

GTRW GAZETTE

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TFRW Region 6
TX SEN District 3
TX SEN District 4



May 30 - Memorial Day

MONDAY, MAY 2, 2022

11:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

**ELEGANTE' HOTEL BALLROOM
BEAUMONT, TEXAS**

Featuring:

BRANDON CREIGHTON

TEXAS STATE SENATOR - DISTRICT 4

**“What’s in Store for Texas Elections
and the 2023 Legislative Session”**

PLUS: LA-TEE-DA STYLE SHOW

R Due Sunday, April 24, 6 p.m.
S Online @ gtrepublicanwomen.org/speaker/
V Checks must arrive by Monday, April 25:
P GTRW, P.O. Box 12902, Beaumont, TX 77726

*PLEASE Fill Out Your 2022 Membership
Applications while you're on our website!*

**ENCOURAGE YOUR FRIENDS AND
RELATIVES TO JOIN GTRW!**

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CALENDAR

- April 4 - GTRW Luncheon Meeting
- April 15 - Good Friday
- April 16 - Passover
- April 17 - Easter
- April 21 - San Jacinto Day - Fly Your Flag! 
- April 25 - Early Voting Begins for May 7 Texas
Constitutional Amendments Election
GTRW Executive Board Meeting, 4 p.m.
- May 2 - GTRW Luncheon Meeting
- May 3 - Early Voting Ends
- May 7 - TX Constitutional Amendments Election Day
- May 8 - Mother's Day
- May 16 - GTRW Exec Board Meeting, 4 p.m.
- May 16 - Early Voting Begins for May 24
Republican Primary Runoff
- May 22 - Early Voting Ends
- May 24 - Republican Primary Runoff Election
- May 30 - Memorial Day - Fly Your
Flag Half-staff 
- June 6 - GTRW Luncheon Meeting
RSVPs due Sunday, May 29, 6 p.m.
- June 14 - Flag Day - Fly Your Flag! 
- June 16 - 18 - Republican Party of TX Convention
- June 19 - Father's Day
- June 20 - GTRW Exec Board Meeting, 4 p.m.
- July 4 - Independence Day - Fly Your Flag! 
- July 11 - GTRW Luncheon Meeting

Dear Members of GTRW:

I truly cannot believe it is already Spring 2022 and I'm writing my first letter to you for our newsletter. In December, when Governor Abbott swore me in as GTRW President with 360 people in attendance, I was overwhelmed by how much our organization has developed over the years. Given our collective energy and enthusiasm, it is well within our grasp to be able to create the "Model" Republican Women's Club!

In a time where Republicans see so much in our nation that is discouraging, I say, "Let's get to work." It is "for such a time as this" that we were created — to be strong women who CAN and WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE in Jefferson County and our great STATE OF TEXAS.

We have elections to win and, in order to accomplish that, we MUST PROTECT THE INTEGRITY OF THE VOTE. Cindy Dishman has done a wonderful job in leading GTRW and other local clubs in training classes to secure Voter Integrity. We must continue on this path so that November will bring a Red Tide to our county and state.

As we celebrate Passover and the Easter season each year with love, hope and bountiful blessings, we carry this spirit into our community involvement. Our Caring for America Chair Danielle Faraci has volunteered the services of GTRW to work in the Survivor booth for Relay for Life and the Boys' Haven Annual Crawfish Boil. Geraldine Lapham is working diligently with Buckner's in providing books for foster children. Our ladies are truly involved in our communities.

Now, not only do we work, Ladies, but we have a lot of fun, too! Our Membership Chair Elaine Henderson has already hosted a CHAT ("Chicks Having an Awesome Time") at El Viejo Tony Bar and Grill and is planning a wine tasting CHAT. Her main interest in hosting all of these events is maintaining our No. 1 status in membership.

Another Plus: Our membership drive comes with great rewards! GTRW is giving a \$500 prize to the GTRW member who signs up the most members during the month of April. And there's a 2-night stay in Houston for the GTRW member who signs up the most members in May. (I can see some fun times ahead for a couple of Golden Triangle Republican Women!)

