARW!
*Wear your favorite
western attire!*

About our Speaker



Dana Myers M.D. Vice Chair, Republican Party of Texas

Dr. Dana Myers is a Medical Business Consultant for the health law firm Spiers Group. Dr. Myers works with a Texas-based investment and development group working to build a critical need medicine and saline bag manufacturing plant in Texas, rather than depending on China or other foreign countries. Myers received her medical degree from Boston University School of Medicine and completed her general surgery residency at the Michael E. DeBakey Department of Surgery, Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. Dr. Myers was an Associate Clinical Professor of Surgery and taught many surgery residents, medical students, and visiting medical and military medical personnel in the Texas Medical Center.

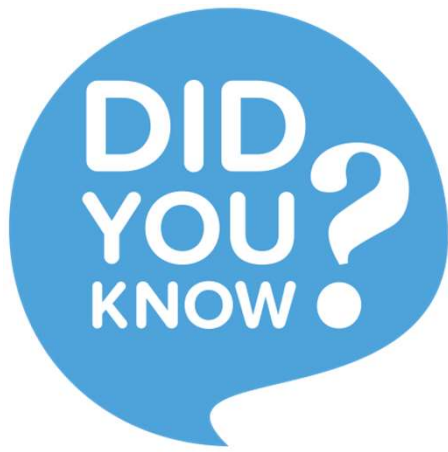
Dr. Myers is a two-term Vice-Chair of the Harris County Republican Party, VP Membership for the Texas Federation of Republican Women Executive Board (TFRW), past Regional Director for the Republican Party of Texas/TFRW Strike Force for Harris and the surrounding counties, past HCRP Co-Chair of Engagement, past RPT Communications Task Force member, and two-term President of Magic Circle Republican Women's Club in Houston.

Dr. Myers is married to Dr. Jon Spiers, a former Republican General Land Office Candidate, and is a longtime resident of Houston, Texas.

Dr Dana Myers was elected by the delegates at the Texas State Republican Convention in June of 2022 to be the new Vice Chairman of the Republican Party of Texas.

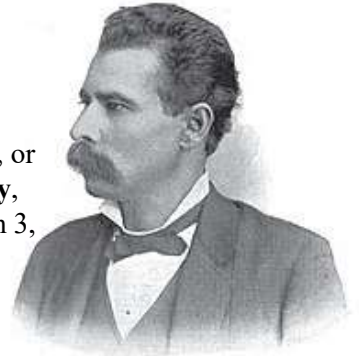
Through her proven leadership, Dr. Myers reorganized, streamlined, and increased transparency in the Harris County Republican party infrastructure during her first tenure as Vice-Chair while supporting and recruiting additional grassroots volunteers. During this time, Dr. Myers also served as the Regional Director of the Republican Party of Texas (RPT)/Texas Federation of Republican Women (TFRW) Voter Engagement Project effort to recruit volunteers from Harris and the seven surrounding counties to register new Republican voters. As part of this statewide effort, many of these volunteers later deployed to battleground districts in Texas during the midterm and general Presidential elections to help with GOTV efforts. This statewide project was responsible for almost 213,000 of the total 318,000 new Republican voter registrations, which managed to be the statistical vote difference to win four critical Texas Republican House seats. During her second and current term as Vice-Chair of the Harris County Republican Party under Chairman Siegel, Dr. Myers once again helped to build and rebrand the party to increase its community engagement, communication, and voter registration efforts. With her special interest in training, recruitment, and increasing Republican voter turnout, Dr. Myers led an additional effort to recruit, train, and mobilize county and precinct chairs, and volunteers, across Texas using the latest technology. As Vice Chair her goal is to continue to strengthen the party, build the party infrastructure to amplify grassroots voices and goals, and support the Chairman, party leadership, and the Republican party legislative priorities and platform.

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Did You Know? Over 90% of the Republican Party membership was Black Americans

Norris Wright Cuney, or simply **Wright Cuney**, (May 12, 1846 – March 3, 1898) was a Black American



Following the Civil War Blacks were so involved with a desire for self-reliance that they formed their own political parties. The Republican Party of Texas was an example. 150 Blacks and 20 whites met in Huston, Texas to form the first Republican Party of Texas. The party was also known as the Party of Mr. Lincoln. Over 90% of the Republican Party was Black. Texas had the first state run party. Noris Cuney of Galveston, Texas became the Republican Party chairman in 1883. Cuney was a great leader and is known to be one of the most powerful political leaders of the 19th century. Noris Cuney, a Black man led the Republican Party for 14 years.

July 4, 1867, is a day to celebrate. The celebration should be recognized as a day of independence for our state because it is the birthday of our great state party and a day of Self Reliance for Black Americans. This part of American history and Black history the GOP chose not to acknowledge. The Texas Republican Party lost its founding base, Black Americans. What happened to the 90% base that initiated the party?

