

Elephant Talk

Plano Republican Women

TFRW Region No: 3 Senate District No: 8

January 2024

President's Byline



As we start the new year, many people have expressed frustration over what politicians are doing on all levels. National, state, and local. With an out-of-control border, poor economy and other looming uncertainties, most people would like our politicians to start doing something, anything more tangible than most of the legislation we have seen in the past year. I spoke to a lot of Collin County Republican leaders and volunteers, and here is what they said they want from their representatives.

Republican Politicians New Year's resolutions for 2024:

1. Come together, stop the infighting. Remember YOU represent us. We worked hard to put you where you are, and we expect results not just promises.
2. In Texas, actually work toward Republican priorities. Put 'public service' above self.
3. Until we elect a Republican president and control the House and Senate, please play nice with each other. After we win you can go back to the circular firing squad of self-destruction. Most people are beyond fatigued with what is going on in Congress. The only noteworthy thing they have done together is reinstate the Congressional dress code, so we don't have to see John Fetterman in his sagging shorts and sweatshirts. We made finding a new speaker of the House a national disgrace. Even conservative media outlets pointed out how ineptly it was handled.
4. Please stop spending our grandchildren's money because you have already spent ours, and our children's. Stop runaway spending!
5. Balance the budget. From March 1, 2023, to now, the national debt has grown from \$27.77 trillion to \$31.46 trillion under Joe Biden. That is a 13.3% increase.
6. Close unneeded agencies like the Department of Education, ATFE, Department of Energy, and Department of Transportation, any department based on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion to start. This alone would greatly help reduce the National Debt.
7. Get back to American values that made us strong, purge academia of Marxist ideology. Marxist ideology has contaminated our youth, they have little respect for our country or American values. Military enrollment has declined by 39% since 1987. Yet, our "college educated" youth march the streets continuously upholding Marxist ideology under the guise of BLM and helping Gaza, etc.
8. Get back to free enterprise, less regulation, and less government interference in business.
9. Unleash the power of the United States oil industry; it will help Texas and the entire country. By selling our oil, we can refresh our economy and bring down the National Debt.
10. Build up our nation's defense reserves that have been depleted by multiple wars caused by weak Western leadership.
11. Bring God back into our lives and stop driving everything with morals away from people. Stop allowing one party with zero ideas on governing to eradicate our morals and traditions. It's killing society like a fast-moving cancer.
12. In our cities and schools, keep them suburban and successful by wisely zoning and fairly taxing. Stop doing

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Calendar of Events

Next Board Meeting
 January 2, 2024
 11:30-1:00
 Napoli's Restaurant
 2865 McDermott, Ste 235
 Plano

Next General Meeting,
 January 16, 2024, 11:30
 Saltgrass - East Plano
 3320 North Central Exp
 Plano



PRW Presidents Byline

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large boondoggle projects that give huge breaks to big business with citizens receiving little or no benefit from them.

13. Make decisions based on what is best for citizens; support parents' rights and keep schools about classic education. Reading and math scores nationally have gone down considerably under curriculums laced with DEI and CRT.
14. At the state level, pass school choice; it's not about you and the teachers' unions. It's about our kids and better education.
15. Focus on the border. In 2023, we have had the highest illegal border crossings recorded and it's getting worse daily. No one really cares about Hunter Biden or trying to impeach Joe Biden. History shows impeachment queries only make presidents seem more sympathetic and human. No more sideshows - get to work!
16. Work on the economy and kitchen table problems. Stop allowing the Democrats to drag Republicans into meaningless sideshows that don't affect the average American.
17. At the federal level focus on getting Biden OUT! Get back to the Constitution and founding principles of our country.
18. For our camera loving politicians, stop getting on TV and allowing the Dems to control the narrative. Don't even engage in hot button topics on their toxic rainbow of gender, and sexuality.

We want our country to succeed at all levels. In 2024, Republican leadership must be strong. If you are in doubt about what your constituents need, use modern tools like surveys on upcoming topics and issues so you can better represent us. Townhalls and coffees are nice, but they don't have widespread coverage. At the local level, remember, there are so many volunteers that want to help you. We want you to succeed. And last, please remember 2024 cannot be business as usual. We need representatives who are willing to fight and go outside the status quo. The country is dying a slow death while a lot of you are pretending this is just another election year. It's not. The stakes are incredibly high. Please act like it. Give us confidence in you by finishing strong. Remember, the border, the economy, and winning the presidency should be first before anything. Do not be entrapped in meaningless, feel-good legislation. In short, do the job that we the people elected you to do! We expect nothing less.