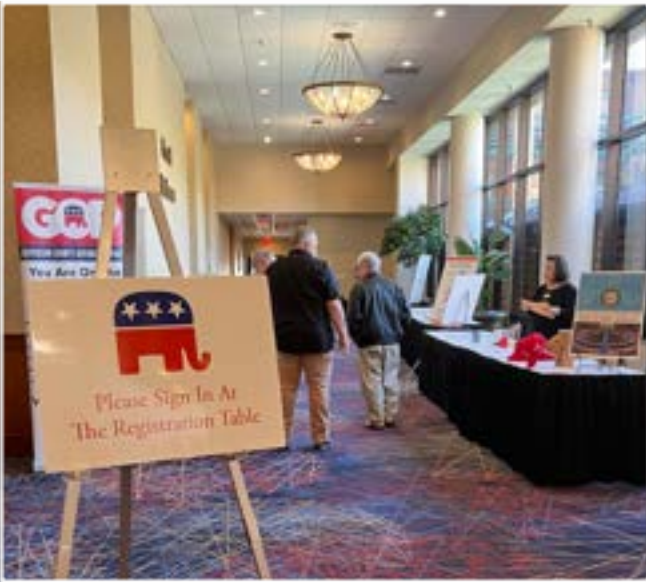
Additionally, we are mailing 600+ postcards to area Republican women primary voters who have not yet joined a Republican Women's Club. A special thanks to TFRW for providing all the necessities for this mailing.

In closing, thank you so very much for bestowing upon me the honor of serving you in this great organization. With all of these engaging activities, we can once again attain No. 1 in Membership of all the Republican Women's Clubs in the Great State of Texas —



**AND TOGETHER, WE WILL MAKE A
DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY AND STATE!**

*Sincerely,
Linda Brown
GTRW President*



Constitutional Amendment Order for May 7, 2022 Election

AUSTIN — January 26, 2022 — Texas Deputy Secretary of State Joe Esparza today drew the ballot order for the two proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution that will appear on the ballot for the May 7, 2022 Election. In order to appear on the ballot, the proposed amendments must be approved by at least two-thirds of the members of both the Texas Senate and the Texas House of Representatives.

Texans will have the opportunity to approve the following amendments with a majority vote:

PROPOSITION 1 (SJR 2 - 87th Legislature, 2nd Special Session)

“The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for the reduction of the amount of a limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for general elementary and secondary public school purposes on the residence homestead of a person who is elderly or disabled to reflect any statutory reduction from the preceding tax year in the maximum compressed rate of the maintenance and operations taxes imposed for those purposes on the homestead.”

Explanatory statement: Proposition Number 1

SJR 2 (87th Legislature, 2nd Special Session) proposes a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for the reduction of the amount of a limitation on the total amount of property taxes that may be imposed for general elementary and secondary public school purposes on the residence homestead of a person who is elderly or disabled in order to reflect any statutory reduction in the maximum compressed rate of the maintenance and operations taxes imposed for those purposes on the person’s homestead from the preceding tax year.

PROPOSITION 2 (SJR 2 - 87th Legislature, 3rd Special Session)

“The constitutional amendment increasing the amount of the residence homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation for public school purposes from \$25,000 to \$40,000.”

Explanatory statement: Proposition Number 2

SJR 2 (87th Legislature, 3rd Special Session) proposes a constitutional amendment increasing the amount of the residence homestead exemption from property taxes for public school purposes from \$25,000 to \$40,000.

For more information and resources for voting in Texas, please visit VoteTexas.gov.



Visit our Website:
gtrepublicanwomen.org



TEXAS SENATOR BRANDON CREIGHTON

represents District 4 in the Texas Senate which encompasses parts of Chambers, Harris, Galveston, Jefferson and Montgomery Counties. Creighton put himself through UT Austin, working as a pipefitter at Texaco Chemical and as a policy analyst in the Texas Senate.

As a member of the Texas House (2007- 2014), Creighton built a reputation as a **conservative leader and led a national movement among state legislatures to reclaim and reaffirm state sovereignty, pushing back against unconstitutional federal overreach from Washington, D.C. during the Obama Administration.**

Creighton was chosen among his colleagues to lead the largest Republican majority of House Members in the nation, continuing to advance conservative Texas policies. *RedState.com* named Creighton, *'The man who kept Obamacare out of Texas,'* during his time as the Republican Caucus Chairman. Throughout his tenure in the Texas Senate, Creighton has been a leader on property tax relief and border security, and he led the effort to ban Critical Race Theory in Texas.

Last month, the Republican Party of Texas announced that Senator Creighton was chosen as 2022 Victory Chair. The RPT Victory Fund is used to register new Republican voters across the state in order to help Republican candidates win up and down the ballot.

Additionally, Creighton was recently appointed by Lt. Governor Patrick to chair the Senate Committee on Public Education in addition to his leadership role on Higher Education. In Creighton's words, "[m]erging two of the most consequential committees" in Texas Education "opens up more opportunity to create a pipeline from early childhood education all the way to the workforce . . . for over 5 million students in Texas classrooms."

Creighton has a real estate and law practice in Conroe, Texas, where his family resides. He is an 8th generation Montgomery County, Texas resident and is consistently ranked as one of the most conservative in the Texas Senate.

QUESTIONS FOR GTRW?

