



## May 2023

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Marvelous May to Everyone,

This morning as I was reflecting on the great forum of candidates for CCISD School Board Trustees at the April luncheon, I was thankful to have wonderfully dedicated and educated candidates. They want the best for our community's children. Remember to vote early. Early voting starts Monday April 24<sup>th</sup>. Election day is May 6<sup>th</sup>. There are many local elections as well. Please check it out:

<https://www.galvestonvotes.org/election-information/current-and-upcoming-elections>



At our May 5<sup>th</sup> luncheon we will be celebrating Law Enforcement and listening to speakers from the Galveston County Sheriff's office, two precincts of the Galveston County Constable's office and a K9 unit from the Galveston Police Department. Our county is very blessed to have truly caring professionals. They not only care for us, but they have also answered the needs along the border. These brave and courageous men and women are never off duty. They are always watching and serving others.

To help celebrate and bring our focus on the importance of the "Race for our Future" please wear a Kentucky Derby hat or just support by joining us for a fun luncheon.

The Texas legislature has 38 more days. Our representatives Senator Mayes Middleton, and Representatives Dr. Greg Bonnen and Terri Leo Wilson need to know you support them. There have been a little over 85 bills passed out of the house and senate but so many important items are still out there. We can support their efforts by calling and Emailing your representatives and the authors of the bills you support and by calling friends and family encouraging them to call their representatives about the important bills.

In the national arena, Robert F Kennedy has thrown himself into the race. Along with the first ads from De Santis and Trump; the race is on.

See you Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

Martha  
CCRW President

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## May 05 – Monthly Meeting Event

### Law Enforcement Celebration

**Kentucky Derby Hat Day! Wear your best Derby hat to support:  
Running Our Race – 2024**

**Come out and Back the Blue as we celebrate  
Law Enforcement Appreciation Month**

- ◆ Sheriff Henry Trochesset, Galveston County
- ◆ Police Chief Gary Ratliff, City of League City
- ◆ Major Ray Nolen, Galveston County Sheriff's Office
- ◆ Hon. Jimmy Fullen, Galveston County Constable Precinct 2
- ◆ Hon. Justin West, Galveston County Constable Precinct 4
- ◆ Officer L. Murph and K9 Jorka, Galveston Police Department



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## CCRW EVENTS

### CCRW Monthly Meeting

**May 05, 2023**

*La Brisa– Mexican Bar & Grill  
501 N. Wesley Dr., League City, Texas*

**11:15 - 12:00**                      **Doors Open**

**12:00 - 1:00:**                      **Meeting**  
    **Lunch**  
    **Speakers**

### **Celebration of Law Enforcement Appreciation Month**

Come out and Back the Blue as we celebrate Law Enforcement Appreciation Month and hear our panel discuss the mission and priorities of their agency; their roles and duties within their agency; patterns and trends in their communities; how they interact with each other; views of what LEOs are experiencing today in society; and how the community can help. **Come meet Galveston PD K9 Unit – Officer Murph and K9 Jorka!**

Our LEOs speaking at the meeting:

- ◆ Sheriff Henry Trochesset, Galveston County
- ◆ Police Chief Gary Ratliff, City of League City
- ◆ Major Ray Nolen, Galveston County Sheriff’s Office
- ◆ Hon. Jimmy Fullen, Galveston County Constable Precinct 2
- ◆ Hon. Justin West, Galveston County Constable Precinct 4
- ◆ Officer L. Murph and K9 Jorka, Galveston Police Department

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**You MUST RSVP by end of day the Monday before each meeting.**  
**Please RSVP by completing the form on the website here.**

Please reserve and select choice #1, #2, or #3 by end of the day  
**Monday before each meeting.**

**Please note: You may cancel up to 24 hours before meeting, free of charge. After that time, you will be charged for your meal if we are charged by La Brisa for your RSVP.**

**Reminder, we are no longer offering a non-eating option at the monthly lunch at La Brisa, so please select one of the 3 meal options as noted on the website. Please also note that the price for the monthly lunch has increased to reflect the increased pricing of food items/inflation. And lastly, the \$20 lunch fee is to be paid in cash or check only (made payable to La Brisa).**

<b>May 2023</b>	
<b>05</b>	<b>CCRW Executive Board Meeting CCRW Monthly Meeting</b>
<b>06</b>	<b>Election Day (various elections to include CCISD Trustees 2/3</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>Mother’s Day</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>Peace Officers Memorial Day</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>Memorial Day</b>

#### **CCRW 2022 OFFICERS**

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#### **COMMITTEE CHAIRWOMEN**

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Legislative

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Vacant

#### **2022 SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

Directory

Mary Kennedy

Finance/Budget

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Internal Review

Chrissy Crews

Events

Lanette Lashway

Social Media

Kolleen McCaskey

Website

Kristen Day

# National Law Enforcement Appreciation Month

National Peace Officers Memorial Day, May 15th

National Police Week



## May is Law Enforcement Appreciation Month

Law Enforcement Officers – LEOs, are on the job at the local, state, and federal levels. Every day our LEOs are leaving their families at home and standing with their **BLUE** families to serve and protect their communities. Let's take this time to show our appreciation for their dedication and service to our communities

### What can you do to show appreciation?

Visit [Home for Heroes](#) to find out what you can do. Encourage your children at home and at school.