Clea Marchese

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PRW January Meeting



NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

January 16, 2024

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller

Texas Update

An eighth-generation farmer and rancher, Sid Miller is the 12th Commissioner of the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA). He has devoted his life to promoting Texas agriculture, rural communities, and the great state of Texas. Born in De Leon, in Comanche County, in September 1955, Sid Miller graduated with honors from Tarleton State University in Stephenville with a Bachelor of Science degree in Vocational Ag Education.

A recognized community leader, Miller was first elected to the House of Representatives in 2000. He quickly earned a reputation as a staunch defender of Texas agriculture, constitutional freedoms, and individual liberties for all Texans.

He was elected statewide as the 12th Texas Agriculture Commissioner in 2014 and re-elected to his second term in office in 2018; followed by a third term in 2022, receiving almost 4.5 million votes--more votes than any candidate for Texas Agricultural Commissioner has ever received.

Since taking office as Agriculture Commissioner, Commissioner Miller has brought real common-sense reform to TDA. Within six months, he eliminated a two-and-a-half-year backlog in organic certifications. He reshaped field operations to maximize efficiency for Texas taxpayers. This included increasing the number of consumer protection inspections by as much as 183 percent while slashing the miles traveled by TDA inspectors by more than half a million miles a year.

[Click Here for Sid's website](#)

Location : Saltgrass Steakhouse Plano East

3320 North Central Expressway, Plano, TX 75074

Time: 11:15 am: Arrive and check-in, 11:30 am: Meeting, Lunch & Program

**Lunch is available for \$25.00 with RSVP, cash or check payable to PRW on arrival
*Lunch will be salad, beef entree with vegetable, and carrot cake.***

RSVPs for lunch must be made by 5 pm Friday, January 12, 2024

[RSVP here to pay with credit card](#)

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To RSVP send an email to: rsvp@planorepublicanwomen.org

Include your name in your email and specify whether you will/will not be having lunch



PRW 2023 Holiday Tea



Legislative Report

Governor Abbott Signs Historic Border Security Measures In Brownsville

December 18, 2023 | Austin, Texas



Governor Greg Abbott today signed into law a transformative package of border security legislation passed during [Special Session #3](#) and [Special Session #4](#) of the 88th Texas Legislature at the Texas border wall in Brownsville. These three new laws will bolster Texas' unprecedented border security efforts and crackdown on human smuggling, deter the flow of illegal border crossings, and protect the lives and property of Texans by funding the ongoing construction of Texas' border wall.

"Four years ago, the United States had the fewest illegal border crossings in decades," said Governor Abbott. "It was because of four policies put in place by the Trump Administration that led to such a low number of illegal crossings. President Biden has eliminated all of those policies and done nothing to halt illegal immigration. President Biden's deliberate inaction has left Texas to fend for itself. Today, I will sign three laws to better protect Texas—and America—from President Biden's border neglect. These laws will help stop the tidal wave of illegal entry into Texas, add additional funding to build more border wall, and crackdown on human smuggling."

The Governor was joined at the bill signing ceremony by Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick, National Border Patrol Council (NBPC) President Brandon Judd, Adjutant General of Texas Major General Thomas Suelzer, Texas Border Czar Mike Banks, Senator Pete Flores, Senator Joan Huffman, Senator Charles Perry, Representative Ryan Guillen, Representative Jacey Jetton, Representative David Spiller, Representative Mano DeAyala, Representative Stan Kitzman, Representative Janie Lopez, and other border officials.

"As Lieutenant Governor, securing the southern border has been one of my biggest priorities since first being elected in 2006," said Lieutenant Governor Patrick. "Since I took office as Lieutenant Governor, Texas has increased border security funding more than any time in history. It has never been more clear that Texas must step into the breach created by the border security liars and deniers Biden, Harris, and Mayorkas, and the signing of these three bills is indicative of the Texas Senate and my commitment to stemming the flow of illegal immigration and a strong southern border."

