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## President's Message

*Beverly Gatlin, President*

The 88th Legislative Session is still going on in Texas and there is still much work to be done! Legislation will run until May 29<sup>th</sup>.

There will be a lot more bills coming through, so pay close attention and make those phone calls and send those emails. I've been hearing that some bills sound good, but when you drill down, they are bad. YOUR voice is important!

Follow bills at Texas Legislature Online <https://capitol.texas.gov/>

It's almost time for our local elections. Our own Jennifer Zarate, Membership Chair who is also the Chair of the Victory Committee for the Ellis County GOP has been busy along with her committee members, vetting most of the Republican Candidates that would like an endorsement from the EC GOP. The last of the candidates will be presented to the GOP Executive Committee on Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> to be voted on. If you are interested in seeing the list of candidates that will be endorsed, please go to [elliscountygop.org](http://elliscountygop.org).

Let's keep working on the RPT Legislative Priorities!

## April Program – Election Integrity

The Ellis County Republican Women will convene at 6:30p.m. on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at the Waxahachie Chamber of Commerce, 102 YMCA Dr. in Waxahachie.

Our election system is broken. There have been widespread cases of fraudulent activity that has occurred with elections in various areas of our great state, and in other states across our country as well. What is being done about this?

Multiple bills have been filed in the Texas House and the Senate to make our elections safe and secure. Just last month the Texas Senate passed a bill to make illegal voting a felony again. This is good, and this is a start, but there is so much more that can be done. *See Program Page 3*

## Membership Report

Welcome back to all the renewing members. Currently, we have 34 members and 11 associate members. Spring into action this April and take a minute to activate your Texas Federation of Republican Women login at <https://tfrw.org>. This will help ensure TFRW has your correct email address. If you have any problems logging on you can reach out on the TFRW website. You can also reach out to me for help.

It's not too late to renew your membership after the March 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. We are anticipating some renewals at the upcoming fundraiser April 5<sup>th</sup>. If you are attending the fundraiser, and you most definitely should, bring a method of payment for renewal. We accept cash, check, card, or Zelle.

Thank you for keeping your dues current and staying an active part of Ellis County Republican Women.

Wishing everyone a happy spring,

Jennifer Zarate,  
VP Membership

*Happy Easter!*

*Wishing you a blessed  
and Happy Easter!*

## Campaign Activities Report

IF you have been a Volunteer Deputy Registrar in the past your appointment expired on December 31, 2022. You will need to retrain to be a Deputy Registrar for the 2024 Election cycle or any elections in-between. This is of course a volunteer, unpaid but important job. We will be working to get Republicans registered so we can KEEP TEXAS RED. Returning Deputy Registrars and new aspiring ones have the same process.

Instructions are at the Election Department website – [www.co.ellis.tx/312/elections](http://www.co.ellis.tx/312/elections). Click Poll Worker/Volunteer Deputy Registrar Program on the menu on left side of the page. It will be the third option listed.

A reminder that the first quarter of 2023 closes March 31 and I will need your reports by April 8. I will be sending out an email asking for you to reply with your hours. You may prefer to text me at 469-688-7310.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions. I will be attaching the TFRW general policy for counting political hours to the email.

Vickie Blair, Chair

## 2023 ECRW Scholarship Application Report

*The scholarship committee has received 33 outstanding applications from 10 Ellis County ISD Schools. The committee will be meeting to select from 12- 15 students for a personal interview. From this group the winners will be selected.*

*Serving on the 2023 scholarship committee are Cheree' Barrett, Donna Blanton, Vickie Blair, Carol Bouldin and Julie Dowd.*

*Tommie Worthy,  
Scholarship Chair*



**Program**

Join us at our April meeting in which our program topic will be Election Integrity. Our speakers will be the mother-daughter duo of Beth and Liz Beasley.

Beth Beasley is the mom in the mother-daughter team, and she is a wife, mother, grandmother, and dog mom. She has served as the Forum Chief for the American Liberty Forum and has been active with the Dallas County Republican Party, including serving on the Election Integrity Committee and serving as an Election Judge for 12 years.

Beth also serves as the Texas Eagle Forum Election Integrity Chair and has authored articles featured on the Texas Eagle Forum website. She is a Texas Conservative Mamas speaker with Grassroots America, We the People, as well as a Grassroots America Champion of Freedom honoree.

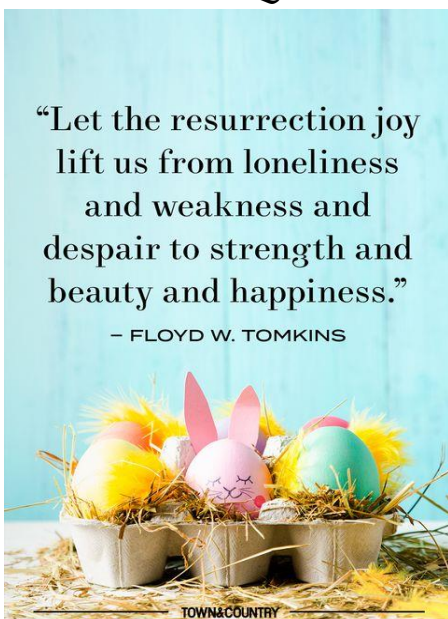
She is involved with American Citizens & Candidates Forum for Election Integrity and was even the host of a recent event: "Election Transparency on Trial." Beth devotes all her time and energy to educating others on the importance of making our elections safe and secure.