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GTRW'S CARING FOR AMERICA

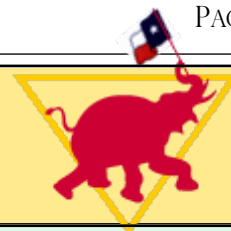
Thanks to CFA Chair
Danielle Faraci,
 GTRW is participating in multiple
 volunteer opportunities
 in our community!

**KEEP UP THE GOOD
 WORK, GTRW!**





CLUB UPDATES



TFRW Woman of Distinction – April 2022

Highly regarded as a leader among Republican Women across Texas, Marie Maggio has a passion for service to her community and state. A simple invitation many years ago was all it took for Marie to quickly become an asset to the Golden Triangle Republican Women. Her dedication to serving resulted in her serving as President, Membership Chair, and Bylaws Chair not once, but twice on two separate occasions.

Once established in her local club and her county party, Marie discovered the Texas Federation of Republican Women, and soon took on leadership roles on a statewide level. She has served TFRW as Secretary for two terms and currently is the TFRW Literacy Chair, a position she held prior to becoming Secretary. She is a TFRW Patron and received TFRW's prestigious Top 10 award. In addition, Marie has served on the Greater Houston Council as VP Membership, Secretary, and currently represents her club as a delegate to the Council.



But no matter how busy she is, Marie always makes time for the Jefferson County Republican Party, her local county party. When County Party leaders call, she steps up. She has spent countless hours planning party events and organized workers to keep party headquarters open during election season. For her dedication and service, Marie was recognized as she received the Volunteer of the Year award from her senate district in 2013.

Always a busy lady, Marie has served as a delegate to her senatorial conventions as well as a delegate to the RPT and TFRW conventions. In addition, she is an Associate Member of surrounding Republican Women's Clubs.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE:

GTRW was the first Republican Women's organization in the great state of Texas to reach 300 members — presently 316 primary members!

DON'T FORGET
GTRW MEMBERSHIP CONTEST
 THE MEMBER WHO BRINGS IN THE MOST PRIMARY NEW AND/OR RENEWED MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS WILL WIN \$500 CASH AT THE MAY 2ND MEETING
 APPLICATIONS MUST BE IN NO LATER THAN MIDNIGHT ON APRIL 30TH
 READY...SET...GO RECRUIT!
 CALL ELAINE WITH ANY QUESTIONS

MAY MEMBERSHIP COMPETITION
 WINNER RECEIVES
2 TICKETS TO AN ASTROS GAME
 (GAME TO BE MUTUALLY AGREED UPON)
 AND A NIGHT AT A DOWNTOWN BONVOY/MARRIOTT
MARRIOTT BONVOY
 TO QUALIFY, YOU MUST BRING IN AT LEAST 6 MEMBERS
 IN ORDER TO GET CREDIT, YOU MUST NOTIFY ELAINE HENDERSON WHEN YOU BRING IN A MEMBER.
 SEND TEXT TO 409-656-5724 WITH NEW MEMBER'S NAME



Elaine Henderson
Golden Triangle Republican Women Membership Chair

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BUILD BACK BETTER ACT Passed U.S. House, BUT Senate Passage Doubtful

Submitted by Linda Sparkman, GTRW Legislative Chair

HR 5376, commonly referred to as the the "Build Back Better Act," passed the House November 19, 2021, but is still *pending in the Senate*. It provides funding, establishes programs and otherwise modifies provisions relating to a broad array of areas, including education, labor, child care, health care, taxes, immigration and the environment.

The bill provides funding for:

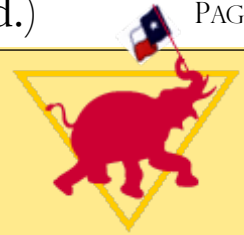
- Management of the National Forest System;
- Job placement and career services;
- Safe drinking water and energy-efficiency projects;
- Electric vehicles and zero-emission, heavy-duty vehicles;
- Public health infrastructure and supply chain resiliency;
- Housing, rental and homeowner assistance programs;
- Cybersecurity programs;
- Tribal infrastructure, environmental and health programs;
- Wildfire prevention, drought relief, conservation efforts and climate change research;
- Small business assistance and development;
- Transit services and clean energy projects in low-income communities; and
- Infrastructure and administration of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

The bill also includes provisions that:

- Provide free child care for children under the age of six;
- Provide free universal preschool services;
- Establish a methane fee for certain petroleum and natural gas facilities;
- Expand Medicare to cover hearing care;
- Allow certain aliens who entered the United States prior to January 1, 2011, to temporarily remain and work in the country;
- Provide up to four weeks of paid family and medical leave per year;
- Restructure and increase taxes for certain corporations and high-income individuals (e.g., individuals with income over \$400,000); and
- Require the Department of Health and Human Services to negotiate maximum prices for certain brand-name drugs under Medicare.

