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## GALVESTON REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Message from the President

March 2024

**MARCH – “In like a Lion, Out like a Lamb”** – I don’t think so!

We have chosen our candidates, NOW WHAT? We can expect deceptions, bad actors and outright lies from the media. We can expect Democrat’s well-greased machine to kick into high gear. With over 65 elections around the world in 2024, much is at stake. Some foreign elections will be decided long before a single vote is cast; others, however; offer opportunities for true and positive change. Pray for elections in our local, state, national leadership and those in other countries around the world. We’re in for a rocky ride.

Because our actions this year are vital, please attend **“Nuts & Bolts”** with us on **Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at 8:30 am** at the Trini Mendenhall Community Center at 1414 Wirt Road, Houston. Republican Women who share our values come together to work and plan. We will carpool, so let us know and join us. **Registration in Newsletter.**

As a result of our outreach to Texas A&M Galveston, some of us were invited to a small meeting on 2/20/24 at the Galveston-Texas City Pilots Association Building where we met with US Congressman, Ronny Jackson (R-TX 13<sup>th</sup> District) along with some student leaders. What an informative meeting; if only I could listen as fast as he could talk! He was open and responsive to all of our questions. District 13 in the Texas Panhandle is now facing devastation. **Galveston & GRW cares** - the following information will help facilitate any contributions you might wish to send to that part of Texas. <https://jackson.house.gov/panhandle-wildfire-relief>



Attend your Precinct Convention next Saturday, March 9.  
Galveston’s will meet at The Rosenberg Library at 9 am  
Leading Pledges – Everyone who attended their Precinct Convention

See you at our meeting on March 20

*Sylvia*



## ‘PLUG IN WHERE WE FIT BEST’ WORKSHOP

Held Monday, February 26th  
Time: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM  
Place: Bayou Vista MUD 12  
Building, Bayou Vista

### “Plugged-In Workshop”

The workshop was very productive.  
Stay Tuned and Look forward to a Fun-Filled year

GRW has some specific needs. Let us know if you can help or know someone who will.

- 1) Decorations, Janice Broussard - Janice does a great job decorating for our luncheons but she needs a committee to gather table decorations and load them back up after each luncheon. Fun and easy job.
- 2) Treasurer, Tina Kirbie - Tina does so much for us. She keeps our books, pays our bills and keeps us in compliance with our PAC. She takes and confirms reservations for events. Tina needs an understudy. Someone who likes numbers and details would be perfect.
- 3) Website, Tess Stone - Tess is a willing and competent website manager; but she needs a helper or understudy as well.
- 4) Special Events and Fundraising, Sandra Pollock & Carol Jean Mulrain – Fun and interesting events are on the horizon and we can use your help and the help of all your friends.
- 5) Membership, Linda Dreith – Linda and her committee need help checking people in and she also needs an understudy.
- 6) Newsletter, Joyce Bell – Joyce is looking for a creative graphics person to help with our Newsletter
- 7) Community Outreach, we do not currently have this position filled. Our underserved communities and younger conservatives need to know we care about them. We need a committee to help make this happen.
- 8) GET OUT THE VOTE! – We all need to be on this committee!

### What interests you?

Contact Sylvia Horne 713-252-0858 or [sylviahorne@yahoo.com](mailto:sylviahorne@yahoo.com)

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### Volunteer Hours

Please report your February  
hours to Irene Henry  
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# GALVESTON REPUBLICAN WOMEN LUNCHEON MEETING

Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
San Luis Resort Hotel – Grand Ballroom  
5222 Seawall Blvd, Galveston

Reception 11:15 a.m. - Luncheon Meeting 12:00 Noon

\$30pp cash/check; \$33pp credit card

**RSVP ONLY - WE CAN NO LONGER ACCEPT WALK-INS**

## *DOOR PRIZE*

*1 ticket for each attendee*

*2 tickets for member with guest*

*3 tickets for member with guest who joins GRW*

*Reservation must be cancelled by March 17<sup>th</sup> in order not to be charged, as the hotel holds us responsible for headcount after this date.*

