

# ECRW NEWSLETTER



*Per the Pres*

*by Rachel D. Minor*

## ***"If it is to be, it is up to me"***

Can you say, "I have done everything I could to protect and preserve my community, state and nation from the agenda that goes against my values and the principles I stand for?"

We as Republicans need to unite, to continue to advocate and educate in love to those around us, stand strong with candidates who hold our same belief system, and get out and vote in full force on November 8<sup>th</sup>.

I am so proud of our Ector County Republican Women Clubs members, because we have done all of the above and will continue to do so. If you would like to help block walk, participate in phone banking, help distribute signs or donate to a campaign please reach out to me at 432-847-7283.

We must get to the polls in record number this election or all the freedoms and prosperity we hold dear in Texas will disappear as our nation has. We cannot afford to lose Texas to the Democrat opponents that are facing our republican candidates.

**Please stand with me and say if it is to be, it is up to me!**



**Pink or Purple  
Out  
This month's  
meeting!**

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**October 11<sup>th</sup>  
Last day to  
register to vote**

*Nominating Committee**by: Jaye Nabarrette*

The ECRW nominating committee was made up of Jaye Nabarrette, Judy Callaway, Irene LeMarr, Lindy Wright and Deanna Peden. They met on Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. Following a lengthy discussion on the direction of the club and the need for a proactive and responsive Executive board, the following is their recommended slate of officers:

President: Donna Kelm  
Vice President/Programs: Jill Miller  
Vice President/Membership: Tiffany Wood  
Secretary: Ashleigh Amonett  
Treasurer: Heather Grimes

Unless someone is nominated from the floor at our October 19<sup>th</sup> meeting, this will be our 2023 Executive Board.

*TFRW Fourth Quarter Board of Directors Meeting.**by: Judy Calloway*

The final TFRW Board of Directors meeting was on September 16<sup>th</sup> in Georgetown, TX at the Sheraton Convention Center. This is the fourth board meeting of the year and as SD 31 District Director I attend all of them. This board meeting was part of the weekend that featured "Tribute to Women". We are always honored to have special speakers at our Board Meetings and this one featured Melissa Conway who heads the Election Integrity Campaign in Texas, she is an excellent speaker. The second guest speaker was State Senator Brandon Creighton, chair for Texas Victory 2022. Senator Creighton and his family reside in Conroe where he represents SD 4.

One of the items stressed at this meeting is getting new officers trained and reports all submitted in timely manner. Membership VP Melanie Grammar wanted all Membership chairs to know that only renewals of membership go on the Dec 31 submission with slate of officers. If you have New Members, they need to submit after January 1, 2023. This is an NFRW rule that we need to follow. The second substantial change was an increase of fee for Board Meeting Registration to \$75. Inflation has hit all the Convention prices and we must pay for things that were free in the past.

Upcoming dates to remember is the Feb 3, 2023 Legislative Day at the AT&T Conference Center in Austin. First quarter board meeting is Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> at same location. 2023 NFRW Convention is September 28-30<sup>th</sup> in Oklahoma City. The TFRW State Convention is October 12-14<sup>th</sup> in Irving TX. Both are major events for your officers and club members to attend with all the prominent Republican elected officials in attendance and great workshops.





## EPA's Arrow Aimed at the Heart of Texas

by State Representative Brooks Landgraf (R-Odessa)

Biden's war on Texas energy is ongoing as the EPA continues to push a nonattainment redesignation of the Permian Basin with no transparency, no public comment and no data from Texas.

If President Biden does not direct the EPA to stand down, the next step of the redesignation process, according to the Clean Air Act, is a notification letter sent to the governors of Texas and New Mexico, creating the opportunity for affected states to provide feedback.

Reality might be a hard pill to swallow for bureaucrats in Washington, D.C., but the fact of the matter is the modern world can't function without energy from oil and natural gas, and in the Permian Basin we know how to extract those fuels more efficiently and cleanly than anyone on earth.

In Texas, we are proud of the fact that our state has worked hard to make sure we balance having clean air while also being the oil and gas epicenter of the entire globe. Furthermore, public schools, universities, hospitals and highways all directly benefit from—and rely on—tax revenue generated by oil and gas production in the Permian Basin.

West Texas contains less than 10% of the state's population yet accounts for roughly 70% of the state's oil and gas severance tax collections. In fact, this year those collections totaled \$10.8 billion, with \$2.4 billion going to public education, \$3.6 billion going to the Rainy-Day Fund, and \$3.6 billion going to the State Highway Fund.