"Border Patrol agents nationwide, not just in Texas, are grateful for Governor Abbott's leadership and willingness to recognize that it is the rule of law that keeps all Americans safe," said NBPC President Judd. "His actions have already saved lives, and his continued actions will undoubtedly save thousands more. As the flagrant disregard of our laws too often is the norm throughout our country, Texans can be proud that their governor will not back down to pervasive and radical woke ideology. Instead, he will continue to look out for the best interests of his great state."

"The Texas National Guard remains decisively engaged with thousands of troops from El Paso down to Brownsville," said General Suelzer. "In this effort, we've constructed miles of concertina wire, put up over a thousand anti-climb barrier panels, and have employed new surveillance vehicles that will help get after gotaways that are getting into the country. I want to thank the Governor for his relentless effort to protect Texans, and the Lieutenant Governor and legislators for giving the Texas National Guard all the tools they need to keep Texans safe."

"Under Governor Abbott's leadership, Operation Lone Star has deployed tactical infrastructure that has allowed us to create great deterrence along the Texas-Mexico border," said Border Czar Banks. "Today's bill signings by the Governor will allow Texas to continue building the wall, empower our law enforcement officers to arrest those who come into Texas illegally, and enhance criminal penalties for crimes such as smuggling and stash house operations. As the Texas Border Czar and a former Border Patrol agent, I thank Governor Abbott for having the moral courage to defend Texas and our nation when President Biden refuses to do so."

Senate Bill 4 from Special Session #3 (Flores/Guillen) creates a mandatory ten-year minimum prison sentence for smuggling of persons and continuous smuggling of persons. Passed with bipartisan support, the law enhances the criminal penalties for the operation of a stash house and creates a mandatory five-year minimum prison sentence. It also further enhances criminal penalties for victim-related offenses that occurred during the commission of smuggling, such as assault and burglary.



Legislative Report

Senate Bill 3 from Special Session #4 (Huffman/Jetton) appropriates \$1.54 billion in general revenue to the Trusteed Programs within the Office of the Governor for border security operations and the construction, operation, and maintenance of border barrier infrastructure.

Senate Bill 4 from Special Session #4 (Perry/Spiller) creates a criminal offense for illegal entry into this state from a foreign nation. The law cracks down on repeated attempts to enter Texas by creating the offense of illegal reentry and penalizes offenders with up to 20 years in prison. It also provides the mechanism to order an offender to return to the foreign nation from which the person entered or attempted to enter this state. The law provides civil immunity and indemnification for local and state government officials, employees, and contractors for lawsuits resulting from the enforcement of these provisions.

In June, Governor Abbott signed into law [six border security laws](#) passed during the 88th Regular Legislative Session to expand Texas' unprecedented efforts to hold the line and protect Texans from the record level of illegal immigration, weapons, and deadly drugs pouring into Texas from Mexico.

Legislative Update By Jennifer Groysman

The fourth Special Session of the Texas Legislature ended with two wins and one loss.

Let's start with the loss, school choice. HB1 died in the House when John Raney (R-College Station) offered an Amendment that cut Education Savings Accounts from the bill. That passed 84-63 with one person voting present. Our own Collin County Texas House Republicans voted to keep school choice in the bill. So, give them a pat on the back for voting for school freedom.

Now for the good news, SB 3 passed both chambers. It budgets \$1.5 billion for a border barrier between Texas and Mexico. The legislature also passed SB 4. This gives Texas law enforcement the ability to arrest people who cross the border illegally from Mexico.

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AMERICANISM REPORT

by Ellen Leyrer



WITH GOD ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE

JANUARY 1, 2024

"These are the times that try men's souls." This Thomas Paine quote reflects the almost impossible struggle for America's freedom. Today America is again struggling for her freedom. Though it seemed highly unlikely that the British forces would be defeated, the freedom fighters prevailed.

Today we are struggling once again for freedoms in America. Our current struggle is also against tyranny. The tyranny of progressive ideals and of bureaucracy. And today we still have God and freedom fighters.

This is a reminder that freedom isn't free, and a call to action. You must be a freedom fighter. No more sitting on the sidelines being a mere spectator. We must act to make a course correction, or we will forever only be spectators in a socialist country or a globalist world.

Texas has lost its place as a conservative stronghold. Collin County is no longer all "Red." Plano has become a city of LBGTQ and drag queen shows for children. A city with pornography in our school libraries. A city with prostitution and drugs and human trafficking.