## **\*\*\* LUNCHEON MENU \*\*\***

Wedge Salad with Tomatoes, Bacon, Grated Cheddar Cheese, Ranch or Italian Dressing, Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Seasoned Green Beans, Freshly Baked Bread and Butter, Apple Pie with Whipped Cream, Iced Tea, Coffee and Water

***\*\*SPECIAL DIET REQUESTS MUST BE MADE WITH RSVP \*\****

## **PROGRAM SPEAKER: Tara Petsch**

- Texas Ambassador for Moms for Liberty
  - Wife and Mother of 4
  - Former Public School Teacher and Administrator
  - Current Chairman Gillespie County Chapter of Moms for Liberty
- Mission: Enrich, educate, and empower parents, policy makers, and the public on issues impacting the future of America.

**RSVP by MARCH 17<sup>TH</sup> to Tina Kirbie:  
[rkirbie@comcast.net](mailto:rkirbie@comcast.net) or Tel: 713.504.0304**





**Getting to Know....**

## **Carol Jean Mulrain**

**Co-Chair  
Fund Raising**

Carol Jean Mulrain is a member of the Galveston County Republican Women. She is an active member and officer in numerous other groups and organizations both in Houston and in Galveston, some of which include Delphian Beta Chi Chapter, Delphian Past Presidents, Delphian Board of the University of Houston, Beta Study Club, Master Gardeners, Texas Tourist Ambassadors, Galveston Historical Foundation, Board Member at Moody Gardens, International Oleander Society, Laffite Society, The Italian Cultural and Community Center, The Krewe of Gambrinus and The Bryan Museum to name but a few. During her over forty years of activity in the professional field, she worked for three separate employers in three differing industries, each for better than a decade. She was the Director of Food Services for a State University, a Vice President of US Operations for an International Australian corporation in the construction industry and was a Vice President of Human Resources for a Dutch/Belgium International company, which was involved in the Maritime Industry. Carol Jean holds a B.A., M.B.A. and a S.P.H.R. She is now retired and happily enjoying Island Life in Galveston.

### ***New Name tags***



Name tags are available to order. They may be purchased at a cost of \$10.00. See Jane Rigsby for more information.

### **Treasurer's Report**

**Tina Kirbie, Treasurer  
Cash Balance Ending  
February 29, 2024  
\$32,784.00**

**Remember to Keep Track of Your**

**POLITICAL AND CAMPAIGN VOLUNTEER HOURS**

**Please turn your February hours into Irene Henry  
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## March 2024 Legislative Report Vice President Wanda Buttner

Created and written by Joyce Bell

Since the Texas Legislature is not in session,  
and we have just completed a very important Primary Election,  
let's talk about the **difference** between  
**being a Democracy**  
and **being a Constitutional Republic.**

Collin Allred is the Democrat who will run against Ted Cruz for the very important U.S. Senate Seat in November. If you watch the Five O'clock News, you will note that Collin Allred wants to "Save our Democracy".

### **Is that a good idea?**

Our forefathers worked together to establish a Constitutional Republic to protect our Country from the evils that flow from Democracy. . Real Liberty is not found in a Democracy. Since the Great Depression and FDR, the Country has bent the language and the Constitution to allow acceptance of the word "Democracy" as our form of Government. The Constitution does not use the word "Democracy", nor does the Declaration of Independence, or Bill of Rights. **We pledge our allegiance to the Republic.**

### **DEMOCRACY**

The main ideal of a Democracy is Universal Equality

Democracy translates as 'Rule of the Masses".

In a Democracy, citizens elect representatives at the poles

### **CONSTITUTIONAL REPUBLIC**

The main ideal of a Constitutional Republic is Individual Liberty.

Elected officials are held accountable for the Rules they make for the masses.