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BUILD BACK BETTER ACT Passed U.S. House — Senate Passage Doubtful (Cont'd. from Page 8)



Brian Riedl of the *New York Post* analyzed the Democrats' bill and presented the following summary of eight major flaws:

1. **No cost estimate.** Democrats are racing to pass the largest non-emergency spending bill since the 1960s. Precisely how much will it cost? No one knows. Lawmakers are not even waiting for the Congressional Budget Office to score the bill. The White House and others have pegged the 10-year cost at around \$2 trillion, but that is surely an underestimate because of . . .
2. **Gimmicks to hide the cost.** The White House intends for the new policies to be permanent, but is using fake expiration dates to score only the first year of the extended child tax credit, the first four years of new health care expansions, and the first six years of child care and early pre-K subsidies. The stated goals of extending these provisions will add approximately \$2 trillion to the 10-year cost, likely pushing the total past \$4 trillion.
3. **Less economic growth.** The White House claims these policies will grow the economy. Yet the nonpartisan economists at the Penn-Wharton Budget Model calculate that — if Congress follows White House policy to make most provisions permanent — then Build Back Better will reduce the long-term GDP by 2.8 percent, reduce wages by 1.5 percent, and reduce work hours by 1.3 percent. The only thing it will expand is government debt, by 25 percent.
4. **Expanded SALT deduction.** The House bill would hike the cap on the state and local tax (SALT) deduction from \$10,000 all the way to \$72,500. This \$500 billion tax cut (relative to keeping the \$10,000 cap) would provide 84 percent of its benefits to the top-earning 10 percent of households (saving as much as \$19,000 each), while the typical median-earning family would save just \$20. And Democrats say Republicans are the party of the rich! The result is that — even with other new tax hikes — many wealthy families could see a net tax cut in this bill.

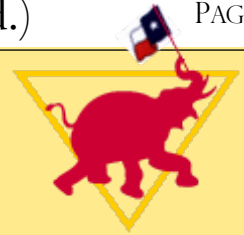
No, capping SALT is not about forcing blue states to subsidize red states. States don't pay taxes — individuals do. And if Democrats object to wealthy taxpayers in California or New Jersey redistributing income to less fortunate families in Arkansas or West Virginia, they are free to advocate the repeal of federal welfare programs.

5. **Child tax credits for undocumented immigrants.** The legislation would end the requirement of a valid Social Security number and thus extend the refundable child credit to undocumented families — covering approximately 675,000 children. It is not anti-immigrant to note that even legal immigrants (such as green card holders) have typically had to wait five years to receive public assistance benefits. The waiting period matters because, for a family with three young children, the fully refundable \$10,800 child tax credit payment would exceed the entire average family income in several Central and South American countries, and thus encourage more illegal border crossings. Indeed, poverty expert Samuel Hammond notes that, following the enlargement of the European Union in 2004, nations with generous benefits for new arrivals saw a stampede of new migrants from poorer countries that eventually forced them to mandate waiting periods. Immediate, easy welfare benefits are not compatible with easy immigration.

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(Brian Riedl's analysis of the eight major flaws continues:)

6. Child care "reform." While many families surely struggle with child care costs, the Democrats' solution has been slammed across the political spectrum. It would create a one-size-fits-all system that would *drive up* the cost of daycare centers with new regulations and large mandated salary increases for child care workers. This could raise child care prices by as much as \$13,000 per year, according to the left-wing People's Policy Project. Many of these new costs would then be passed on to the government (i.e., the taxpayers) in order to cap costs for families. Yet households earning above the eligibility threshold (which gradually rises over a few years from 100 percent to 250 percent of state median income) *would have to pay these new costs themselves*. Families that prefer informal child care arrangements, such as friends or grandparents, would likely be excluded from assistance. *A cleaner option would simply expand the child tax credit and let families decide how to spend it.*

7. Historic new taxes. Even as tax revenues surge, the House bill's **\$2 trillion tax increase** would be the largest in nearly 40 years. The corporate tax increases would nearly triple the size of the tax cuts they received in 2017 and the international reforms would harm American multinational companies relative to their international competitors. For households, the top combined marginal income tax rates (including federal, state and payroll taxes) would soar to the highest in the OECD (Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development), **exceeding 66 percent marginal tax rates in New York.**

Few will shed a tear for large corporations or wealthy taxpayers (many of whom would also receive the aforementioned SALT tax cuts). However, these taxes will harm American competitiveness and much of the corporate taxes will be passed down to families through higher prices, lower wages and smaller retirement investment returns. Furthermore, if Congress maximizes taxes on corporations and wealthy families to pay for this legislation, guess whose taxes will be left to raise when it's time to address the staggering \$25 trillion in new deficits projected between 2019 and 2031? Get ready for significant middle-class tax increases just a bit down the road.