We are Plano. We are Republican. We are women. Let's live up to being the heart and soul of Plano Republican Women. And we are Texans. Another strong and proud name to call ourselves. We are women of faith. That's the strongest weapon of all. Let's be the army of God.

"Without God, there could be no American form of Government, nor an American way of life. Recognition of the Supreme Being is the first - the most basic - expression of Americanism. Thus the Founding Fathers saw it, and thus, with God's help, it will continue to be."

– Dwight D. Eisenhower

"It is when people forget God that tyrants forge their chains."

– Patrick Henry

This beginning, 2024, - right now, today - let us use our strengths, engage in the battle, and accomplish the needed course correction.

There are five House Districts with opponents to the incumbents. Support your choice in your House District! Walk, call, donate, text, put out signs, hand out push cards, stuff or address envelopes. Everyone can do something.

And today let us say God Bless America with all that it means; let us earnestly pray for His intervention in our battle; and let us continue the struggle for our God-given rights and freedoms.

*"God bless America" is a powerful invocation, a heartfelt plea that transcends mere words and encapsulates a deep-seated love for the land of the free. It is a testament to our collective hope and resilience, an acknowledgment that, through thick and thin, we stand united under the watchful eye of Providence. This simple yet profound phrase signifies an enduring belief in the nation's exceptionalism and the divine grace that has guided it through history. It's a recognition that our shared journey, with its triumphs and tribulations, is under the benevolent gaze of a higher power. "God bless America" is more than a patriotic slogan; it is an earnest prayer for continued strength, unity, and prosperity, a heartfelt plea for divine favor to shine upon this great land, ensuring that the American spirit prevails, resilient and undiminished. **

2023 Plano Christmas Parade, Member Kathy Ward, MC



Catherine's Corner

By Catherine Gibb

In his Second Inaugural Address in 1985, Ronald Reagan stated:

“History is a ribbon, always unfurling; history is a journey. And as we continue our journey, we think of those who traveled before us.... Now we hear again the echoes of our past: a general falls to his knees in the hard snow of Valley Forge; a lonely president paces the darkened halls and ponders his struggle to preserve the Union; the men of the Alamo called out encouragement to each other; a settler pushes west and sings a song, and the song echoes out forever and fills the unknowing air.

It is the American sound. It is hopeful, big-hearted, idealistic, daring, decent, and fair. That's our heritage; that is our song. We sing it still. For all our problems, our differences, we are together as of old, as we raise our voices to the God who is the Author of this most tender music. And may He continue to hold us close as we fill the world with our sound—sound in unity, affections, and love, one people under God, dedicated to the dream of freedom that He has placed in the human heart, called upon now to pass that dream on to a waiting and hopeful world.”

Sadly, because our true history has been regulated to the trash bin and re-written by folks who hate this country in such trash as the *1619 Project*, so many in the country, young and old, don't really have a clue about what Ronald Reagan spoke about all those years ago. Hopefully, we will be able to provide some of that history in the next 12 issues of *Elephant Talk*.

The Rock Upon Which Our Republic Rests

There are numerous Biblical occasions when civil leaders urged a national reading of God's Word. For example, under righteous King Josiah of Israel:

The King went up to the house of the Lord and all the men of Judah and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem with him, and the priests and the prophets and all the people, both small and great; and he read in their hearing all the words of the book of the covenant which was found in the house of the Lord (2 Kings 2:23).

Ezra also assembled the nation to read the Word of God (Nehemiah 8: 1- 3), and Moses likewise instructed the people to gather together and read God's Word so that they might know it, obey it, and teach it to the rising generation, for by doing so, they would remain blessed as a nation (Deuteronomy 31: 11-13).

This pattern was also followed by America's national leaders, including President Franklin Roosevelt:

I suggest a nationwide reading of the Holy Scriptures during the period of Thanksgiving Day to Christmas.... Go to...the Scriptures for a renewed and strengthening eternal truths and majestic principles which have inspired such measure of true greatness as this nation has achieved. 1

(Today, one week of the period between Thanksgiving and Christmas is still officially commemorated as National Bible Week, but sadly few citizens know of its existence, and even fewer observe it.)