The first Blacks to be voted into state leadership positions were republicans. There were 42 from Texas and the same results occurred in most of the southern states. South Carolina had 190 Blacks in its state legislature. Blacks knew the roles of living just as Texans did. The number one rule was work and work hard!

Texas was never a British colony. Self-Reliance was and is the base of our lifestyle. Texas fought hard. Six different flags flew over this state. Texans expected equality to be the baseline. Basically, the Texas republican guideline is -Get out of our way and let us earn our keep. Don't try to control us, work with us.

References: American History in Black and White
www.wallbuilders.com

Republican Overview and History www.texasgop.org/overview-and-history.com

Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Article by Selena Brooks



First Blacks in Congress - 1872 engraving. All are Republicans

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San Antonio Republican Women

P.O. Box 700523, San Antonio, TX 78270

www.sarwclub.com

Fern Burke Scholarship

In May of each year, the San Antonio Republican Women's Club grants a \$1000 Fern Burke Scholarship to a high school senior.

The scholarship is named in honor of Fern Burke, Club President 1996-1998, in recognition of her outstanding involvement and passion for GOP principles and programs. SARW grants the scholarship based on grades, SAT/ACT scores, an essay submission, involvement in any honors class participation, school award(s) received, school activities, school academic recommendations, character references, volunteer work and activities, and Republican Party activities.

The recipient is selected by the Scholarship Committee. The application deadline is March 31, 2024. Please mail the completed application to:

SARW Scholarship Committee
4530 Western Pine Woods
San Antonio TX 78249

Thank you for your participation!

SARW FERN BURKE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____

Parents Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

High School: _____

Grades: _____

SAT/ACT SCORES: _____

Honors Class Participation: _____

School Awards Received: _____

School Activities: _____

One Page Essay: "Why I Love America" (please attach document)

Academic Recommendations: _____

Character References: _____

Volunteer Work: _____

Any Republican Party/Conservative Activities: _____

Do you consider yourself a Republican/Conservative? _____

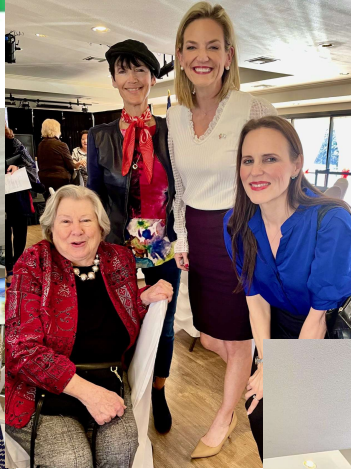
Have you applied to any colleges/universities and/or been accepted? If so, to which?

Signature of Applicant

Date

EVENTS

January GM



A special "Thank You" to Mary Louise York for all photos provided!

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EVENTS

Out & About

TRUMP (Impersonator)
visits small gathering!



BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!

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

P.O. Box 700523, San Antonio, TX 78270

www.sarwclub.com

SARW Membership Form

Date: _____

Name: _____ Spouse (if applicable): _____
Last First Middle

Address: _____

City: _____, TX Zip: _____ - Birth date: _____
Month & Day

Phone: Home _____ Cell _____

Email address: _____

SARW Newsletter will be sent via email, unless you do not have email. Special accommodations can be made, please ask.

Occupation _____ Employer _____
Required information for PAC reporting

or Retiree of _____

Senate District (SD) # _____ Congressional District (CD) # _____ Precinct # _____

Are you a Registered Voter? YES _____ NO _____

Membership: New or Renewal (circle one and then select one of the three membership types below)

_____ -Primary \$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 aged 13 through 17)

_____ SARW Magnetic Name Tag - \$6. Desired Name on Name Tag: _____

Referred by: _____

Please make checks payable to: SARW

Mail to: SARW, P.O. 700523, San Antonio, TX 78270-0523

For Information Contact: Susan Allick, VP Membership (210) 421-5539

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

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CONTRIBUTIONS ARE NOT TAX DEDUCTIBLE AS CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR FEDERAL INCOME PURPOSES CONTRIBUTIONS FROM
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General Meetings

Every Second Thursday
of the month
January-May & September-December
at Anne Marie's
12475 Starcrest Dr.
SA, TX 78216
11:00am -1:00pm
(No meetings, June, July and August)
For more information email
sarwclub@yahoo.com

[Contact Us / click here to send us an email](#)

San Antonio Republican Women
PO Box 700523

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 have the ability to log your volunteer hours directly through our website.

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

THERE IS A DIFFERENCE! REPUBLICAN vs DEMOCRAT

✓	Small Business Job Creation	X
✓	Religious Freedom	X
✓	School Choice	X
✓	Protecting the Unborn	X
✓	Lower Taxes	X
✓	Border Security & Fighting Crime On The Border	X

National Platform Comparison