[Homes for Heroes](#) has a few suggestions:

- ◆ Remember To Do It!
- ◆ Look for Opportunities
- ◆ Just DO IT!
  - ⇒ Write a letter of appreciation to your local police department or sheriff's office.
  - ⇒ Display the American flag at half-mast on Law Enforcement Appreciation Day.
  - ⇒ Wear a blue ribbon in support of law enforcement officers.
  - ⇒ Share an article, photo, or story about law enforcement officers on social media.
  - ⇒ Take a photo of yourself with your favorite law enforcement officer and post it online.
  - ⇒ Attend Law Enforcement Appreciation Day events in your community.
  - ⇒ Download this [law enforcement coloring sheet](#), or [this version](#), and deliver it to your local police station



# Membership Report – May 2023

## CCRW Membership Update

Republican Friends,

If you have not renewed your dues for 2023, I encourage you to renew **ASAP** so that Clear Creek Republican Women can be recognized by **Texas Federation of Republican Women**. Dues are considered late after March 31, 2023.

2023 is an important year for us to grow! If you are a member of Clear Creek Republican Women, then you are a member of our state and national organizations. You may not realize this, but **TEXAS FEDERATION of REPUBLICAN WOMEN** is the largest Republican organization in the nation. **You are a member of the largest republican organization in the nation!!!** TFRW is known for their hours of service and their largest financial contributions to campaigns.

As stated above, 2023 is important. This is the year we report our membership numbers to the state and national organizations for awards and recognition. We have a **RED** county and want to highlight our strength in membership numbers here at Clear Creek Republican Women. Please consider joining our club to be a part of this important contribution for the Republican Party.

### Current Membership

71 Full Members

23 Associate Members

You can join as a full member or as an associate member.

Full Membership \$35

Women only - home club

\$25 goes to our Texas Federation of Republican Women

\$10 stays in our club

Associate Member \$20

Women - who are full member of other Republican Women Groups

Men - only

\$20 stays in our club

To join online follow this link **[Become a Member](#)** - Clear Creek Republican Women (clearcreekrw.org).

I look forward to seeing you May 5th for our monthly meeting.

*Della Brown*

1<sup>st</sup> VP Membership



# Legislative Report—May 2023

Janet Bell

Legislative Chair

United States



## 118<sup>TH</sup> U.S. CONGRESS

- ◆ S. 519 - Stop Taxpayer Funding of Traffickers Act, Introduced, 2/16 \*NFRW priority  
Prohibits those charged with/convicted of human/drug trafficking near U. S. border from receiving federal benefits
- ◆ H.R. 1 - Lower Energy Costs Act, PASSED HOUSE, 3/30 \*NFRW priority  
Reverses anti-energy policies advanced by the Biden Administration
- ◆ H.J. Res 8 - Keep the Nine Constitutional Amendment, Introduced, 1/9 \*NFRW priority  
Requires SCOTUS be composed of nine justices in order to prevent court packing
- ◆ H.R. 734 - Protection of Women & Girls in Sports Act of 2023, PASSED HOUSE, 4/20 \*NFRW priority  
Related: S. 613 / H. Res. 298
- ◆ Prohibits schools allowing those whose biological sex is male to participate in girls/women athletic programs
- ◆ H.R. 5 - Parents Bill of Rights Act, PASSED HOUSE, 3/24; to Senate, 3/27 \*NFRW priority  
Comparable to TX SB 8. Parents have the right to: review school's curriculum/reading materials/state academic standards; engage w/ local school board/educators; see detailed school budget/spending; protect child's privacy; keep child safe & be updated on any school violence. Prohibits schools: acting as agent of a parent regarding parental consent for a vax; selling student info for commercial/financial gain. An elementary school or school w/ only grades 5-8 must obtain parental consent before: changing a minor child's gender markers, pronouns, or preferred name on school forms; allowing a child to change the child's sex-based accommodations

## Texas

### The 88<sup>th</sup> TX Legislature (7998 HB's & SB's, 0 completely passed) :

ABORTION, BORDER, BORDER PATROL AGENTS, CASINO GAMBLING, COASTAL AFFAIRS/BEACHES, COURTS, CRIMES, CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS, EDUCATION, ELECTIONS & VOTING SYSTEMS, FEDERAL & INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, FINANCIALS, GENDER IDENTITY & EXPRESSION, HEALTH, HUMAN TRAFFICKING, IMMIGRATION LAW, IMMIGRATION REFORM, LOBBYISTS & LOBBYING, ORGANIZED CRIME, PARENTAL RIGHTS, POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS, PROPERTY INTERESTS, SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESSES, SCHOOL VOUCHERS, SUPREME COURT and TX BORDER.

### BORDER/IMMIGRATION LAW -

- 1) SB 237 Hall, COA Schwertner - In Senate Border Security Committee as of, 2/15  
HB 82 (similar) Spiller, COA Ashby/Cain/Cook/Dean/Metcalf/Rogers/Slaton/Toth/Troxclair - In House State Affairs as of, 4/12  
HB 2396 (similar) Guillen - In House State Affairs as of, 3/9  
Establish border security & immigration enforcement interstate compact
- 2) \*\* SB 2424 Birdwell, COA Springer - PASSED SENATE, 4/13  
Creates the criminal offense of improper entry from a foreign nation making it a state crime to enter TX illegally
- 3) HB 209 Slaton - In House State Affairs Committee as of, 2/23  
Creation of fund to pay for border security enhancement projects; complete President Trump's border wall

### COASTAL AFFAIRS/BEACHES -

- 4) SB 434 Middleton - In Senate Natural Resources & Economic Development as of, 2/15  
HB 3114 (identical) Hayes - In House Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence Committee as of, 3/14  
Burden of proof in a suit / administrative proceeding to establish an area is subject to the public beach easement; may conflict with Open Beaches Act

### COURTS -

- 5) \*\* SB 1927 Hughes - Passed Senate State Affairs Committee, 3/30 \*TFRW priority  
Allows TX Supreme Court to appoint a state prosecuting attorney w/ jurisdiction to prosecute crimes that might be politicized (EX: election/abortion/bribery/corruption crimes)

