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Women's Club

Region 14 Senate District 21



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WC Events

March 3: Primary Election
WCRP: March 17- Bi-Mthly Meet, Justice Ctr. Floresville
March 18: Bingo Birthday Bash – Wilson Co Expo Ctr
March 24: Monthly Meeting- Witte's BBQ, LaVernia
March 28: Precinct & County Convention: Expo Ctr Floresville
April 15: Bingo Birthday Bash- Wilson County Expo Ctr, Floresville
April 28: Monthly Meeting- Jack's Café, Floresville

TFRW Events

Apr 10-11th: 2nd Qrt Brd/Dir Mtg – ZOOM
July 10-11th: 3rd Qrt Brd/Dir Mtg – Georgetown, TX
Sep 17-18th: 4th Qrt Brd/Dir Mtg – Round Rock, TX
Sep 19th: Tribute to Women – Round Rock, TX

Birthdays

Sheri Minor: March 5
Becky Johanson: March 19
Sandra Migl: March 26
Kathy Ploch Smith: March 27
Genevieve Martinez: April 3
Texas Moore: April 7
April Gilchrist: April 10
Pam Foster; April 26

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Presidents Pen

Why Vote?

The lyric “You’re old enough to kill but not votin’” from “Eve of Destruction” highlights a key issue of the Vietnam War era. Young men, really boys still in high school, were not allowed to vote. This changed when President Richard Nixon, a Republican, was in office. The 26th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified, lowering the voting age to 18. That year, I turned 18 and felt excited to cast my first vote. Since then, I have participated in every election.

The upcoming Republican Primary includes positions from US Senator to Chief Justice of the Texas Supreme Court down to local Justice of the Peace. Judges elected will decide on key issues like religious liberty, property rights, election integrity, and federalism. To help ensure fair courts, please vote the entire ballot. Ten propositions are also included on the ballot for consideration.

Low voter turnout is disappointing. Voting is a hard-won privilege. Nothing would bring me greater joy than seeing a HUGH turnout for the Republican Primary Election. Please do your part: vote, complete the entire ballot, and encourage your family and friends to do the same. As Benjamin Franklin wisely remarked about the United States, it is “a republic, if you can keep it.” Let us work together to preserve it.

P.S. Republican President Richard Nixon ended direct American involvement in the Vietnam War in 1973.

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Wilson County Republican Women's Meeting

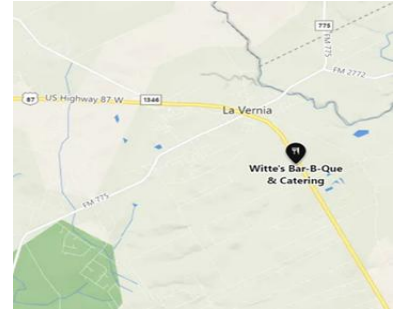
Tuesday, March 24
Doors open @ 5:30 PM
Meeting @ 6:00 PM

Speaker: David Stein
Party Structure and
Conventions

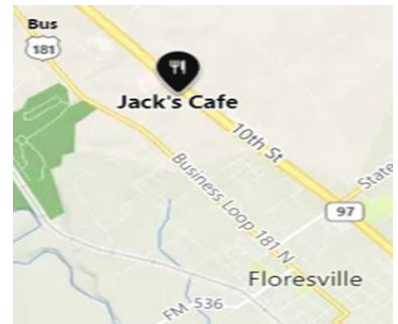
Tuesday, April 28
Doors open @ 11:30 AM
Meeting starts @ 12:00 PM

Speaker: Gail Teegarden
Political Activities

Witte's BBQ
12153 U S Hwy 87 W
La Vernia, TX



Jack's Cafe
507 10th Street (Hwy 181)
Floresville, TX



**Meeting is open so please
bring a friend or relative.**

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Hospitality: Kitty Phillips
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Scholarship: Loretta Carter &
Barbara Burdette

Legislative and Americanism / Armed Services

Legislative

Melissa Moczygemba



- Governor Abbott has directed Texas state agencies and public universities to freeze H1-B visa petitions that allow employers to hire foreign workers in specialized fields temporarily
 - In addition to the freeze on H1-B visa applications, Abbott also directed state agencies and public universities to report data concerning their use of H1-B visas by **March 27**
 - Curtailing abuse of the H1-B visa program has also been a priority of the Trump administration.

