



TRUNK TIMES

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Hello SARW Members & Associates!

As we approach our, much needed, summer break, we'd love to stay in touch! Keep an eye out for SARW emails and newsletters. More than likely, there will be election runoff information following our May 3rd municipal elections, so we must stay involved to ensure the best possible outcome!



Christine Nichol, SARW President

There will be announcements from Membership Vice President, Terry Carpenter, about this summer's C.H.A.T. (*Chick's Having an Awesome Time*) events, and from Ways and Means Vice President, Sylvia Gartner, about our fall fundraiser. There will also be fun volunteer opportunities presented to help "*Meant to Soar*" heal wounded children.

Communications should be a two-way street, so, please submit articles and photos to our Trunk Times newsletter at sarwclub@yahoo.com, (deadline date for submissions is the 20th of each month). This can be about any information and/or events that you would like to share with our SARW members. Submissions are most welcome and appreciated.

I look forward to seeing you at some of these events and hope you all enjoy a wonderful summer!

See you soon, Christine



SARW 2024 OFFICERS & COMMITTEES

President	Christine Nichol / SARW.President@gmail.com
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Immediate	
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Appointed Officers and Board Members

Campaign Chair	OPEN
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Voter Registration	OPEN
Women's Health	

**Are You Interested
in being part of
the change that
improves our City?
Join as a Board Member
and help us
Make San Antonio
GREAT!
See our "Open" positions
Contact: Christine at
210.410.7108**

MAY

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
			1 SARW LUNCHEON Anne Maries 12475 Starcrest 11AM – 1PM	2	3 MAY 3 - ELECTION DAY (Municipal)	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11 Mother's Day
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 Memorial Day	27	28	29	30	31	

UPCOMING CALENDAR EVENTS:

MID-MAY – TFRW CONVENTION REGISTRATION OPENS – MORE INFO TO COME

JUNE 3rd – EARLY VOTING RUNOFF ELECTION

JUNE 29th – REPUBLICAN PARTY OF BEXAR COUNTY – Hall of Fame Dinner

AUGUST – SARW Summer Spectacular Fundraiser – more info to come!

SEPTEMBER 25-28 - NFRW CONVENTION in Orlando, Florida

OCTOBER 21-25 - TFRW CONVENTION, Grand Hyatt Hotel, San Antonio, TX

GENERAL MEETING
THURSDAY ~ MAY 1, 2025

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Anne Marie's

12475 Starcrest, San Antonio, TX 78216

Special Guest Speaker



“BulldoGEing The Swamp”

**Debbie Georgatos, RNC Committeewoman for Texas and host of radio show,
“America, Can We Talk?”, Speaker, Author, Attorney**

Luncheon Cost: \$35.00

RSVP by 12:00pm ~ April 28, 2025

**RSVP and purchase online at: www.sarwclub.com
or call/text 210.867-4412 to
RSVP and pay at the door**



Chicks Having an Awesome Time

Coming this summer!





Save the Date

October 23-25, 2025

Texas Federation of Republican Women

★★★★★ *35th Biennial Convention* ★★★★★

Grand Hyatt, San Antonio, TX

HOTEL RESERVATIONS AVAILABLE NOW

POLITICAL AD PAID FOR BY TEXAS FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN PAC

CONVENTION REGISTRATION WILL OPEN MID MAY 2025

**ALL REGISTRATIONS WILL BE MADE ON ANEDOT – NO MAIL IN REGISTRATIONS OR
ON-SITE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE**

Early Bird Registration \$195.00 – Ends July 31

Regular Registration \$250.00 – August 1 thru September 30

Late Registration \$325.00 – October 1 thru October 10

HOTEL RESERVATIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

Grand Hyatt

600 E Market Street, San Antonio, Texas

[Directions/Map](#)

(Hotel is a Cashless Hotel. Only Credit/Debt Cards are accepted.)

HOTEL Reservations can be [MADE HERE](#).

Available Sponsorships are located [HERE](#).

Sponsorship Form is available [HERE](#)

EVENTS

FIESTA OLE' 2025



King & Queen of Fiesta Ole' 2025 ~
Carolyn Besselman and Neil Smith



Winner of Fiesta Ole' First Annual
Commemorative Art piece
Neil Smith with
artist ~ Donna Russell



Winner of Summer Bouquet
Jenny Sutherland

EVENTS



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Photos: 1: Neil & Loretta Smith and Jenny Sutherland; 2: Susanna Moshenek & Steven Stanley; 3: Kate Blair & Jackie Fisher; 4: Yvonne Perez, Becky Perez, Dawn Hartman, Patsy Torres, Sylvia Gartner & Mary Louise York; 5: Susanna Moshenek & Cynthia Smith; 6: John Messenger, Judge Kevin Yeary, Sylvia Gartner & Judge Gina Parker.

EVENTS



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Photos: 1: Patsy Torres & Debbie Orsatti; 2: Larry & Terry Carpenter; 3: Elizabeth Nolan & Donna Russell; 4: Deb Wall, Carolyn Besselman, Carl Van De Walle, Sylvia Gartner, Sally Theil & Jan Hunt; 5: Becky Perez; 6: Michelle & Bill Newman; 7: Mary Louise York & Judge Kevin Yeary

EVENTS



Photos: 1: Linda Holland, Diana Ridgway & Sandra Murphy; 2: Lorenza & Tom Sandusky; 3) Sylvia Gartner, Patsy Torres & Christine Nichol; 4) Kathleen Zurlo & Cynthia Struse; 5: Donna Russell, Carolyn Besselman & Jan Hunt; 6: Linda Holland, Jennifer Mery & Donna Cude

EVENTS



Photos: 1: Neil & Loretta Smith; 2) Kathleen Zurlo; 3: Becky & Yvonne Perez; 4) Christine Nichol, Sylvia Gartner, Jan Hunt, Carolyn Besselman & Patsy Torres; 5: Stephen & Cynthia Smith ; 6: Sylvia Gartner & Yvonne Perez; 7: Sylvia Gartner, Judge Kevin Yeary & Verna Quaranto

EVENTS

Out & About

ON THE
CAMPAIGN TRAIL



Donna Russell & Myrtle Parks



Charlotte Folson



Paula Moore, Kathy Zurlo, Ann Weesner and Sandra Trevino attend a panel discussion to support panelist Elsa Ezell.



Chris & Sylvia Gartner



District 10 Fiesta Party 2025
Bob & Myrtle Parks, Clayton Perry,
Rosalie Pecina & Donna Russell



District 10 Fiesta Party 2025
Lee High School Mariachi Band,
Donna Russell & Sylvia Lent

SARW Membership



RENEW OR BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!

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



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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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



Religious
Freedom



School Choice



Protecting the
Unborn



Lower Taxes



Border Security &
Fighting Crime
On The Border



National Platform Comparison