Why would President Roosevelt publicly call the nation to a time of Scripture reading? Because of its proven beneficial influence:

In the formative days of the Republic, the directing influence the Bible exercised upon the fathers of the Nation is conspicuously evident.... We cannot read the history of our rise and development as a Nation without reckoning with the place the Bible has occupied in shaping the advanced of the Republic. 2

On the same basis, President Ronald Reagan declared a national “Year of the Bible,” explaining:

Of the many influences that have shaped the United States of America, none may be said to be more fundamental and enduring than the Bible.... The Bible and its teachings helped individual—rights which they found implicit in the Bible's teachings of the inherent worth and dignity of each individual. This same sense of man patterned ... ideals set forth in the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution.... There could be no more fitting moment than now to reflect ... upon the wisdom revealed to us in the [Bible].3

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President Teddy Roosevelt similarly affirmed:

The teachings of the Bible are so interwoven and entwined with our whole civic and social life that it would be literally—I do not mean figuratively, I mean literally—impossible for us to figure to ourselves what life would be if these teachings were removed. We would lose almost all the standards by which we now judge both public and private morals—all the standards toward which we, with resolution, strive to raise ourselves.

Almost every man who has by his life-work added to the sum of human achievement of which the race is proud—of which our people are proud—almost every such man has based his life-work largely upon the teachings of the Bible.... Among the greatest men, a disproportionately large number have been diligent and close students of the Bible at first hand.... So I plead not merely for training of the mind but for ... the moral and spiritual training that have always been found in and that have ever accompanied the study of this Book—this Bible, which almost every civilized tongue can be described as “The Book.”⁴

Teddy wanted everyone to know the Bible, and a reason he had been so thoroughly impressed by President Abraham Lincoln was his personal mastery of the Bible. As he explained:

Lincoln—sad, kindly Lincoln, who after bearing upon his weary shoulders for four years a greater burden than that borne by any other man of the nineteenth century laid down his life for the people whom living he had served well—built up his entire reading upon his early study of the Bible. He had mastered it absolutely—mastered it as he mastered only one or two other books (notably Shakespeare)—mastered it so that he became almost “a man of one Book,” who knew that Book and who instinctively put into practice what he had been taught therein.⁵

Indeed, it is extremely difficult to find any of Lincoln's major speeches not laced throughout with Scriptures, so it is therefore not surprising that in speaking of the Bible, Lincoln declared:

It is the best gift God has given to men. All the good the Savior gave to the world was Communicated through this book. But for it, we could not know right from wrong.⁶

President Zachary Taylor also stressed how important it was that every citizen, especially young citizens, know the Bible:

The Bible is the best of books and I wish it were in the hands of everyone. It is indispensable to the safety and permanence of our institutions; a free government cannot exist without religion and morals, and there cannot be morals without religion, nor religion without the Bible. Especially should the Bible be placed in the hands of the young. It is the best school book in the world.... I would that all of our people were brought up under the influence of that Holy Book.⁷

President Harry Truman, speaking at a conference of law enforcement officials assembled from across the nation reminded them:

The fundamental basis of this Nation's laws was given to Moses on the Mount. The fundamental basis of our Bill of Rights comes from the teachings which we get from Exodus and St. Matthew, from Isaiah and St. Paul. I don't think we emphasize that enough these days.⁸

President Andrew Jackson likewise declared of the Bible that “*it is the rock on which our Republic rests.*”⁹

There are many other examples demonstrating that America's leaders understood the importance of God's word to the nation and publicly urged the reading and knowledge of it, just as ancient leaders such as Moses, Ezra, and Josiah had done. It is important that every citizen personally study, learn, and live by God's Word, teaching it to their children and also electing at the local, county, state, and federal level leaders who know and honor the principles of “The Book.”

1 Presidency Project: “Franklin D. Roosevelt: Proclamation—Thanksgiving Day, 1944” (at <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=72460>).

2 American Presidency Project: “Franklin D. Roosevelt: Statement on the Four Hundredth Anniversary of the Printing of the English Bible, October 6, 1935” (at <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=14960>).

3 American Presidency Project: “Ronald Reagan: Proclamation 5018—Year of Our Bible, 1983, February 3rd, 1983” (at <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=40728>).