Americanism and Armed Services

Marguerite Griffin



American patriotism in 2026 carries special weight as the United States marks its **250th anniversary** — the Semi quinentennial — a milestone prompting nationwide reflection on the nation’s founding ideals, its journey, and its future. This “Year of Celebration and Rededication” has sparked renewed calls for patriotic devotion, with official proclamations emphasizing restoration of core values like freedom, equal justice, merit, and reverence for history and heroes. American patriotism is essential for legal immigrant assimilation it means unwavering support for exceptionalism, strength, and traditional symbols — flag-waving rallies, honoring veterans, and viewing the country as “great again.” American patriotism, pride in country, and answering the call to serve to ensure our freedom has seen a resurgence in 2026 but sadly not in huge numbers. People learn by example, it’s our duty as Wilson Co. Republican Women and American patriots to teach...so fly your flags, sing the anthem loud and proud, encourage love of America and OUR history it cannot be forgotten or manipulated but taught in truth to ensure the freedoms we enjoy now FOREVER.

Message from NFRW President, Martha Jenkins

**The Speech the Media Missed:
Rubio's Munich Message**



While the American news media focused on potential 2028 Democrat presidential candidates who were at the Munich Security Conference last week, **not enough attention was paid to the speech given there by our U.S. Secretary of State, Marco Rubio.**

His speech is a reminder that **our history is part of our present and foretells the future.** I will give away my age, but when I was in high school, and was a history major in college, the history of Western civilization was taught and the connection between Europe and the founding of America was emphasized. As we celebrate our nation's **250th anniversary**, it is imperative that we start the **next 250 years aware** of the European ideas that set our nation apart from the rest of the world.

Secretary Rubio remarked that **Europe must be proud once again of its culture and heritage which is unique and irreplaceable**, the culture that brought **discovery, great architecture, beautiful music and the ideas of liberty to the world.** He explained that **Americans do not want to preside over Europe's "managed decline."** Instead, the alliance of the **United States and Western Europe** must bring a **stronger, more prosperous Europe, in charge of its own destiny.**

Mass immigration has been transformational and **destabilizing in Europe**, even more than in the United States. Secretary Rubio pointed out that for all nations, **controlling borders is a fundamental act of national security.**

With this quote, Secretary Rubio showed the **difference between those who apologize for America and the West**, and the strong leadership required to maintain a safer, stronger world: **"America is charting the new path for a century of prosperity, and that once again we want to do it together with you, our oldest allies and our cherished friends, with a Europe that is proud of its heritage and history."**

American strength and accomplishments had roots in Europe, and **American strength and accomplishments** will now **help Europe save itself** and the world from the existential threats of tyranny and destabilization.

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2026 MEMBERSHIP

RENEWAL CONTINUES

Growing our membership is the responsibility of all members. Invite your family and friends to come to a meeting and join our group of dedicated Republican women. Remember, elected officials say they would not be in their positions if not for the TFRW women!

***Active Members: \$30**

Associate Members: \$10



***Includes membership in Texas Federation of Republican Women (TFRW)**

***Includes membership in National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW)**

Important 2026 Primary Election Dates

Tuesday, March 3, 2026	Primary Election Day
Monday, May 18, 2026	First Day Early Voting Runoff Election
Friday, May 22, 2026	Last Day Early Voting Runoff Election
Tuesday, May 26, 2026	Runoff Election Day

Wilson County Republican Party Important Dates

Tuesday, March 17, 2026	CEC Bi-Monthly Meeting
Saturday, March 28, 2026	Precinct & County Convention 9:00 AM:00 PM
Tuesday, May 17, 2026	CEC Bi-Monthly Meeting
June 8-10, 2026	RPT Committees-George R. Brown Conv. Ctr, Houston TX
June 11-13, 2026	RPT Convention-George R. Brown Conv. Ctr, Houston TX
Tuesday, July 21, 2026	CEC Bi-Monthly Meeting
Tuesday, Sep 15, 2026	CEC Bi-Monthly Meeting
Tuesday, Nov 17, 2026	CEC Bi-Monthly Meeting
TBD	Christmas Party