8. Marriage penalties. The House bill would extend the American Rescue Plan's expansion of the earned income tax credit (EITC) that broadened age eligibility and increased benefits for childless workers.

However, this new design expands a marriage penalty in which the simple act of getting married would cause two individuals to forfeit as much as \$2,700 in annual EITC benefits. The easiest fix would allow married couples who file their taxes separately to remain eligible for the EITC (and thus guarantee the same pre-marriage benefits). A better option would simply fix the EITC formulas so that a couple's benefit levels are the same regardless of whether they get married.

President Biden and Congress have already added more than \$3.5 trillion in new 10-year debt from the American Rescue Plan, infrastructure bill and higher discretionary spending baseline. **The Build Back Better plan would add trillions more in debt, fuel inflation, raise current taxes, and set the stage for future middle-class tax hikes — all for a poorly designed bill that economists show would hurt the economy. Lawmakers should KILL this bill.**

<https://nypost.com/2021/11/11/8-big-problems-with-joe-bidens-build-back-better-bill/>



Legislative Chair Linda Sparkman



Sample Ballot (Boleta de Muestra)

Republican Party Primary Runoff Election
Elección de Desempate Primaria del Partido Republicano
Jefferson County, TX
May 24, 2022 - 24 de Mayo, 2022

OFFICIAL BALLOT
BOLETA OFICIAL
Condado de Jefferson, TX
ALL CONTESTS (TODOS LOS CONCURSOS)

INSTRUCTION NOTE:

Please use a black or blue ink pen only.
Completely fill in the box provided to the left of
your choice. Make no stray marks on the ballot.
Do not use inks that soak through the paper.

NOTA DE INSTRUCCIÓN:

Por favor use solamente una pluma de tinta
negra o azul. Llene completamente el espacio
cuadrado a la izquierda de su selección. No
haga marcas fuera del recuadro. No use tintas
que se puedan correr en el papel.

"I am a Republican and understand that I am
ineligible to vote or participate in another political
party's primary election or convention during this
voting year."

"Yo soy Republicano y comprendo que no soy
elegible para votar o participar en la elección
primaria o la convención de algún otro partido
político durante este año electoral."

Attorney General
Procurador General

- Ken Paxton
George P. Bush

Commissioner of the General Land Office
Comisionado de la Oficina General de Tierras

- Dawn Buckingham
Tim Westley

Railroad Commissioner
Comisionado de Ferrocarriles

- Wayne Christian
Sarah Stogner

County Commissioner, Precinct 2
Comisionado del Condado, Precinto Núm. 2

- Cary Erickson
Alex Rupp

Sample Ballot (Boleta de Muestra)

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MEMORIAL DAY is a very important national holiday. It is the day we honor those who *died* in active military service through-out United States history. It is observed on the last Monday of May of every year and is not to be confused with Veterans' Day, which celebrates the service of United States military men — *veterans* who served in previous wars and are still living.



As a large observance, recognition of MEMORIAL DAY began three years after the Civil War in 1868, when the head of an organization of Union veterans established "*Decoration Day*" as a time for the nation to *decorate with flowers* the graves of those who had died in service. Major General John A. Logan declared it should be May 30, believed to have been chosen because flowers would be blooming across the country.

General Logan's order for his posts to decorate graves in 1868 "with the choicest flowers of springtime" urged: "We should guard their graves with sacred vigilance . . . Let pleasant paths invite the coming and going of reverent visitors and fond mourners. Let no neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten as a people the cost of a free and undivided republic."

On that first MEMORIAL DAY, May 30, 1868, ceremonies were held at Arlington National Cemetery, across the Potomac River from Washington, D.C., where approximately 5,000 people attended. Then, as now, small American flags were placed on each grave.

Ceremonies that day in 1868 also centered around the mourning-draped veranda of the Arlington mansion, once the home of General Robert E. Lee. Various Washington officials, including General and Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant, presided; and following the speeches, children from the Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphan Home and members of the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) made their way through the cemetery, strewing flowers on both Union and Confederate graves, reciting prayers and singing hymns.

By the end of the 19th century, MEMORIAL DAY ceremonies were being held on May 30 throughout the nation. State legislatures passed proclamations designating the day, and the Army and Navy adopted regulations for proper observance at their facilities. However, MEMORIAL DAY was not expanded to honor those who have died in all American wars until after World War I. honor those who have died in all American wars until after World War I.