President Biden and his EPA have spent the last few months attempting to vilify the hardworking men and women of the Permian Basin who produce energy for the world, and who help make our state so great. Whether the EPA realizes it or not, their radical agenda could jeopardize the future of our state if left unchecked.

However, we've got something to say about it in West Texas, and our fighting spirit remains fierce. Texas House Speaker Dade Phelan joined me in Odessa last week to stand in support of our West Texas oil and gas workers. Together, we affirmed our commitment to continue protecting Texas energy. We, alongside Governor Greg Abbott and Congressman August Pfluger will use the full force of the state to fight the EPA.

God bless Texas

**Brooks Landgraf**  
State Representative, Texas 81

Brooks Landgraf Campaign  
P.O. Box 13146  
Odessa, Texas 79768

*Painting, Pizza and Fellowship = Fun!!!*

A few ladies showed at Happy Everything to try their painting skills. Lucky for us Kim with Happy Everything was there to add a little spark to our masterpieces.



Our Lives, Our Fortunes, and Our Sacred Honor

Integrity is important, and the signers of the Declaration (and numerous Bible heroes, including Job, Daniel, Joseph, Jesus, and so many others) demonstrated integrity. But how is integrity achieved? Joseph Story provided the answer. (Story grew up in the American Revolution; his father was one of the “Indians” in the Boston Tea Party. Appointed to the U.S. Supreme Court by President James Madison, Story is known as a “Father of American Jurisprudence.”) Justice Story was very clear about how integrity is attained, explaining:

*To secure integrity, there must be a lofty sense of duty and a deep responsibility to future times as well as to God.<sup>4</sup>*

Integrity is born out of the awareness of a deep sense of answerability to God. Recall that before the signers of the Declaration pledged their “Lives, Fortunes, and Sacred Honor,” they first declared their “firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence.”

If there is not a genuine mindfulness of God and accountability to Him, there is no real reason to keep one’s word. When we know that we will give a full account to God, and that He will either reward or punish us for the performance of our word, that awakens a clear incentive. If we desire to please Him, we will keep our word no matter the cost. And why not? That is what it is to be like Him. Integrity is His chief characteristic. After all, since the dawn of creation, in the renewing of His covenant with us, He pledged His own Life, His entire Fortune, and did so on His own Sacred Honor. We have redemption because He kept His Word, even though it cost the life of His own precious Son to do so. He is a God of integrity—He does not make excuses; He keeps His promises, every time (Numbers 23:19). He is the Founder and Finisher of our faith (Philippians 1:6). And as His children, He has left us with a glorious promise that though “it has not appeared as yet what we shall be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is” (1 John 3:2). O the riches of the life for those who choose to follow, to fix their gaze upon Him and walk in integrity! May your word be your bond, and may He be the glue by which you stick to it.

<sup>1</sup> Benjamin Rush, *Letters of Benjamin Rush*, ed. L. H. Butterfield (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 1951), Vol. II, p. 1103, to John Adams on September 4, 1811.

<sup>2</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>3</sup> Charles Francis Adams, *Familiar Letters of John Adams and His Wife Abigail Adams, During the Revolution* (New York: Hurd and Houghton, 1876), p. 265, letter from John Adams to Abigail Adams on April 26, 1777.

<sup>4</sup> Joseph Story, *Commentaries on the Constitution of the United States* (Boston: Little, Brown, and Company, 1891), Vol. I, p. 546, Book III, Ch. X, § 745.

**OCTOBER**  
**BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**  
 Prevention | Early Detection | Research Toward A Cure



***Election November 2023***

*by: Judy Calloway*

Everyone should be aware of the upcoming *State Election* for all the top seats in state government and many in Ector County. The last day to register to vote in this election is Oct 11<sup>th</sup>. Early voting starts October 24<sup>th</sup> and runs thru November 4<sup>th</sup>.

***Election day is the 8<sup>th</sup>!***

Locally the five early voting location are Ector County Annex, Kellus Turner Community Bldg., MCM Elegante Hotel, Globe Theater, Salinas Community Center. All are open 7 days a week with weekend being from 7am to 7pm on Saturday and noon to 6pm on Sunday. The last day to receive *A Ballot By Mail* (ABBM) form is October 28<sup>th</sup>.

The ballot has all the statewide races for Governor, Lt Governor, Attorney General, Comptroller of Public Accounts, Land Commissioner, Agriculture Commissioner, and Railroad Commission all have Democrat opponents plus Libertarian and Green Party. State Supreme Court Judges that are Republican include Place 3 Debra Lehrmann, Place 5 Rebecca Huddle (replace Eva Guzman) Court of Appeals Judges Place 9 is Evan Young, and Place 6 is Jesse F McClure III. All these Judge positions have democrat opponents.