4 Theodore Roosevelt, *Modern Eloquence*, ed. Thomas B. Reed (Philadelphia: John D. Morris and Company, 1903),

Vol. XV, pp. 1770-1776. “On Reading the Bible: Delivered before Members of the Bible Society, 1901.”

5 *Ibid.*

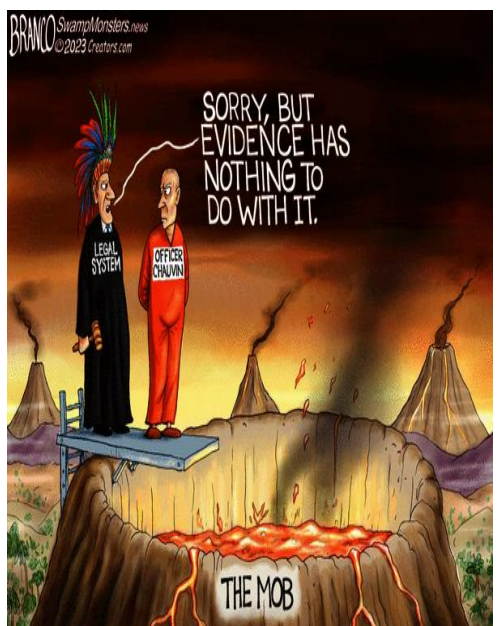
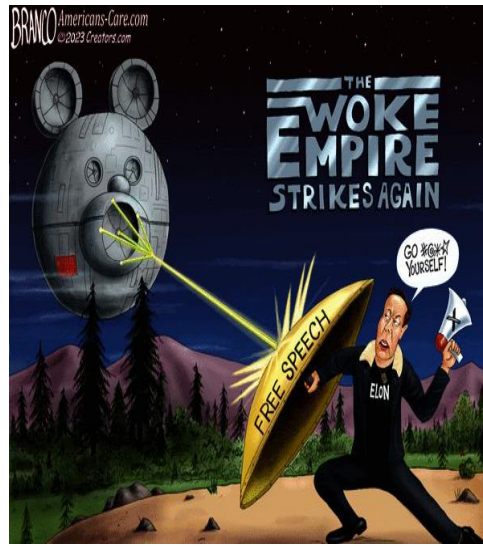
6 Abraham Lincoln, *Complete Works Comprising His Speeches, Letters, State Papers, and Miscellaneous Writings*, ed. John Nicolay and John Hay (New York: The Century Co., 1894) Vol. Two, p. 574, “Reply to the Colored People of Baltimore Who Presented Him with a Bible,”

7 “The President and the Bible,” *New York Semi-Weekly Tribune*, Wednesday, May 9, 1849, Vol. IV, No 100 p.1.

8 American Presidency Project: “Harry S. Truman: Address Before the Attorney General's Conference on Law Enforcement Problems,” February 15, 1950* (<http://presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=13707>).

9 American Presidency Project: “Ronald Reagan: Proclamation 5018—Year of the Bible, 1983” (at <http://presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=40728>); see the same quote in a proclamation from George H. W. Bush on February 22nd, 1990, “International Year of Bible Reading” in Code of Federal Regulations (Washington: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1991) p.21

Political Cartoons



America is Returning to the Colonial Era

Opinion by Hugo Gurdon, 12/8/2023

[Illegal immigrants](#) are flooding into America faster than ever before. Dec. 5 set a record, with more than 12,000 encounters at the [Mexican frontier](#). That would be 4.4 million annually, adding 1.3% to the population in just one year, if the pace stayed constant. It will obviously fluctuate, sometimes below that number, but there is every reason to expect record highs in the next 12 months. President [Joe Biden](#) and the [Democratic Party](#)'s dominant leftists don't simply not resist this inundation but positively want and encourage it. In this, they disdain public opinion. The president's proposed immigration policy reforms would accelerate the influx rather than stanch it.

[ARIZONA BORDER CROSSING CLOSES IN RESPONSE TO SURGE OF THOUSANDS OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS](#)

What's going on? This question involves recognition of massive ideological inconsistency on the subject of colonization. In theory, at least, leftists hate colonialism more than anything else. But they are very selective and unprincipled about it and favor some colonizers just as much as they hate others.