Daughter Liz has over 12 years' experience as a grassroots volunteer and election judge, alternate judge, clerk, and poll watcher. As a former teacher, Liz is enthusiastic about teaching others the important of grassroots activism and election working.

## *Easter Quote*

"Let the resurrection joy lift us from loneliness and weakness and despair to strength and beauty and happiness."

— FLOYD W. TOMKINS



## *Remember the Battle of San Jacinto*

*By Linda Sibley,  
former ECRW President*

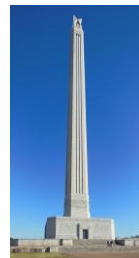
Sam Houston said just before the Battle of San Jacinto: We view ourselves on the eve of battle. We are nerved for the contest, and must conquer or perish. It is vain to look for present aid; none is at hand. We must now act or abandon all hope! Rally to the standard and be no longer the scoff of mercenary tongues! Be men, be free men, that our children may bless their father's name.

On April 21, 1836, with cries of "Remember the Alamo! Remember Goliad!" General Houston and his ragged band of 910 men surprised the Mexican army under the command of President Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna who was encamped on the San Jacinto River. About 630 of the Mexican soldiers were killed and 30 wounded.

It is written that: "Measured by its results, San Jacinto was one of the decisive battles of the world. The freedom of Texas from Mexico won here led to annexation and to the Mexican American War resulting in the acquisition by the United States of Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, California, Utah and parts of Colorado, Wyoming, Kansas and Oklahoma. Almost one-third of the present area of the American nation, nearly a million square miles of territory, changed sovereignty."

Today, the San Jacinto Battleground State Historic Site commemorates the battle and includes the San Jacinto Monument, the world's tallest memorial column. The monument is a 570-foot shaft topped by a 34-foot star symbolizing the Lone Star Republic.

The 1,200-acre San Jacinto Battleground State Historic Site, which is also a national Historic Landmark, consists of the Battleground, Monument and Battleship Texas. It is located in La Porte, not far from Houston and well worth a visit.



*San Jacinto  
Monument*

*La Porte, Texas*

### QUOTES FROM INSPIRING WOMEN

Match the Women to their Quote

“It’s important to teach our female youth that it’s OK to say, Yes, I am good at this; and you don’t hold back.”   D  

“It isn’t what we say or think that defines us, but what we done.”   N  

“Never give nor take an excuse.”   G  

“We know that when a woman speaks truth to power, there will be attempts to put her down...I’m not going to go anywhere.”   L  

“Women have discovered that they cannot rely on men’s chivalry to give them justice.”   I  

“If your action create a legacy that inspires others to dream more, learn more, do more, then, you are an excellent leader.”   B  

“If women want any rights more than they’d got, why don’t they just take them, and not be talking about it.”   A  

“It was we, the people; not we, the white male citizens; nor yet we, the male citizens; but we the whole people, who formed the Union...Men, their rights and nothing more. women, their rights and nothing less,”   C  

“Every great dream begins with a dreamer: Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world.”   F  

“The best protection any woman can have...is courage.”   M  

“I know nothing of man’s rights, or woman’s rights, human rights are all that I recognize.”   J  

“People say, what is the sense of our small effort? They cannot see that we must lay one brick at a time, take one step at a time. A pebble cast into a pond causes ripples that spread in all directions. Each one of our thoughts, words and deeds is like that. No one has a right to sit down and feel hopeless. There is too much work to do.”   E  

“I am not going to die; I’m going home like a shooting star!”   K  

“While most girls run away from home to marry, I ran away to teach.”   H  

### WOMEN

- A Sojourner Truth
- B Dolly Parton
- C Susan B. Anthony
- D Simone Biles
- E Dorothy Day
- F Harriett Tubman
- G Florence Nightingale
- H Mary Church Terrell
- I Helen Keller
- J Sarah Moore Grimke
- K Sojourner Truth
- L Maxine Waters
- M Elizabeth Cady Stanton
- N Jane Austen

Thanks for  
Participating  
in the Quiz!

# REMINDER!!

## ECRW LINCOLN DAY RECEPTION

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 2023

6:00 PM VIP RECEPTION  
6:30PM MAIN RECEPTION  
7:00PM PROGRAM

JOE AND TERESA AGUILAR  
7241 SPRINGER ROAD  
MIDLOTHIAN TEXAS

THE VIP RECEPTION IS \$100 PER PERSON  
THE MAIN RECEPTION IS \$50 PER PERSON

KEYNOTE SPEAKER  
**GLENN HEGAR**  
TEXAS STATE COMPTROLLER

Listed are a few of the items for the Silent Auction.

- Meat Church Basket
- Rocking Horse with Senator Hall's Challenge Coins
- Unbelievable Doghouse
- U.S. Flag flown over U.S. Capitol
- U.S. Flag flown over Texas Capitol
- Spa Basket
- Masculine Baskets
- Maverick Tickets
- Ellis County Court House ornament

There will be a ride provided from your parked car to the Aguilar's front door. A tent will be available in case of inclement weather.

Please support the projects to award scholarships to high school senior, distribute constitution booklets to the fifth graders, host a candidate forum during election years, support GOP candidates, to name a few.

Call Tommie Worthy for tickets at 214-212-9761 or email [tommieworthy53@gmail.com](mailto:tommieworthy53@gmail.com).

Please come, you'll be glad you did!