In a Republic, citizens elect representatives at the poles

The Electoral College component of our Constitutional Republic is very important to our individual Liberty. We really cannot afford to lose it.

The famous question asked of Benjamin Franklin was 'What type of Government have we created?' His reply was, "A Constitutional Republic, if you can keep it." The subversion of language and manipulation of the Constitution over time is creating the acceptance of a Democracy. We must stand up for our Republic.

# **GALVESTON REPUBLICAN WOMEN**

**Wednesday, February 20, 2024**

San Luis Hotel – GRAND BALLROOM  
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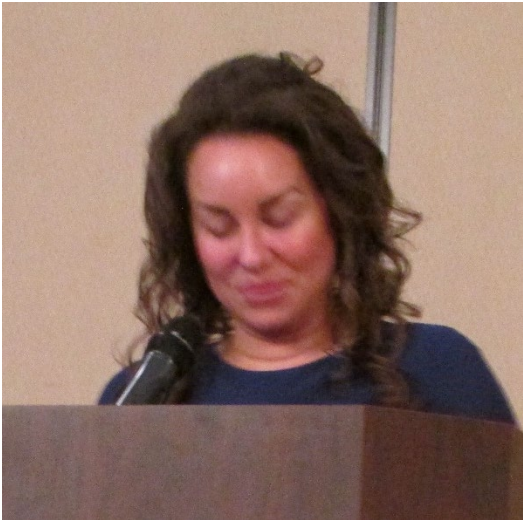
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After the pledges they introduced themselves.



Brenda Weber T'Neil Walea



Speaker T'Neil Walea  
Spoke on Artificial Intelligence

## Wednesday, February 20, 2024 Meeting Continued....



Brenda's Team Teacher Brenda Weber



Roxann Lewis Debi Roan Kim Bonnen Della Brown



Cathy Abernathy Jan Broussard



Jan's Decorations



Jack Ewing Kim Bonnen



Beverly Davis Clayton Dreith



George Najarian Lizette Gaudin



Terri O'Connell Doug Matthews



Ryan Caruso Debra Jackson Justin West



Harry Elmendorf Andy Horne Joe Giusti



**Wednesday, February 20, 2024 Meeting Continued....**



**Sylvia Horne Sandra Pollack Marcy Hanson**



**Cathy Fredrickson Jack Ewing**



**Mary Jo Naschke**



**Sandra Pollack**



# **GALVESTON REPUBLICAN WOMEN**

## **Minutes**

**Wednesday, February 20, 2024**

**San Luis Hotel – GRAND BALLROOM**

**5222 Seawall Blvd., Galveston**

**President Sylvia Horne opened the meeting at 12:00 noon** and welcomed all.

**Debra Jackson, Chaplain**, led us in an opening prayer.

Sylvia then asked the Precinct Chairs and all candidates to lead us in the pledges. After the pledges they introduced themselves.

### **Announcements from the Podium:**

1. The “Plugged In” Planning Committee will meet at 10:00, Monday, February 26 2024, at Galveston’s East End Historical Cottage at 1501 Postoffice St. Those interested raised their hands and Board Member Jeannie Koenig went to tables to sign up and give directions. Refreshments provided.
2. Sylvia has two extra tickets for Galveston’s Hope Pregnancy Center Fundraiser Gala held Thursday, February 29 in the Grand Ballroom of the St. Luis Hotel.
3. Also, from Sylvia, PLEASE – RSVP to the luncheon meetings in a timely manner. We will no longer be able to accommodate Walk-Ins.
4. Andy Mann, County Chair, the County Convention will meet 9:00 a.m. at Rosenberg Library on Saturday March 23<sup>rd</sup>.
5. Roxann Lewis, Texas Federation Republican Women, Republican Texas Convention will meet May 23 – 25 at Precinct Center in San Antonio

**Brenda Weber, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Programs** introduced our speaker for today. T’Neil Walea, Director of Innovative Technology for the Federal Government at Micossoft:

Topic - “Can Anything Good Come Out of Artificial Intelligence”

Brenda Weber thanked our speaker, gave her a “thank-you” gift.

