



TRUNK TIMES

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Dear Members and Friends of SARW,

When we meet for our March 14th General Meeting, the Primaries will be over. Don’t get caught off guard- if you didn’t participate in early voting before the March 1 deadline, be sure to vote on Tuesday March 5th. Every vote counts, especially since Republican turnout is so low. We really can make a difference just by voting for our candidates **all the way down the ballot**. Changes start at the local level and we need **lots** of changes in Bexar County. Please vote and support our candidates.



Christine Nichol, SARW President

Ways and Means VP, Sylvia Gartner, and her committee have planned a fabulous Fiesta Ole’ fundraiser party on Thursday, April 4th at Alamo Cafe to kick off Fiesta. It will replace our April General Meeting. You will get reminders but, please mark your calendars accordingly - RSVP to attend Ole’ SARW and have a great time supporting our candidates AND remember that we will not have a General Meeting on April 11th.

Don’t miss our March 14th meeting. It promises to be special. Our keynote speaker, Luke Macias, is a conservative political consultant and blogger. His post-primary comments are sure to be interesting and provocative. And, our second speaker, Cassie Daniel Howell, President of Capitol Republican Women, will bring joy and laughter as she speaks and performs stand up comedy about the Republican Party Convention. I look forward to **seeing** you all there!

Christine

NEWSLETTER TREASURE HUNT

In this month’s issue, you will find words throughout the newsletter written in “**PINK**” write them all down (do not include the word PINK!) and find the correct phrase. Write that phrase and your name on a piece of paper and bring to **Donna Russell** as you arrive at the GM. If your answer is correct, you’ll be entered into the drawing to choose a **jewelry treasure** (earrings, necklace or purse charm – only!) from our SARW jewelry table. **Happy Hunting!**

SARW 2024 OFFICERS & COMMITTEES

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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!



Calendar of Events

1st Last Day of Early Voting

5th Republican Primary Election Day

5th Precinct Convention

6th SARW Board Meeting

10th Daylight Savings Time

14th SARW General Meeting

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Anne Marie's Event Center

12475 Starcrest

Meal Cost: \$35.00

RSVP (210) 867-4412

or [click HERE to RSVP online](#)

16th Bexar GOP BBQ & Clay Shoot Fundraiser

23rd All Texas State District Conventions

24th Palm Sunday

31st Easter Sunday

SAVE THE DATE!

APRIL 4TH SARW "FIESTA OLE" FUNDRAISER!



Linda Holland – 7th

Patricia Hodge – 10th

Donna Armstrong – 10th

Janet Atkins – 15th

Maria Campa – 15th

Esther Cantu – 16th

Richard Fisher – 17th

Katherine Davidson – 21st

Ruby Casteel – 25th

Carol Ahearn – 30th



GENERAL MEETING

THURSDAY ~ March 14th

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Anne Marie's

12475 Starcrest, San Antonio, TX 78216

Special Guest Speakers



Luke Macias,
Head of a conservative political
consulting firm and host of
the Luke Macias Radio Show



Cassie Daniel Howell
Chief of Staff for State Representative
Cindy Noble

Luncheon Cost: \$35.00

Deadline Date to RSVP: Noon on March 13th

RSVP and purchase online at: www.sarwclub.com

or call/text 210.867-4412 to

RSVP and pay at the door

About our Speakers



Luke Macias

Head of conservative political consulting firm and host of the Luke Macias Radio Show

Luke got into politics through his Dad who was an elected State Representative for 2 years **when** the moderate establishment Republicans decided to spend hundreds of thousands of dollars to take him out of office. Luke learned quickly that being conservative was costly in politics and loves working to empower conservatives to win elections, and fight for conservative policy solutions for Texas. If he's not working he's spending time with multiple church ministries as well as his family (He has 6 siblings).

Cassie Daniel Howell is Chief of Staff for State Representative Candy Noble while also serving her seventh term as President of Capitol RW which she helped create as District Director. She is a member of the Williamson County Young Republicans. Previously, Cassie served as President of two other TFRW Clubs & as a Precinct Chair in Randall & Williamson counties. Cassie is also a small business owner and health coach.



Cassie Daniel Howell

Chief of Staff for State Representative Cindy Noble

She has served on TFRW's Board of Directors for over a decade in various positions, currently as Chair of Leadership Development and the 40 Under 40 Committee. Cassie loves to bring joy and laughter as she speaks, trains, and performs stand-up comedy around the state to republican groups.