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### Texas (cont'd)

#### CRIMES/ SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESSES -

- 6) **\*\* SB 12** Hughes, COA Kolkhorst - **PASSED SENATE, 4/5** \*TFRW priority  
**Restricts sexually explicit performances (EX: drag shows) from being performed in the presence of a child on public property or on premises of a commercial enterprise. Authorizes a civil penalty; creates a criminal offense**
- 7) **HB 571** Leo Wilson, COA Dorazio/Frazier/Harris/Caroline/Hayes/Swanson/Tepper/Toth/VanDeaver/Vasut/Wilson  
(Duplicates) **HB 552** Troxclair, **HB 858** Slaton, **HB 869** Hefner  
**All in House State Affairs; HB 571/552 as of, 2/23; HB 858/869 as of, 3/1**  
**Repeals affirmative defense to prosecution for criminals selling/distributing/displaying harmful material to minors**

#### EDUCATION/PARENTAL RIGHTS -

- 8) **\*\* SB 8 - PASSED SENATE, 4/6; To House Public Education, 4/17** \*TFRW priority Creighton/Bettencourt/  
Campbell/King/Middleton/Parker/Paxton/Schwertner/Springer  
**\*\* HB 5261** (identical) Frank - **In House Public Education, 3/24**  
**Establishes parental rights, public school responsibilities & an education savings account program**  
- Recognizes obvious parent's rights regarding moral/religious training  
- Consent (or not) to medical, psychiatric, psychological treatment  
- Prohibits schools from withholding information from a parent regarding their child  
- Parent's right to withhold consent for their child's participation in certain activities/instruction  
- Requires school boards provide a grievance procedure for parents who believe their rights have been violated  
- Provides for TX AG investigation of certain school district conduct
- 9) **++ SB13 - SENATE PASSED, 4/13**  
Paxton/Bettencourt/Hughes/Creighton/Middleton/Parker/Schwertner/Sparks/Springer, COA Campbell/Flores/Hall/Hancock/King/Perry  
**++ HB 5251** (identical) Toth - **In House State Affairs, 3/24**  
**Regarding a school district's library materials/catalog; creation of local school library advisory councils; parental rights regarding public school library catalogs & child access to library materials; affirmative defenses to prosecution for certain offenses involving material/conduct that is obscene or otherwise harmful to children**
- 10) **\*\* SB 16** Hughes - **Passed Senate Education, 3/30** \*TFRW priority  
**Extends prohibition of CRT to higher education public institutions.** Prohibits compelling enrolled students to adopt certain beliefs. Builds on 87<sup>th</sup> TX Legislature success prohibiting CRT in TX K-12
- 11) **++ SB 164** Campbell, COA Creighton/Kolkhorst/Middleton/Paxton - **SENATE PASSED, 4/20**  
**Regarding: display of the U.S. national motto & founding documents in public schools; the inclusion in public high school curriculums of an elective course on the U.S. founding principles**
- 12) **SB 176** Middleton, COA Bettencourt - **Senate Education public hearing, 3/22; pending in committee**  
**\*\* HB 4807** Harrison - **House Public Education hearing, 4/12**  
**Addresses school choice via creation of TX Parental Empowerment Program & an insurance premium tax credit for contributions made for purposes of that program**
- 13) **\*\* HB 900 - UNOFFICIAL PASSED HOUSE, 4/19 (Not yet certified by House Journal Clerk)** \*TFRW priority  
Patterson/Buckley/Burrows/Shaheen/Longoria, 49 COA 's  
**HB 1655** (duplicate) Patterson - **Referred to House Public Education, 3/7**  
**Regulates books with "sexually explicit material" sold to / already included in public school libraries**  
- Requires book vendors rate books that include "sexually explicit" / "sexually relevant" material  
- Book vendors can't sell books w/ sexually explicit material to a school district or open enrollment charter school  
- SBOE may independently review books for prohibited material & notify vendor of its determination  
- Addresses problem of books already in school libraries

#### ELECTIONS & VOTING SYSTEMS -

- 14) **\*\* SB 2 - PASSED SENATE, 3/14; In House Elections, 4/10**  
Hughes, COA Bettencourt/Creighton/Flores/Huffman/King/Kolkhorst/Middleton/Parker/Paxton /Springer  
**\*\* HB 4198** (identical) Toth - **In House Elections as of, 3/21**  
**Makes illegal voting a criminal felony offense**
- 15) **++ SB 220** Bettencourt, COA Creighton/Hughes - **SENATE PASSED, 4/19** **Enforcement of election laws**
- 16) **++ SB 221** Bettencourt - **SENATE PASSED, 3/28**  
**Regarding requirements for certain petitions requesting an election & ballot propositions**

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### Texas (cont'd)

17) ++ SB 260 Kolkhorst, COA Bettencourt/Springer - SENATE PASSED, 4/17  
Regarding confirmation of a voter's residence by a voter registrar

18) ++ SB 397 Hall - Reported favorably out of Senate State Affairs, 4/19  
++ HB 2988 (identical) Harrison - In House Elections as of, 3/14  
Regarding procedures for closing a polling place

19) \*\* SB 1070 Hughes, COA Middleton - PASSED SENATE, 4/12; To House Elections, 4/14  
\*\* HB 2809 (identical) Jetton - House Elections public hearing scheduled, 4/20  
\*\* HB 5254 (identical) Toth - Referred to House Elections, 3/24

\*TFRW priority

Regarding interstate voter registration crosscheck program, develops a TX voter registration/roll maintenance system to replace the Election Registration Information Center (ERIC)