Most universities offer courses in anti-colonialism and other variants of an obsessive, ever-expanding, assertive anti-racism agenda. Ever since [Hamas slaughtered](#) 1,200 innocents in [Israel](#) on Oct. 7, radicals have argued that resistance to "colonial occupation" justifies barbarism. They denounce Zionists as colonizers even though it was the Arabs who in 635 A.D. conquered what was originally, and is again, Israel during imperial Islam's massive colonial expansion out of the Arabian Peninsula into the Middle East. It is amusing to twit the Left by pointing out that the Medieval crusades can be seen as defensive anti-colonial wars waged to retake land wrongly seized from Christendom by Muslim invaders.

But the Left dislikes colonization only when it's perpetrated by disfavored people, notably white men (among whom they include Jews), which is why they regard America's existence as a problem to be resolved rather than a fact to be celebrated. Colleges and other bastions of leftism routinely demand land acknowledgments from members of the guilty majority population, who are made to confess cringingly that this nation was stolen from the Indians (although they never actually say "Indians"). They would never demand such acknowledgments if [Palestinians](#) managed to seize Israel from the Jews who were there thousands of years earlier and longer than the Arabs. Perish the thought!

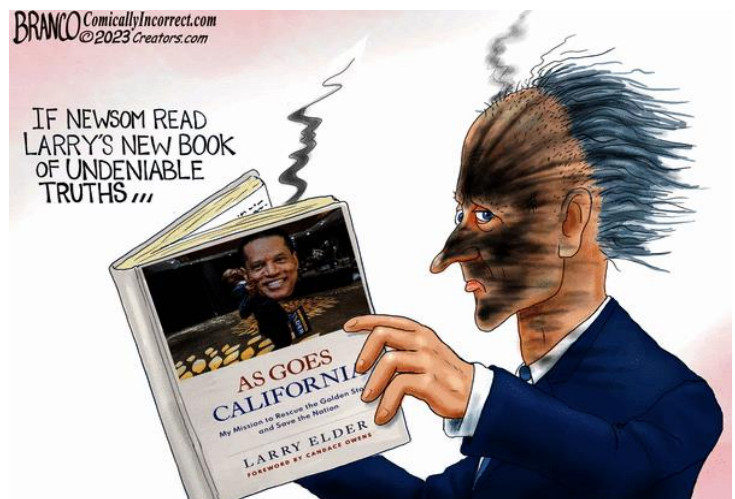
The Left's capricious and dishonest application of the "colonial" label brings us back to the U.S. southern border. Biden and his radical wing treat demands for immigration control, which reflect the public will, as racist because the people irrupting into this country are disproportionately dark-skinned and thus members of a favored caste valorized by modish academic claptrap known as intersectionality.

As N.S. Lyons wrote in a witty and insightful [recent essay](#), aggressive immigration is one of the techniques that colonizers use to undermine native culture. It is among several allied efforts to divide, deculture, and demoralize the host nation. Constant denigration of traditional history and inherited customs undermines self-confidence and produces confusion and submission. As Lyons says, it sounds familiar, right?

The modern colonial authorities in America are not part of a foreign force but the arrogant and out-of-touch leftists, who punish and suppress dissent and who now control nearly every major institution.

Original Author: [Hugo Gurdon](#)

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Political Action Hours

By Political Action Chair Jennifer Groysman

Keep the challenge going! 10 hours per month!

What counts as

Political Activity Hours

- **Attending Political Meetings**
 - Political Events & Fundraisers
 - County or State GOP meetings
 - School Board or City Council meetings
- **Travel**
 - Any time you spend traveling to and from political events and meetings.
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 - Time spent calling, writing, about legislative issues
- **Campaign Activities**
 - Block walking, sign waving, phone banking, digital work
 - Running for office
- **Election Support**
 - Election Judge, Election Clerk, Deputy Voter Registrar
- **Appointed or Elected Service**
 - Prep time, travel time, and attendance at meetings you were appointed or elected to serve at any level

Any political activity you do that is not for your primary job counts!

You can submit your hours on our website here: [Political Action Hours](#)



Membership Report

By Membership Chair Lisa Babb

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In 2023, PRW had 105 members, we hope that 2024 will bring even more women in to network and work together for Republican values and Republican candidates.

Membership dues can be paid at the meeting, online through our website
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- \$25 Associate Membership – for Men or Active Members of other Republican Women Clubs
- \$20 Young Affiliate (young woman, age 10-17)
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