Cassie was elected as delegate numerous times to the TFRW convention & RPT convention. She has served on the State Organization Committee & as SD 24 Caucus Chair and was elected Alternate-At-Large to the 2012 RNC National Convention.

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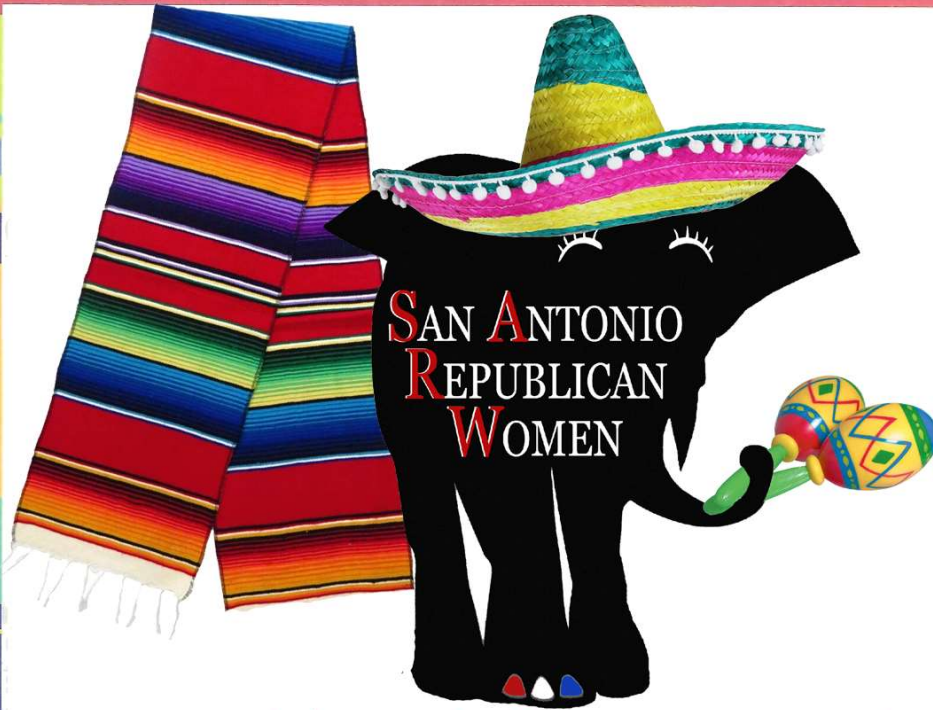
Shout Outs!



CONGRATULATIONS to SARW member Marialyn Barnard! Marialyn, a former interim Bexar County Commissioner and Justice on the 4th Court of Appeals was appointed by Texas Governor Greg Abbott as the new judge of San Antonio's 73rd Judicial District Court Thursday, February 15th. She will serve in this position through the end of 2024. We appreciate Marialyn's commitment, extensive experience as an attorney and judge, and her involvement in community service and volunteer work. SARW is extremely honored to have her as a

SARW Ladies at
"Friends of Hospice"
Fundraiser.





SARW's 1st Annual FIESTA OLE'