- ERIC funded in 2012 by the PEW Charitable Trusts via George Soros Open Society Foundation
- Proof of inaccuracies & lack of transparency; lack of a standardized data format
- 31 states participated; Missouri, Alabama, Florida, West Virginia & Louisiana have withdrawn
- Will be a newly formed TX SOS group tasked with providing this new system for TX

20) HB 125 Slaton - In House State Affairs, 2/23

Regards enforcement of certain election laws by DA's, criminal DA's & county attorneys: provides a civil penalty; allows TX AG to seek court-ordered injunction to stop a local prosecutor from limiting election law enforcement

21) HB 678 Bell/Cain/Spiller/DeAyala, COA Leo-Wilson/Patterson/Swanson/Vasut - In House Elections as of, 2/23

Allows TX AG to appoint a special prosecutor from an adjacent county in an election crime case; requires local prosecutors to notify AG's office vs the TX SOS of an open election law violations investigation

### ++ ENERGY

22) ++ SB 330 Senate Business & Commerce passed, 4/19

Hall/Alvarado/Bettencourt/Blanco/Eckhardt/Gutierrez/Hinojosa/Hughes/Johnson/Kolkhorst/Parker/Paxton/Perry/West/Whitmire/Zaffirini, COA Campbell/Creighton/Flores/King/LaMantia/Menéndez/Middleton/Miles/Sparks

++ HB 1412 (identical) Schaefer/Spiller/Anderson - In House State Affairs as of, 3/3

Regarding resilience of the electric grid & certain municipalities; authorizing administrative penalty

### FEDERAL & INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS -

23) \*\* SB 147 Kolkhorst, COA Hinojosa/Middleton/Springer - Approved by Senate State Affairs Committee, 4/13

Prevents private property rights from being controlled by aliens or entities from adversarial nations. Builds on SB 2116 which unanimously passed in 2021 87th Regular Session & protects critical infrastructure against contracts or doing business with Russia, North Korea, China & Iran due to national security issues

24) \*\* SB 242 Middleton - After public hearing approved by Senate State Affairs, 4/20

HB 262 Swanson - In House State Affairs as of, 2/23

Prohibits cooperation by state/local entities w/ certain federal acts violating U. S. Constitution. Directs AG to provide monthly report to Gov., Lt. Gov., SOTH, & each legislator identifying such violations

25) SB 313 Hall - In Senate State Affairs, 2/15

HB 384 (similar) Bell, Cecil - In House State Affairs, 2/23

Regarding Texas Sovereignty Act, creates Joint Legislative Committee on Constitutional Enforcement to review federal laws/agency rules & regulations/executive orders/federal court decisions/treaties that challenge the sovereignty of TX & its people for the purpose of determining if the federal action is unconstitutional; whereupon, if designated so & signed by the Governor, then no state resources or personnel can be used to enforce the proposed federal decree

### LOBBYISTS & LOBBYING -

32) \*\* SB 175 - PASSED SENATE, 4/6; to House State Affairs, 4/13

Middleton, COA Bettencourt/Creighton/Hall/Paxton/Springer/Schwertner

\*\* HB 3538 (identical) Troxclair - To House State Affairs, 3/16

Ban taxpayer-funded lobbying

### TAXATION -

33) HB 577 Leo-Wilson - All 3 bills in House Ways & Means as of, 2/23

HB 43 (duplicate) Spiller/Vasut/Leo-Wilson, COA Cain/Rogers

HB 268 (duplicate) Toth, COA Spiller

Repeals/limits certain state/local taxes (school district maintenance & ops ad valorem taxes), enacts state & local value added taxes and related school finance reform.

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### Texas (cont'd)

#### ++ GENDER IDENTITY & EXPRESSION

26) ++ SB 14 - PASSED SENATE, 04/04; To House Public Health (HPH), 4/13 Campbell/Bettencourt/Hall/Hughes/Kolkhorst/Middleton/Parker/Paxton/Perry/Springer, COA Birdwell/Creighton/Hancock/King/Sparks

++ SB 625 (duplicate) Campbell, COA Kolkhorst/Parker - In Senate State Affairs as of, 3/8

++ HB 1686 (identical) Oliverson/Klick/Metcalf/Toth/Geren, 76 COA - HPH public hearings, 3/27-28; Passed by HPH, 4/14

Prohibits provision to certain children of procedures/treatments for gender transitioning, gender reassignment, or gender dysphoria & prohibits use of public money/public assistance to provide those procedures/treatments

27) ++ SB 250 Hall/Campbell/Perry, COA Parker - Passed by Senate State Affairs, 4/12

Regarding provision of & professional liability insurance coverage for gender transitioning/gender reassignment medical procedures/treatments for certain children

#### HEALTH

28) \*\* SB 177 Middleton, COA Creighton/Hall/Kolkhorst - SENATE PASSED, 4/18

\*\* HB 81 (identical) Harrison/Klick/Frank/Jones/Venton, 36 COA - Passed by House Public Health, 4/17

Regarding informed consent before provision of certain medical treatments & exemptions from COVID-19 vax requirements. Protects patient facing compulsion/coercion. Prevents adverse actions/penalties being imposed against individuals for refusing C-19 vax. Empowers TX AG to bring suit against individuals violating this bill. Authorizes a court to issue an injunction & take steps to prevent repeat violations. Damages up to \$5,000

29) ++ SB 301 Hall - SENATE PASSED, 4/20

Regarding prescribing, administering, or dispensing ivermectin or hydroxychloroquine sulfate

30) ++ SB 403 Springer, COA Hall - Passed by Senate Health & Human Services, 4/17

++ HB 1313 - House Public Health hearing, 3/20

(very similar) Burrows, COA Bell/Bumgarner/Cain/Cook/Gerdes/Harris/Hefner/Isaac/Jetton/Orr/Spiller/Swanson/Vasut