Caring for America

Tuesday, February 17th 11:00 AM
Wilson Co. Expo & Community Center (Show Barn)



Delfina Matay, Lori Hrna, Yvonne McMurray, Brenda Trevino, Theresa Soberoski, Anna Willis, Veronica Arriaga



Bingo Birthday Bash WCRW celebrating birthdays with seniors for lunch & games



2026 Birthday Bingo Bash date for 2026 (All Wednesdays)

March 18, 2026 – Evelyn Frank, Theresa Soberoski, Yvonne McMurray, Dawn Barnett and Lori Hrna

April 15, 2026 - Luz Bella Serrata, Carol Chitty, Theresa Soberoski, Iris Burris and Lori Hrna

May 20, 2026 – Carol Chitty, Theresa Soberoski, Lori Hrna– need more volunteers

June 17, 2026 – Theresa Soberoski, Louise Jung, Dawn Barnett, Lori Hrna - need more volunteers

July 15, 2026 – Sarah Gella, Loretta Carter, Ginny Glowka, Lori Hrna– need more volunteers

August 19, 2026 – Lori Hrna, Sharon Meyer, Mata Orth, Louise Jung-Jenschke

September 16, 2026 – Lori Hrna – need more volunteers

October 21, 2026– Lori Hrna – need more volunteers

November 18, 2026 – Carol Chitty, Ruby Manen, Lori Hrna - need more volunteers

December 16, 2026– Carol Chitty, Ruby Manen, Lori Hrna - need more volunteers

If you haven't signed up for a month, check with our Caring for America Chair, Lori Hrna, 210-382-8766.

Highlights from the Lincoln/Trump Dinner
February 19, 2026



Wilson County Republican Women Monthly Meeting

February 24, 2026



Wilson County's Got Style

FASHION

Show (V. Deux)

Thursday, April 23, 2026

Wilson County Expo & Community Center

435 Hwy 97 E, Floresville

Doors open at 6:00 PM

Join us
for an evening
of fun and food!

Attendees can bring in
Wine or Beer (No Large Coolers)

Tickets: \$40

— Sponsorship Categories —

Friend of the Style Show - \$50

- ✓ Program Inclusion
- ✓ Vocal Recognition

Table Sponsor - \$100

- ✓ All of the Above
- ✓ Name on Table

Star Sponsor - \$200

- ✓ All of the Above
- ✓ Personal Banner/Signage Displayed

For sponsor info, contact Lynette Best Gray (830) 305-7030
or Melissa Moczygomba (210) 913-1355

For tickets, contact Ruby Manen (830) 391-0818
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Political Activities



Below is a copy of the calendar you can use to assist you on tracking.. I am here if you have any questions.

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Member Name:

1st Qrt Wilson County Political Activities/Events

January 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 New Year's Day	2	3
4	5 WCRW Exec @ Do Joy	6	7	8	9 TFRW 1 st Qrt Bd Mtg	10 TFRW LdrShp Trng
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 MLK Day	20 WCRP Mtg @ Justice Ctr	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 WCRW Mtg @ Jack's Cafe	28 WCRP Candidate Forum @ WCE&CC	29 WCRP Candidate Forum @ WCE&CC	30	31

February 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 WCRW Exec @ Do Joy	10	11	12	13 Valentine's Day	14
15	16 President's Day	17 Early Voting	18 Ash Wednesday Set up - LTD EV @ WCE&CC	19 Lincoln Trump Dinner EV @ WCE&CC	20 Early Voting	21 Early Voting
22 Early Voting	23 Early Voting	24 Early Voting WCRW Mtg @ Jack's Cafe	25 Early Voting	26 Early Voting	27 Early Voting	28

March 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Primary Election Day	4	5	6	7
8	9 WCRW Exec @ Do Joy	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 St. Patrick's Day	17 WCRP Mtg @ Justice Ctr	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 WCRW Mtg @ Witte's BBQ LV	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