Fast forward to MEMORIAL DAY, May 30, 1922, where it is probably no coincidence that the completed Lincoln Memorial, whose cornerstone was set in 1915, was dedicated before a gathering of more than 50,000 people, black and white. Lincoln's only surviving son, Robert Todd Lincoln, attended the ceremony. President Warren G. Harding and former President/then Chief Justice of the Supreme Court William Howard Taft delivered addresses.



MEMORIAL DAY was finally declared a national holiday by Congress in 1971 and was designated as the last Monday in May, which in 2022 is the 30th of May!

How many soldiers do we memorialize each year on MEMORIAL DAY? FAR TOO MANY gave the ultimate sacrifice. Let us enumerate some of our nation's wars:

- 1 - French & Indian War 1756-1763
- 2 - American Revolutionary War 1775-1783
- 3 - War of 1812
- 4 - Civil War 1861-1865
- 5 - Spanish-American War 1898
- 6 - World War I 1917-1918
- 7 - World War II 1941-1945
- 8 - Korean War 1950-1953
- 9 - Vietnam War 1962-1973
- 10 - Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm 1990-1992
- 11 - Global War on Terrorism/Operation Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan) 2001- 2021
- 12 - Operation Iraqi Freedom 2003-2011
- 13 - Multiple operations and conflicts today

Yes, too many gave too much!

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National Women's Month Began March 1 and Ends March 31
2022 THEME: GENDER EQUALITY TODAY FOR A SUSTAINABLE TOMORROW

GOLDEN TRIANGLE REPUBLICAN WOMEN
of Beaumont, Texas, celebrates

RATIFICATION OF THE
19TH AMENDMENT
GIVING WOMEN THE
RIGHT TO VOTE

The road to the 19TH AMENDMENT AND WOMEN VOTING in this great nation began even before the Civil War, in 1848, when a group of women held a convention at Seneca Falls, New York. It was the first Women's Rights Convention in the United States and began the Suffrage movement. The mother and sister of Susan B. Anthony attended the convention, but Susan did not. Already an abolitionist activist, Susan met Elizabeth Cady Stanton in 1851 and the two worked thereafter for over 50 years fighting for women's rights. Traveling the country with Stanton, Susan gave speeches and at times risked being arrested for sharing her ideas in public.

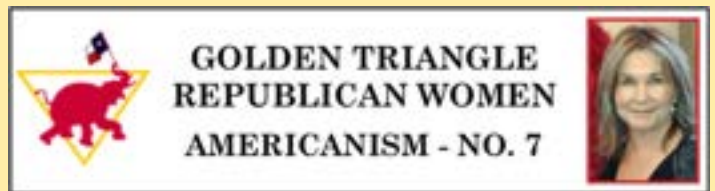
They were dismayed by the passing of the 14th and 15th Amendments, giving voting rights to African American men and opposed the legislation because it did not include voting rights for women. Thereafter, they formed the National Woman Suffrage Association to push for a constitutional amendment giving women the right to vote. Anthony was arrested for voting in 1872, tried and fined \$100 for her crime.

In 1888, Anthony helped merge the two largest suffrage associations into one, the National American Women's Suffrage Association, leading the group until 1900. Anthony died in 1906, after years of gathering petition signatures and lobbying Congress every year for women. Fourteen years later, in 1920, the right to vote was given to women with passage of the 19TH AMENDMENT. Passed Congress June 4, 1919 and ratified August 18, 1920.

www.womenshistory.org/education-resources/biographies/susan-b-anthony



SUSAN B. ANTHONY



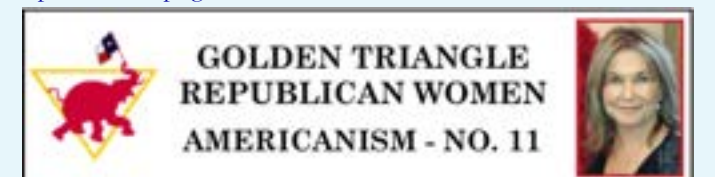
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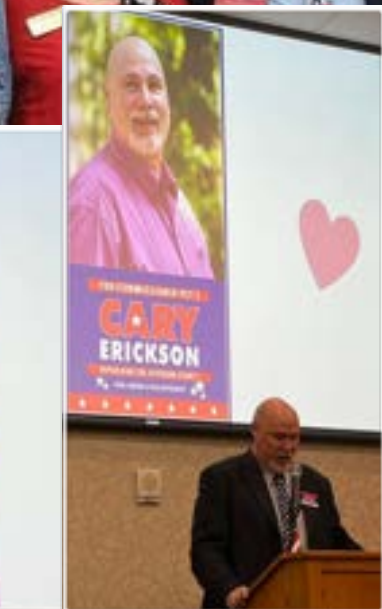
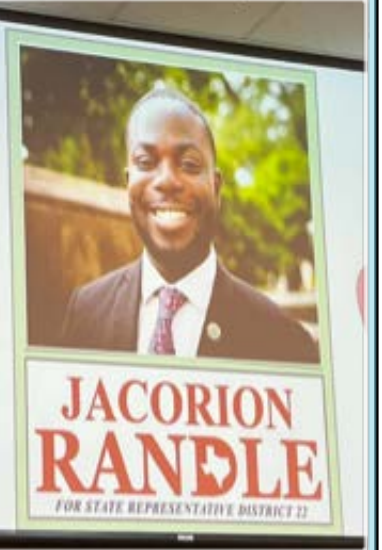
Words cannot express the debt we owe these men and women. Our entire nation owes our freedom to these fallen heroes. We ARE the **Land of the Free** BECAUSE of soldiers.