Regarding a study on the adverse reactions & efficacy of COVID-19 vaccines

#### ++ INTERNET, MINORS HEALTH & SAFETY

31) ++ SB 2021 Paxton, COA Kolkhorst/Menéndez/Middleton - PASSED SENATE, 4/18

++ SB 2164 (identical to HB 3585) - In Senate State Affairs, 3/22

++ HB 3570 (similar) Schatzline/Ordaz/Schaefer/Johnson, 37 COA - Passed by House Youth Health & Safety, Select, 4/13

++ HB 3585 (similar) Leo-Wilson, COA Metcalf/Swanson - To House Youth Health & Safety, Select, 3/16

Regarding requirements for certain Internet websites containing sexual material harmful to minors; provides civil penalty

#### Legislative Links:

<https://www.congress.gov/>

TX Legislature [TLO \(texas.gov\)](https://www.tlo.texas.gov/)

[88th LP Bill List - Republican Party of Texas \(texasgop.org\)](https://www.texasgop.org/)

[Texas Immunization Exemptions | TX DSHS](https://www.txdsos.gov/)

[Operation Lone Star \(texas.gov\)](https://www.operationlonestar.com/)

[Todd Bensman - From Journalism to Counterterrorism Intelligence and Back](https://www.toddbensman.com/)

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

[www.reformaustin.org](https://www.reformaustin.org/)

[National Federation of Republican Women \(nfrw.org\)](https://www.nfrw.org/)

[Legislative Priorities - Republican Party of Texas \(texasgop.org\)](https://www.texasgop.org/)

[Texas Freedom Caucus \(freedomfortexas.com\)](https://www.freedomfortexas.com/)

[Home - Texas Military Department](https://www.txmilitary.com/)

[TX Facilities Commission <https://www.tfc.texas.gov/>](https://www.tfc.texas.gov/)

[Texas Scorecard](https://www.texas-scorecard.com/)

[The New American - That Freedom Shall Not Perish](https://www.thenewamerican.com/)

[Home - Real America's Voice News \(americasvoice.news\)](https://www.americasvoice.news/)

[The Gateway Pundit](https://www.thegatewaypundit.com/)

[Babylon Bee | Fake News You Can Trust](https://www.babylonbee.com/)

[Texas Public Policy Foundation \[https://\]\(https://www.texaspublicpolicy.com/\)](https://www.texaspublicpolicy.com/)

[Parents Matter \(txparentsmatter.com\)](https://www.txparentsmatter.com/)

[Home | Public Interest Legal Foundation](https://www.publicinterestlegal.org/)

[Steve Bannon's War Room: Pandemic - We welcome all Deplorables](https://www.steviebannon.com/)

[The Epoch Times - Truth & Tradition. Fact Based. Unbiased. Accurate News](https://www.theepochtimes.com/)

[Townhall : Conservative News, Cartoons, Top Stories & Commentary](https://www.townhall.com/)

[www.texaspolicy.com/](https://www.texaspolicy.com/)

[The Hill - covering Congress, Politics, Political Campaigns and Capitol Hill](https://www.thehill.com/)

[Texans for Strong Borders - Advancing sane immigration policies](https://www.texansforstrongborders.com/)

\*\* Survey: Please send [three\\_bells@earthlink.net](mailto:three_bells@earthlink.net) brief message indicating if you accessed this report. Thanks, JB

\*\* Additional links available upon request

# Campaign Activities—May 2023



## Reporting Hours

**You can report hours monthly (click here):**

Look at your calendars/phones at all of your hours. If you have not started reporting your volunteer hours this year, now is the time to start. With the new changes, we may now include hours worked as election clerks, election judges, making phone calls and time spent working for candidates as long as you are not employed by them. Don't forget your travel time to and from events, and any preparations for those meetings or events. Our Galveston County GOP Headquarters has been open and will be reopening again soon just a few offices down. Please **don't forget to volunteer and keep a record of your hours spent**. Awards will be given by TFRW and NFRW to members and clubs volunteering **and reporting** the most hours.

As a reminder...New Categories for Reporting Hours and what to include:

1. **CALLING**

Include all calls for any political activities, such as initiatives or ballot questions.  
Dialing apps will record the number of calls you have made, or you can use your best estimate.

2. **POLITICAL HOURS**

When in doubt, count the hour and round up to the closest whole hour.  
Travel time to and from the activity.  
Research and development of the activity (Example: Social media posts / letters to the editor).  
Preparation and breakdown of activity hours collected are on a best estimate basis.

3. **PRIMARY and ASSOCIATE MEMBERS** hours are counted.

All volunteer political activities, whether paid or unpaid (Example: paid election worker or poll watcher), are eligible.  
\*Individuals who are salaried campaign and/or GOP professional staff do not qualify (i.e., those who earn their living by being employed in politics).

### EXAMPLES OF ACTIVITIES

- ◆ All time spent at Club, Region, State, and National Federation meetings or conventions (in person or virtual).
- ◆ All campaign activities benefiting the Federation (TFRW), the Republican Party, or Republican candidates.
- ◆ Attendance at all Republican events, including Rallies, Lincoln Day Dinners, even if tickets were purchased for attendance.
- ◆ Running for Office (partisan or non-partisan) as a Republican Candidate.
- ◆ Walking precincts, preparing letters to the editor or elected officials, any phone calls, radio, TV and social media appearances, posting to social media, voter registration, writing or editing a digital or hardcopy club newsletter, attendance at rallies.
- ◆ Working on any aspect of a Republican campaign (partisan or non-partisan) .
- ◆ Working on Republican ballot questions, initiatives, or petitions.
- ◆ Time spent serving as an elected member of your Local, County, State or National Party Committee.
- ◆ Attending, preparing for, or volunteering at Club, Region, State, and National Federation meetings or conventions.
- ◆ Attending, preparing for, or volunteering at meetings or conventions of the Local, County, State, and National Republican Party or local meetings or conventions.
- ◆ Working at a Local, County, State, National Republican office.
- ◆ Working at a Local, County, State, National Republican candidate or elected official's office as a volunteer.
- ◆ Working as an Election Officer, Poll Watcher, Challenger, or Election Integrity worker.
- ◆ All campaign activities benefiting our Republican Party, candidates, and/or the Federation (TFRW).
- ◆ Time spent making political and campaign calls.
- ◆ Any other political or campaign activities.