THURSDAY, APRIL 4th 6:00 - 9:00 pm
Alamo Cafe 14250 San Pedro

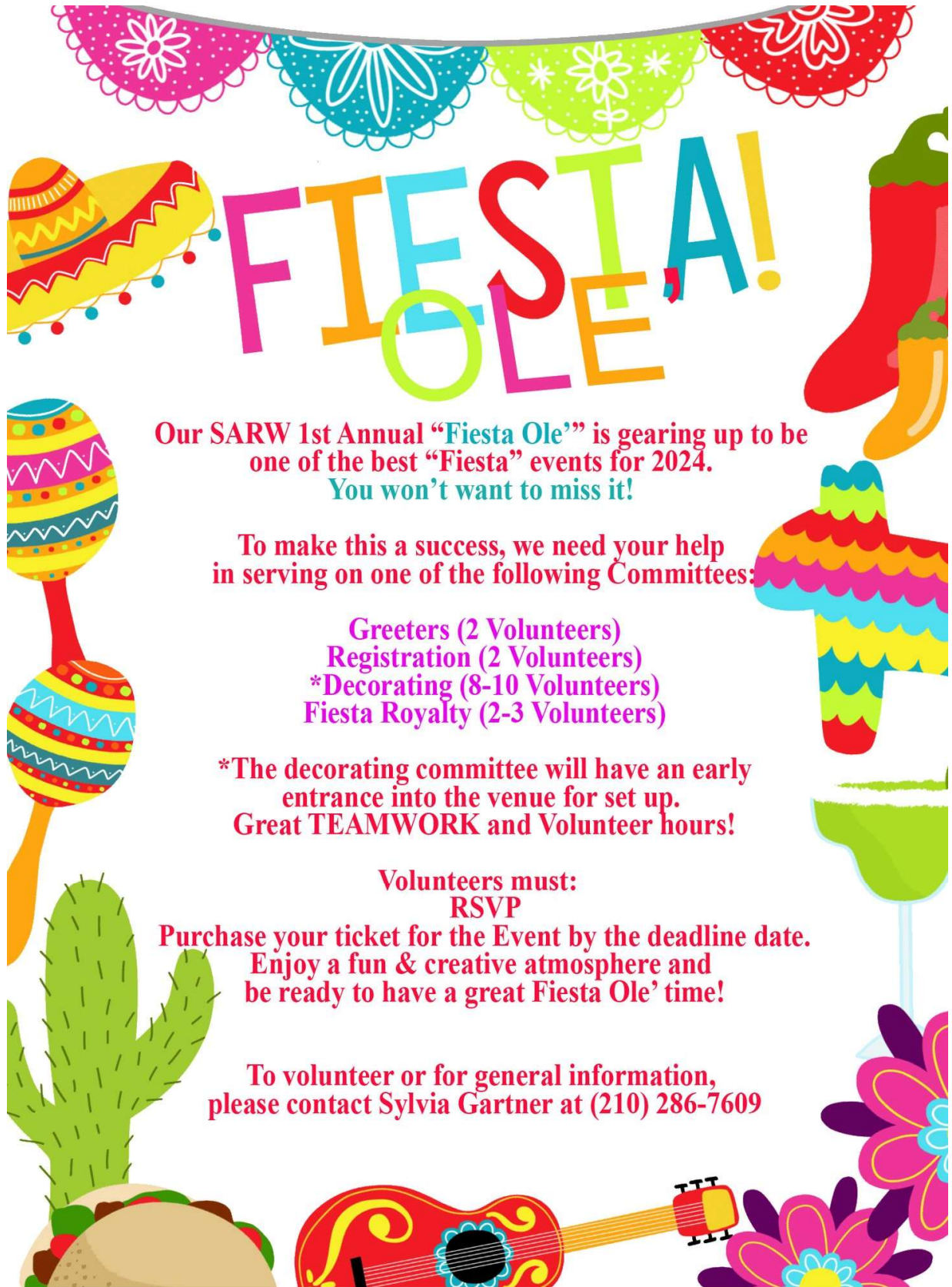
\$50 PER PERSON
includes Dinner & Entertainment / cash bar available

Fiesta attire optional
SARW will also be crowning their 1st Fiesta King & Queen

How to RSVP & Purchase Tickets:
To RSVP & Pay Online: www.sarwclub.com/fiesta-ole-2024
To RSVP & Mail a check: www.sarwclub.com/rsvp-fiesta-2024

For Questions or More Information contact,
Sylvia Gartner at 210-286-7609

We Need Your Help!



FIESTA! OLE!

Our SARW 1st Annual “Fiesta Ole” is gearing up to be one of the best “Fiesta” events for 2024. You won’t want to miss it!

To make this a success, we need your help in serving on one of the following Committees:

- Greeters (2 Volunteers)
- Registration (2 Volunteers)
- *Decorating (8-10 Volunteers)
- Fiesta Royalty (2-3 Volunteers)

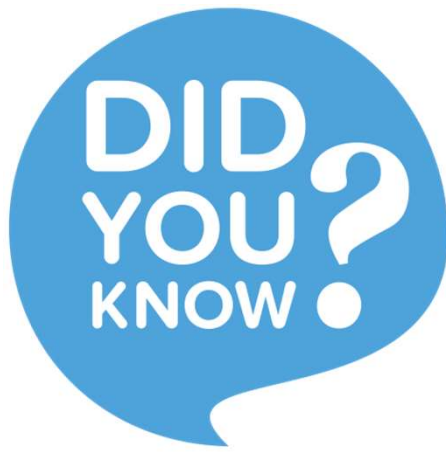
*The decorating committee will have an early entrance into the venue for set up. Great TEAMWORK and Volunteer hours!

Volunteers must:
RSVP

Purchase your ticket for the Event by the deadline date. Enjoy a fun & creative atmosphere and be ready to have a great Fiesta Ole’ time!

To volunteer or for general information, please contact Sylvia Gartner at (210) 286-7609

P.S. - No secret words on this page!



