



TRUNK TIMES

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Happy New Year my friends!

Thank you for your generous Christmas gift card donations for USO members. After the December meeting, they were taken to Joint Base San Antonio/Ft Sam Houston to be given to military members in appreciation for their service



Christine Nichol, SARW President

The Scholarship Committee has made extensive efforts to publicize our Fern Burke Scholarship in San Antonio schools. Scholarship Chair Selena Brooks will be giving an update on their efforts and start collecting funds for our next scholarship winner at the January meeting. If you have family members or friends that will be graduating seniors on the way to college this year, please encourage them to apply for the scholarship. It would be wonderful to have some candidates that are friends or relatives. If you haven't already renewed your membership for 2025, now is the time! We want to make sure that you continue to get the Trunk Times newsletter, our monthly General Meeting invitation, and periodic email notices and information. Also, we have lots of fabulous new members that you need to get to know! The board is working to make 2025 another great year for SARW. Ways & Means VP Sylvia Gartner will soon be getting the word out about our second Fiesta Ole' in April and our annual fall fundraiser. Be sure to put our second Thursday luncheons on your calendar. We already have an exciting line up of speakers for this spring. January's speaker is Debbie Georgatos, RNC Committeewoman for Texas and host of the radio show "America, Can We Talk?" Looking forward to a wonderful year!

Christine



SARW 2024 OFFICERS & COMMITTEES

President	Christine Nichol / Christine.Nichol@sbcglobal.net
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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**



JANUARY 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 SARW GM 11AM – 1PM Anne Marie's	10	11
12	13	14 Texas Legislative Session begins 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Texas Capitol 1100 Congress Ave. Austin, TX	15	16	17	18 TFRW Board Mtg. @ Sheraton in Georgetown San Antonio March for Life @ Main Plaza 12:30PM
19	20 Presidential Inauguration Washington, DC	21	22	23	24	25 Texas Rally for Life 1:00-4:00 pm Texas Capitol 1100 Congress Ave. Austin, TX
26	27	28	29	30	31	

SAVE THE 2025 DATE:

FEBRUARY 15 - TFRW ABC's of Learning, 10:00 am-3:00 pm, The Inn of the Hills, Kerrville

MARCH 20-21 - TFRW LEGISLATIVE DAY at AT&T Center, Austin, TX

APRIL 3 - SARW 2nd Annual Fiesta Ole'

SEPTEMBER 25-28 - NFRW CONVENTION in Orlando, Florida

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

GENERAL MEETING
THURSDAY ~ January 9th

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Anne Marie's

12475 Starcrest, San Antonio, TX 78216

Special Guest Speaker

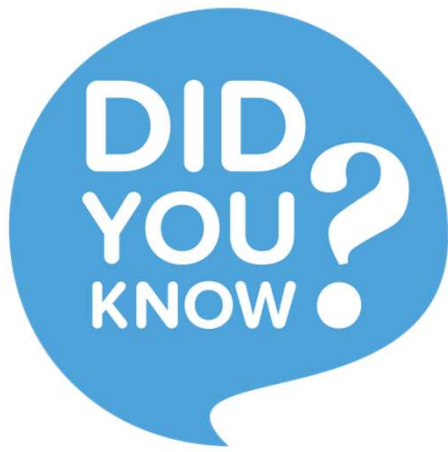


**Debbie Georgatos, RNC Committeewoman for Texas
and host of radio show, "America, Can We Talk?"**

Luncheon Cost: \$35.00

RSVP by 12:00pm ~ January 7, 2025

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



Donald Trump Didn't Win Bexar County?

The 2024 election was a joy for the Republican Party. Candidate Donald John Trump endured the equivalent of a hellacious campaign. A novice politician would have expected better. As a new entrant onto the Texas political scene. I had many questions. The greatest question was how are we going to campaign for such a noble candidate?

National support was evident, however Donald John Trump had little to no local organized support. Looking at the party's local effort on his behalf caused me to be a doubter. I developed a personal strategy to demonstrate candidate support. Checking in with others at the party generated additional confusion for me mostly because of my neophyte status.

A review of election results showed the overall effect of the national campaign. Trump won the electoral college and the popular vote. He even won the state of Texas' 40 electoral votes by winning 56.3% of the state's general vote. Winning 242 of the state's counties and flipping a county to red which had been blue since 1892.

However, 54.26% of the votes in Bexar County went for democratic candidate Harris. Trump didn't win Bexar County!!! What did we do wrong? Or is it more of what we didn't do right? Could it have been we neglected to follow the strategy used by the other counties? Or was it that we chose to do nothing and left the results to the others?

Looking for help in all the wrong places?

The Texas Tribune

<https://www.kens5.com/>

<https://www.statesman.com/>



EVENTS

December GM

We had a fun Christmas Party at our SARW Luncheon last month, we played many rounds of TRUMP Bingo, had a wonderful visit from Mr. and Mrs. Claus, and had the installation of our 2025 Officers!



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TFRW President Zenia Warren & Board in San Antonio to meet with TFRW 2025 Convention Chair, Carol Van De Walle and Co-Chair, Sylvia Gartner.



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 Womens' 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, and 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!

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www.sarwclub.com

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

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



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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

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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 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