Please go to the Campaign Activities/Volunteer Hours page on our website here and submit the hours that you added up.

Our website also has a convenient list of all of the updated activities that you may count as volunteer hours.

We look forward to hearing from each of you and we thank you for all of your work in keeping Galveston County and Texas **RED**.

**Debra Niblack**  
**CCRW Campaign Activities Chairman**  
**niblackdebra@gmail.com**

**For additional information and to SUBMIT HOURS click here!**



# Secretary's Minutes - April 2023

## Clear Creek Republican Women General Meeting La Brisa Cantina April 07, 2023

- Call to Order:** President Martha Bosworth called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m.
- Invocation:** Given by Nisha Roady, Chaplain.
- Pledges:** Led by Scott Bowen, CCISD Board Trustee.
- Welcome and Introductions:** Martha Bosworth had elected officials and candidates introduce themselves and then she introduced the guests.
- Treasurer's Report:** Martha Bosworth reported our total balance from Home Bank is \$15,581.17.
- Campaign Activities:** Debra Niblack reminded members to submit their volunteer hours.
- Approval of Minutes:** Minutes were approved as circulated by newsletter.
- Membership Report:** Della Brown gave Membership update and said that we currently have 70 Full Members and 23 Associate Members in CCRW. She discussed how the number of delegates invited to attend the TFRW Biennial Convention is based on how many members we have.
- Legislative:** Janet Bell highlighted the many important bills that are going through the Texas House and Senate. For example, HB 900 regulates books with "sexually explicit material" to be sold to/already included in public school libraries. Also, SB 2 that makes illegal voting a criminal felony offense.
- Literacy/Caring for America:** Joyce Sears announced that at the August meeting, CCRW will be collecting school supplies. She said she will be posting reminders on the CCRW Facebook page.
- Events Report:** Lanette Lashway announced that the Deputy Voter Registrar Training for Galveston County will be held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of April at 10:00 am at the Galveston County Courthouse.
- Programs:** Cinnamon Scully introduced our panel of CCISD School Board Trustee Candidates. They were Glencora Rodgers and Jamieson MacKay, Position 2; and Peter Lauzon, Position 3. The candidates answered questions previously submitted to Cinnamon Scully regarding school safety, CRT in our schools, internet safety and how bond money should be spent.
- New Business:** Della Brown said next month we will be honoring our Law Enforcement and that several LEOs will be there to include a K9 Unit. It will also be Kentucky Derby Hat Day (Running our Race for 2024). She said there is a volunteer opportunity in the Newsletter regarding the Galveston County Republican Float.
- Adjourn:** Martha Bosworth adjourned the meeting at 1:02 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted by Caroline Brazzel, Recording Secretary**

# Literacy and Caring for America—May 2023

## ONGOING IS OUR CARE FOR THOSE WHO ARE SERVING ON THE BORDER

Constable Precinct 4 is deploying deputies to the border almost weekly to assist the United States Border Patrol with securing our border. These deputies are deployed for a full week.

The Constable's office will accept individually wrapped snacks: candy, cereal, chips, cookies, etc., as well as bottled water.

*Please bring your treats to:*

Constable Justin West's office:  
174 Calder Rd, Suite 127  
League City, TX 77573

*Contact me if you have treats that need to be picked up:  
([jsears389@gmail.com](mailto:jsears389@gmail.com))*



## SUPPORTING OUR K-9S WHO SUPPORT OUR OFFICERS IN THEIR MISSION TO PROTECT THE COMMUNITY

**K-9 Missions: Apprehension; Search and Rescue; Detection – drugs, explosives, accelerant, crime scene evidence.**

CCRW's fundraiser is to help purchase equipment for Galveston Police Department's new K-9.

The entire law enforcement community benefits from well trained and well equipped K-9s. At the February CCRW meeting we raised \$485, which was combined with a previous \$500 donation.

Please contact our Literacy and Caring for Americas Chair Joyce Sears at [jsears389@gmail.com](mailto:jsears389@gmail.com) if you would like to donate or reach out to her at a meeting!

## AUGUST SCHOOL SUPPLIES DONATION DRIVE WILL BE HERE BEFORE YOU KNOW IT!!

I know August seems like months away, but May is our last meeting before school supplies donations are due.

If you have any donations that need to be picked up, email me ( [jsears389@gmail.com](mailto:jsears389@gmail.com) ) and I will be there.

Thank you for your participation.

### Suggestions:

Highlighters

Scissors

Large Erasers

Pencil Sharpeners

Black, Blue & Red Pens

Glue Bottles

Notebooks

Folders

Folders

Binders - 1 and 2 Inches

Pencil Pouches

Plastic School Boxes



Again, thank you for all your participation.