Texas flew the United States Flag before it flew The Confederate Flag (1861-1865)

Between 1861 and 1865, the Confederate flag flew over Texas, as it was a state in the Confederate States of America.



The new Republic of Texas lasted approximately 10 years. The novice nation encountered several issues. The new independent Texas gained enemies it hadn't perceived as major in the past. Mexico and the Native Americans gave **them** little peace and its major issue was working capital. Texas couldn't convince other nations to loan it money. As a final survival attempt Texans turned their efforts toward annexation to the United States.

Annexation would not be easy for Texas due to its support of slavery and the attitude of Great Britain. Great Britain was trying to limit US expansion to the west and the annexation of Texas would expand slavery in the nation. Great Britain's negative push against Texas' annexation resulted in the American aggressive push to allow it. Therefore, Texas was annexed to the United States of America.

Finally, as time passed and economic disputes erupted, Texas along with other slave holding southern states seceded from the United States of America. The governor, Sam Houston, opposed the succession and refused to take the oath of allegiance to the Confederacy. As a slave holding state Texas became a member of the Confederate States of America. Thus, Texas earned its sixth flag to be flown over its soil.



The United States Flag
(1866 – Present)

Article by Selena Brooks

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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



KNOW THE SIGNS OF DEMENTIA / ALZHEIMERS and How to Communicate with someone with Alzheimer's Disease

Early Detection Matters:

1. Memory changes that disrupt daily life (early signs forgetting recently learned information).
2. Challenges in planning or solving problems (Difficulty concentrating or taking longer to complete a task).
3. Difficulty completing familiar tasks (Complete daily tasks: driving familiar area, managing their budget).
4. Confusion with time or place: (Cannot remember appointment(s) or location).
5. New problems with words in speaking or writing (May have trouble following a conversation or joining in a conversation). They may repeat themselves. Trouble finding the right words.
6. Misplacing things and losing the ability to retrace steps (Placing things in unusual areas). Often accuse others of stealing and re-occurs more often.
7. Decrease or poor judgement (Demonstrate unusual changes in judgement or decision-making).
8. Withdraw from work or social activities (They remove themselves from family, hobbies or sports).

Helping someone communicate takes patience and understanding. Here are some Suggestions:



1. Be calm, **nice** and supportive. Maintain eye contact and use touch to reassure them. Show them, don't tell them, that you are listening.
2. Show your interest in what he/she is saying or feeling.
3. Pay attention to their voice/gestures for clues to what they are feeling. Sometimes, their emotions are more important than she they are trying to say.
4. If you do not understand what they are trying to say, encourage them to point or gesture.
5. If they cannot find a word, they may be less frustrated if **you** offer a guess.
6. If they use the wrong word, and you know what they mean, supply the correct word. If this upsets them, do not correct future mistakes!
7. Do not try to get them to explain as this may make them more upset. If possible just go along with what they are saying or agree with them - less agitated.
8. Approach the person from the front but some may feel more comfortable if you talk from a handshake distance away.
9. Keep confusion, distraction and noise to a minimum.
10. Always start out identifying yourself and address the person by name to get their attention.
11. Speak slowly and distinctly. Use a lower voice pitch to convey sense of calm.
12. Pay attention to your tone of voice. A person with Dementia/Alzheimer can sense your emotions. Limit the number of "don't) and avoid harsh or direct orders.
13. For the **most** part, confrontation may make the situation worse or get the person "worked up."
14. Your observation and sensitivity will make a big difference. A hug or kiss can express affection. Remember: Treat the person with dignity and respect as it may mean the world to them.

For more information or ideas on how you can help, visit www.alz.com. The Alzheimer Association provides so much information about the "Stages" of Alzheimer. They also list the Support Groups throughout Texas for family members to attend **FREE!** The support from other families going through this disease with their loved ones can provide "insight" on how they have handled their "loved one" and also received support from outside Speakers.

We need to keep on Congress to provide more "funding" for research....there is NO CURE at this time but new medications can be helpful for the level of the disease (7 stages). The information listed was provided by the Alzheimer Association whom I work very closely with for my updated training working with families who have a loved one with this terrible disease.

Brenda Dever-Armstrong, CEO/Owner/Senior Advisor
The Next Horizon Seniors & Military (Veterans/Spouses) Advocate/Resources/Services/Locator (nation-wide)
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Email: deverb@att.net
www.nexthorizonlocators.com

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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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CORPORATIONS, LABOR UNIONS AND FOREIGN NATIONALS ARE PROHIBITED.



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