President, Sylvia Horne adjourned the meeting at 1:00

Respectively Submitted

Lizette Gaudin, Recording Secretary

# Calendar of Events

**This Month, March 20th, Everyone who attended their Precinct Convention will lead the pledge.**

## Save The Date

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Monday</b>	<b>Galveston Republican Women Board Meeting</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday</b>	<b>Galveston Republican Women Meeting</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Thursday</b>	<b>Tri-County Republican Women</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs.</b>	<b>Galveston Island Pachyderm Club</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Thursday</b>	<b>West Pearland Republican Women</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Friday,</b>	<b>Clear Creek Republican Women</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday</b>	<b>Mid-County Republican Network</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Monday</b>	<b>Texas Gulf Coast Republican Women</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday</b>	<b>The Republican Network of Galveston County</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday</b>	<b>Bay Area Republican Women</b>

## Republican Contacts:

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Galveston Island Pachyderms: [www.galvestonpachyderms.org](http://www.galvestonpachyderms.org)

Clear Creek Republican Women: [www.clearcreekrw.org](http://www.clearcreekrw.org)

Mid-County Republican Network: [Facebook](#)

Tri-County Republican Women: [Facebook](#)

West Pearland Republican Women: [www.wprw.org](http://www.wprw.org)

Texas Gulf Coast Republican Women: [www.tgcr.org](http://www.tgcr.org)

Galveston County Republican Party: [www.galvestoncntygop.com](http://www.galvestoncntygop.com)

Greater Houston Council: [www.ghcfrwpac.org](http://www.ghcfrwpac.org)

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

Republican National Committee: [www.gop.com](http://www.gop.com)

Republican Network of Galveston County: [Facebook](#)

Republican Party of Texas: [texasgop.org](http://texasgop.org)

Republican Hispanic Citizens in Action: [Facebook](#)

Republican National Hispanic Assembly: [www.rnha.org](http://www.rnha.org)

Texas Federation of Republican Women: [www.tfrw.org](http://www.tfrw.org)

Teenage Republicans: [teenagerepublicans.org](http://teenagerepublicans.org)

Texas Public Policy Foundation: [www.texaspolicy.co](http://www.texaspolicy.co)

Young Republicans of Galveston County: [Facebook](#)

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## 2024 Membership Chair Linda Dreith

<b>2024</b>	<b>(as of February 29, 2024)</b>	<b>Membership.....</b>	<b>105</b>
		<b>Regular Members</b>	<b>63</b>
		<b>Associate</b>	<b>42</b>



# GRW-PAC MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION 2024

Dues for the 2024 Membership Year are payable NOW.

Please complete the membership information and return this form with your check payable to GRW-PAC to:

Tina Kirbie  
908 Layfair Place  
Friendswood, Texas 77546

(No business/corporate checks please)

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

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City and State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Senate District # \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Newsletters are sent electronically.

### Select Type of Membership:

Regular Member (\$45) \_\_\_\_\_

Associate Member (\$20) \_\_\_\_\_

- Women who are a member of another TFRW Organization  
Please print name of Organization \_\_\_\_\_
- Men who wish to be associated with GRW.
- Young women (Age 13 thru 17 years) designated Young Affiliates

Referred By: \_\_\_\_\_

### I am willing to help with the following committee(s):

_____ Awards	_____ Finance	_____ Membership
_____ Bylaws	_____ Fund-Raising	_____ Phone
_____ Campaign Activities	_____ Get Out the Vote	_____ Program
_____ Community Service	_____ Legislative	_____ Public Relations
_____ Other (please specify your interest) _____		

### For GRW use only:

Cash/Check amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ E-mail List

\_\_\_\_\_ TFRW Submission #