On MEMORIAL DAY, Fellow Patriots, let us pay respect to those who didn't make it home. We cannot forget that freedom is NEVER free! Someone always pays the ultimate price.

This year, please encourage your families — particularly our children — to actively participate in **honoring our fallen this MEMORIAL DAY, May 30.**

<https://www.va.gov/opa/publications/celebrate/memday.pdf>
<https://www.britannica.com/topic/Lincoln-Memorial-monument-Washington-DC>
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lincoln_Memorial
https://www.va.gov/vetsinworkplace/docs/em_datesNames.html
<https://www.nps.gov/linc/linc100.htm>





GTRW CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE 2022 FIRST QUARTER REPORT

As GTRW's Campaign Activities Chair, my main focus is to track and coordinate the activities of our club to help elect Republicans. I recently attended a Nuts 'n Bolts training conference where Corrine Miklosh, Vice President of Political Activities for Texas Federation of Republican Women (TFRW), shared the following:

The Value of Volunteering

The 2021 value of each volunteer hour was \$28.54.

In 2021, TFRW reported 2,012,754 hours to NFRW.

That number of hours had a monetary value of \$57,443,999.16.

These statements have inspired our organization and we have made reporting volunteer hours a priority.

We are so happy to inform our GTRW members that the number of volunteer hours to be reported for the First Quarter of 2022 — 21,685 — is a significant increase from previous numbers, and we will continue to work hard in this manner for our Republican Candidates and GTRW.

The role of GTRW Campaign Activities Chair is to track hours and report them to the Texas Federation of Republican Women. I also serve as GTRW's point of contact for candidates and elected officials, in addition to organizing forums and candidate meet & greets. I also endeavor to keep GTRW members informed of all campaign needs and activities.

Additionally, GTRW's Campaign Activities Chair is responsible for:

- 1 - Encouraging members to become Jefferson County precinct chairs;
- 2 - Working with the Jefferson County GOP Chair in identifying openings for candidates; and
- 3 - Assisting in setting up Voter Registration drives.

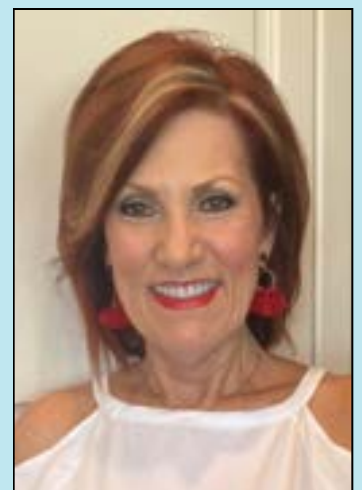
Any and all work engaged in planning, preparing and conducting **a fundraiser** to earn money for political activities for GTRW and Republican candidates **counts as Volunteer Campaign Hours.**

| <u>Quarter-Hours</u> | <u>Months Included</u> | <u>Report Hours to GTRW</u> | <u>Report Due to TFRW</u> |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 st Quarter - 21,685 | January - March | April 10, 2022 | April 15, 2022 |
| 2 nd Quarter | April - June | June 10, 2022 | June 15, 2022 |
| 3 rd Quarter | July - September | October 10, 2022 | October 15, 2022 |
| 4 th Quarter | October - December | January 10, 2023 | January 15, 2023 |



GTRW's goal for 2022 is to volunteer and report the MOST HOURS OF ANY SUPER JUMBO CLUB to the Texas Federation of Republican Women to make 2022 the BEST YEAR EVER!

TOGETHER
We Can Do It!
Linda Nicholas





This week, I joined Republican Leader Kevin McCarthy and several of my colleagues from the U.S. House of Representatives on a trip to our Southern Border. My seventh since being elected to Congress — this time to Eagle Pass, Texas. Our purpose: To gain a better understanding of the impact that further erosion of law will have on our country.

This was the most terrible I've ever seen.