**Joyce Sears**

**Literacy and Caring for America, Chair**

# GALVESTON COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!!!

## League City Musical Festival Galveston County GOP Booth!

Friday, May 5th and Saturday, May 6th  
Set Up Fri 3 p.m. Take Down Sat. Midnight  
Contact Mark Brown  
(832) 297-2450 or markcbrown77@gmail.com

## Honoring our Law Enforcement for National Police Week!

May 15th 2:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.  
Contact Della Brown  
(281) 725-1052 or noblegermannurse@gmail.com



## Galveston County Republican Party

### Volunteers needed for the booth at League City Music Festival

Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> & Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>  
Walter Hall Park  
807 State Hwy 3, League City, Texas 77573

♪ Set-up Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 3PM ♪ Take down Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at Midnight (Sunday) ♪

♪ Pass out push cards ♪ Register voters ♪ Enjoy the festival ♪

Contact: Mark Brown 832-297-2450 markcbrown77@gmail.com

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

### Galveston County Republican Party

The Galveston County Republican Party needs volunteers. In honor of National Police Week, we will host a booth for a police appreciation crawfish boil. We will provide grab-and-go desserts, voter registration cards, and Galveston County Republican Party push cards.

Date: Monday, May 15, 2023  
Time: 2:30PM-9:30PM (2:30PM-6:30PM or 6:30PM-9:30PM)  
Location: Pook's Crawfish Hole  
4015 FM 646  
Santa Fe, Texas 77510

#### Volunteer Needs:

- **Bakers** - Cookies, Brownies, Cake balls
- **Texas Deputy Voter Registrars** - register voters
- **Smiling Faces** - Represent GCRP by passing out push cards
- **Muscles** - Set-up (2:30PM) & Take-down (9:00PM) -Tent/Table/Chairs
- **Thankful Hearts** - Thank police officers for their service

Contact: Della Brown  
(281)725-1052 noblegermannurse@gmail.com



# May 2023

## MEETING CALENDAR FOR AREA REPUBLICAN WOMEN CLUBS

Galveston County Republican Party Comprehensive List  
[galvestoncntygop.com/republican-groups/](http://galvestoncntygop.com/republican-groups/)

Bay Area Republican Women—4th Tuesday of the month 7:30am  
at Bay Oaks Country Club, Clear Lake  
<https://barw.org/meetings>

Texas Gulf Coast Republican Women—3rd Monday of the month  
6:30p Friendswood Chamber of Commerce

Galveston Republican Women—Beginning March, meetings are the  
3rd Wednesday of the month 11am— Location TBD  
<http://www.galvestonrepublicanwomen.com/>

West Pearland Republican Women—1st Thursday of the month  
6pm—Spring Creek BBQ, Pearland  
<http://wprw.org/>



## May 2023 BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to each of you who celebrate in May!  
If your birthday isn't listed, it is because the information was not on your  
membership form.



Della Brown	02
Georgia Young	02
Robert Lott	08
Paula Morris	09
Brianna Reilly	11
Barbara Meeks	27
Hon. Tom Crews	30



**April 07, 2023**  
**CCRW Meeting**  
**La Brisa**  
**CCISD Candidate Forum**



**Clear Creek Republican Women Representing at the Galveston Republican Women luncheon.**



# Additional Resources

## Elected Officials Contact Information

### Additional Resources

GOP Meetings & Resource Links

State Government Resources

Acronyms – Ever hear an acronym and say, “What does that stand for?”

## Senate District 11 Committee Appointments 88th Legislative Session

### Senator Mayes Middleton

- ◆ Higher Education, Subcommittee - Vice Chair
- ◆ Administration
- ◆ Business & Commerce
- ◆ Education
- ◆ Jurisprudence
- ◆ State Affairs

### Representative Greg Bonnen

- ◆ Appropriations, Chair
- ◆ Select Committee on Healthcare Reform

### Representative Briscoe Cain

- ◆ Agriculture & Livestock, Chair
- ◆ Insurance

### Representative Dennis Paul

- ◆ Higher Education, Vice Chair
- ◆ Insurance
- ◆ Local & Consent Calendars
- ◆

### Representative Ed Thompson

- ◆ Appropriations
- ◆ Calendars
- ◆ Natural Resources, Vice Chair

### Representative Cody Vasut

- ◆ Business & Industry, Vice Chair
- ◆ Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence

### Representative Terri Leo Wilson

- ◆ Juvenile Justice & Family Issues

Call To Action with Toni Anne Dashiell – RNC National Committeewoman

88th Texas Legislature Zoom Series

Fridays at 07:00 a.m.

[Click here to see past TAD Talks and Subscribe to Receive Emails to Register for the Zoom TAD Talks.](#)

# 2022 Texas GOP Priorities

These priorities were chosen by over 5,000 voting delegates at the state convention, June 13-18, 2022 in Houston, Texas. Delegates were presented with a [list of 15 topics selected by the Legislative Priorities Committee](#) after a comprehensive review of resolutions passed at the precinct and senate district levels of the convention process. Delegates were allowed to vote on 8 topics, which became the official Legislative Priorities of the Republican Party of Texas.

## 1. Protect our Elections:

Restore felony penalties and enact civil penalties for Election Code violations, which shall be enforceable by any Texas jurisdiction, including the Texas Attorney General. Require citizenship verification of each voter. Restrict the distribution of mail-in ballots to only disabled, military, and citizens that are out of state. Reduce the time allowed for early voting, and eliminate the three-day gap between early voting and election day. Establish closed primaries in Texas. As technology evolves, we encourage the passage of legislation that ensures the security of our elections.

## 2. Secure the Border and Protect Texans:

Texas shall immediately deny all taxpayer funded services and subsidies to illegal aliens. We call upon the Governor to assert his duty under Article 1, Section 10, Clause 3 of the US Constitution to declare an invasion on our Texas border and do everything in his power to protect Texans from this invasion. The legislature shall direct the Governor to enter into an Interstate Compact with one or more states for Border Security.

## 3. Ban Gender Modification of Children:

Texas must ban chemical castration, puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, genital mutilation, bodily alteration surgery, psychological/social transitioning, and any other methods applied to or performed on children.

## 4. Stop Sexualizing Texas Kids:

Repeal Texas Penal Code "Obscenity Exemption" 43.24(c), which allows children access to harmful, explicit, or pornographic materials and 43.25(f)(2 3), which allows sexual performance by a child. In addition, prohibit teaching, exposure, and/or discussion of sexual matters (mechanics, feelings, orientation, or "gender identity" issues), and prohibit use or provision of related books and other materials using criminal, civil or other enforcement measures.

## 5. Ban Democrat Chairs:

To ensure all legislative Republican priorities are given a fair opportunity to become law, the Republican-controlled Texas legislature shall adopt a rule that would end the practice of awarding committee chairmanships to Democrats.

## 6. Abolish Abortion in Texas:

Abolish abortion by ensuring the right to life and equal protection of the laws to all preborn children from the moment of fertilization, including adopting effective tools to ensure the enforcement of our laws to protect life when district attorneys fail to do so.

## 7. Defend Our Gun Rights:

Protect our gun rights against threats, such as red flag laws, federal, state or other restrictions, by strengthening and preserving our inalienable rights under the second amendment to protect our life, liberty and property. The Texas Legislature should eliminate gun-free zones.

## 8. Parental Rights and Educational Freedom:

Parents are the primary decision makers for their children in all matters. This authority shall be protected as an inalienable right. This shall include the choice of schooling where the money follows the child without strings attached, and enforcement and penalty mechanisms when parents' rights are violated. The right to education shall be free from any social theories.

## REACH OUT TO CCRW ON THE WEB

Our website has a lot of information we keep up to date as possible for you. Please browse around and let Kristen Day know if you find anything incorrect or needs to be updated.

Want to be in the know, get our monthly updates via our Mailchimp email list? Be sure to sign up at the top of most pages where it says "Subscribe to our Mailing List:" and enter your first and last name and email. You only have to do it once. If you have done it before but no longer getting our emails, we likely have hit your junk/spam folder. You'll need to white label our domain "clearcreekrw.org" and make sure we aren't listed as junk and then you should continue getting our emails.



## Social Media

Growth is GREAT and with it comes change, so we are rolling with it.



The CCRW Facebook group just updated the rules – we now require you to be a member of our club (Full or Associate) in order to post.

We will still moderate them to keep them relevant and polite as our focus is to inform, not to further divide our party/club. We also still request that you limit your posts to 1x/week and the best way to get to know the members is to come to our meetings or events throughout the year. Please do NOT send your posts to us, you may post directly to the group, we will approve them, as long as you are current member

You can join quickly and immediately just by going to our Membership page, filling out the form and making your modest \$35 payment for 2023.

# Membership Chair

2023 Membership Applications are available at each meeting or save time and paper and fill one out on our website [www.clearcreekrw.org](http://www.clearcreekrw.org). There needs to be a form filled out by every Member and Associate Member each calendar year, even if your information remains the same. The club must stay in compliance with the Texas Ethics Commission. We appreciate your understanding. You may click on the following link to complete your membership application on our website:

<http://www.clearcreekrw.org/become-a-member/>



**Clear Creek Republican Women PAC  
Galveston County, Texas  
2023 Membership Application**

**\* INFORMATION IN BOLD IS REQUIRED BY TFRW – PLEASE BE SURE TO COMPLETE!**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Spouse Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_ **Home?** \_\_\_ **Cell?** \_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Occupation** \_\_\_\_\_ **Birthday (Month/Day)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Full Member \$35.00** \_\_\_\_\_ **New Member** \_\_\_\_\_ **Renewal** \_\_\_\_\_

**Associate Member \$20.00** \_\_\_\_\_ (Member of another RW Club or a Male)

**Have you voted in a recent Republican Primary?** Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ **When?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Member of another RW Club?** Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ **If yes, which RW Club?** \_\_\_\_\_

**How did you hear about CCRW?** Website \_\_\_ Facebook \_\_\_ **Newspaper (which)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Friend (Name)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Other** \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to help with the following (Please check all that interest you)

Audits \_\_\_ Awards \_\_\_ By-Laws \_\_\_ Campaign Activities \_\_\_ Caring for America \_\_\_ Directory \_\_\_ Events \_\_\_  
Fundraising \_\_\_ Hospitality \_\_\_ Legislative \_\_\_ Literacy \_\_\_ Newsletter \_\_\_ Outreach \_\_\_ Parliamentarian \_\_\_  
Publicity \_\_\_ Social Media \_\_\_ Website \_\_\_

**Hobbies/Areas of Interest/Comments** \_\_\_\_\_

**I'll save the Club money and take an electronic directory** \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail with check payable to:  
**CCRW PAC, P.O. Box 2171, League City, TX 77574-2171**

**Date Paid** \_\_\_\_\_ **Check#** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cash** \_\_\_\_\_ **Amt. Paid** \_\_\_\_\_

Dues and Donations are not deductible as charitable contributions for Federal income tax purposes  
Corporate Payments Are Not Permitted

# CCRW Name Badge Order



Badge Size 3" x 1-1/2" white with magnet back • Color CCRW logo

*Your info printed Black --or --Blue (circle choice, black is default)*

**\$15** delivered to CCRW meeting • **\$17 Delivered (Includes sales tax)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Line #2: *this could be last name*

Line #3 \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail Order & Check to: o: **Taylor MacQuen Advertising**  
**2951 Marina Bay Dr., Ste 130-#238 • League City TX 77573**

*\*\* include email, or phone number in case of questions\*\**

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