To bring the life-and-death nature of this crisis into even harsher reality, we were present when the body of Army Specialist Bishop Evans, of Arlington, Texas, was dragged from the Rio Grande. The National Guardsman had given his own life in a valiant attempt to rescue two crossers — later determined to be drug smugglers — from drowning.

This is the situation now, weeks before President Biden's administration plans to terminate Title 42 on May 23. For those not familiar with D.C. shorthand, Title 42 comes from a 1944 public health law to prevent the spread of communicable disease, implemented in March 2020 by the CDC. It is a public health emergency invocation that authorizes U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) agents to quickly expel illegal immigrants back across the border.

While in Eagle Pass, the members of Congress heard directly from soldiers in the Texas National Guard, visited a CBP holding facility and received an operational briefing from CBP agents on the ground in the Del Rio Sector. The border agents reported that they are seeing a surge in the number of arrests on our Southern Border, including over 221,000 in March alone, up a staggering 542% from the same timeframe in 2020. And this does not include the estimated thousands of "got-aways" that elude capture every single day, rarely — if ever — arrested.

This was the worst March in over two decades. Adding insult to injury, since Joe Biden took office and started implementing his radical open-border policies, 42 people on the terrorist watchlist have been apprehended — attempting to enter the United States illegally.

If Title 42 is lifted, this catastrophe — Biden's Border Crisis — will get much worse. Last year, the Biden administration dropped deportations to the lowest level in 26 years, roughly 68 percent. The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) estimates that, with the lifting of Title 42, those numbers could climb to 12,000 (even 18,000) crossers per day.

Thankfully, our Texas State Legislature is once again stepping up to the plate. When I served in the Texas Legislature (2009-2012), we spent \$400 million to secure our border. That was considered pretty significant, given that border security is supposed to be a federal responsibility. But now our state is spending \$3 billion to do what the federal government won't!

THERE IS HOPE. On Monday, April 25, 2022, U.S. District Court Judge Robert Summerhays (appointed to the Western District of Louisiana by President Donald Trump), responded to a suit brought by the states of Missouri, Louisiana and Arizona by granting a temporary restraining order to prevent the lifting of Title 42.

Border Security is National Security and, under President Biden, we have neither. Instead of securing our Southern Border and protecting our communities, Biden is actively working to end Trump-era policies that did just that. And if the courts ultimately relent, allowing the Biden administration to double down on a desperate attempt to appease the "woke" mob that has overtaken the Democrat Party, our country will lose. Badly.



Since 2013, U.S. Congressman Randy Weber has represented the 14th Congressional District of Texas, which includes Brazoria County, Galveston County and a portion of Jefferson County. He holds a key leadership role on the House Committee on Science, Space and Technology, serving as the Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Energy. Randy previously served in the Texas House and is up for reelection in November 2022.





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December 2021
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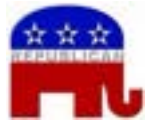


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Ronald Reagan on FREEDOM & HUMAN RIGHTS

If we look to the answer as to why for so many years we achieved so much, prospered as no other people on Earth, it was because here in this land we unleashed the energy and individual genius of man to a greater extent than had ever been done before. Freedom and the dignity of the individual have been more available and assured here than in any other place on Earth. The price for this freedom at times has been high. But we have never been unwilling to pay that price.

*The President's Inaugural Address
 January 20, 1981*

There is, in the world today, a counterfeit revolution, a revolution of territorial conquest, a revolution of coercion and thought control, where states rule behind the barrel of a gun and erect barbed wire walls – not to keep enemies out, but to keep their own people in.

The real revolution lives in principles that took root here in the New World. The first principle says that mankind will not be ruled, in Thomas Jefferson's words, "by a favored few." The second is a pledge to every man, woman and child: No matter what your background, no matter how low your station in life, there must be no limit on your ability to reach for the stars, to go as far as your God-given talents will take you.

*Remarks to American and Brazilian Businessmen
 Sao Paulo, Brazil
 December 2, 1982*

The difference between the path toward greater freedom or bigger government is the difference between success and failure; between opportunity and coercion; between faith in a glorious future and fear of mediocrity and despair; between respecting people as adults, each with a spark of greatness, and treating them as helpless children to be forever dependent; between a drab, materialistic world where Big Brother rules by promises to special interest groups, and a world of adventure where everyday people set their sites on impossible dreams, distant stars and the Kingdom of God.

*Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC)
 March 2, 1984*

There are those in the world today, as there always have been, who recognized human rights as only selective favors to be doled out by the state. They preach revolution against tyranny, but they intend to replace it with the tyranny of totalitarianism.

*Bicentennial Observance of the Battle of Yorktown
 Yorktown, Virginia
 October 19, 1981*



*40th President of
 the United States
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