***The lucky Republican candidates with no opponents include:***

- August Pfluger, US Representative District 11
- Aaron Kinsey, State Board of Education District 15
- Kevin Sparks, State Senator SD 31
- Brooks Landgraf, State Representative District 81
- Mary Lou Keel - Judge State Court of Appeals Place 2
- W Stacey Trotter- Judge State Court of Appeals Place 3
- Judge Denn Whalen 70<sup>th</sup> Judicial Court
- Dustin Fawcett County Judge
- Judge Brooke D Hendricks County Court at Law
- Judge Christopher M Clark County Court at Law 2
- Lee McClendon, County Attorney
- Clarissa Webster, District Clerk
- Jennifer Martin, County Clerk
- Cleopatra Callaway, County Treasurer
- Terry Lange, Justice of Peace Pct 1
- Missi Walden, Justice of Peace Pct 2
- Greg Simmons, Commissioner Pct 2



***Positions challenged locally include.*** Justice of Peace Precinct 3 where Republican Bill Bowen has Democrat Gerardo Arzate on the ballot. County Commissioner Precinct 4 has Republican Billy Hall with Democrat Savannah Morales opposing on the ballot.

If anyone lives in the **ECUD precincts**, which is 101,102,103,104 & 407 they have three candidates on ballot for two directors position. Candidates include, Troy Walker, Sheila Black and Will Kappauf.

These precincts have 3 propositions to vote on including areas in these precincts in having Ector County assume payment of payment of Operations and Maintenance tax.

**Getting everyone registered to vote and then to the polls to vote is a main objective for Ector County Republican Women.** The Governor race is key in keeping **Texas Red** and rural voters will be the key in outcome. The largest cities of Houston, Dallas, San Antonio, and Austin are strong Democrats areas. This is what has changed states like California that were once Republican to Democrat rule. We are all tired of all the political texts, emails and calls wanting money. The big political races are extremely expensive and our volunteer work block walking and phone banking for candidates is key in campaigns of statewide candidates.

Poll watchers, voting clerks and judges for voting locations are needed and most of these are paid positions by the election office. So, think about working an election



*Governor Greg Abbott*

**Oct 3**

**Governor Abbott Announces New Chief Of School Safety And Security**  
 Governor Greg Abbott today announced John P. Scott as the new Chief of School Safety and Security within the Texas Education Agency (TEA), starting today, Monday, October 3.

**Oct 3**

**Governor Abbott, HHSC Announce Extension Of Emergency SNAP Benefits For October 2022**  
 Governor Greg Abbott today announced the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) is providing more than \$329.4 million in emergency Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) food benefits for the month of October.



*District Director SD31**by: Judy Calloway*

## Texas Legislator 2023, What is Planned

The state will have an extra \$27 billion in its coffers for 2023. Money that could help with many of the legislative priorities such as property tax cuts. Texas has experienced record high tax revenues over the last year giving a total of \$149.07 in the general fund account. Going into the last session in 2021 the lawmakers had \$112.05 billion at their disposal. The savings account for state commonly known as rainy day fund had a \$3.5 billion increase which is more than double the normal expected growth of the fund. This extra money has come from the oil & gas industry. This is another reason we are grateful to have Kevin Sparks working for us alongside of Brooks Landgraf to support our local oil and gas industry

Recommendations made by State Comptroller, Glenn Hegar on spending money on funding water infrastructure, road infrastructure and broadband internet connectivity. Hegar stated a group of lawmakers ask for his recommendations. State top officials have already set their sights on cutting property taxes in 2023. Governor Abbott, Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick and House Speaker Dade Phelan, all Republicans, have already committed to using the \$3 billion in COVID relief funds on property tax reduction. The windfall of this increase of incoming tax money will give them more funds for the property tax relief project. Patrick has also proposed suspending the state motor vehicle fuel tax. In Texas, this tax on gasoline and diesel is 20 cents per gallon.

Comptroller, Glenn Hegar comes from an agriculture background and has been concerned for years on the items he recommended on investing in water infrastructure. This comes as 75% of the state is in an extreme drought. Ahead of the 2021 Legislature, Hegar used a report that stated they considered 203 of our 254 counties at elevated risk for scarce water resources, a risk mitigated through Texas Water Development Board water financing programs.

The Texas School Coalition expressed a desire for the lawmakers to spend part of the money on to improve school funding for safety, technology, and new facilities. The group's executive director, Christy Rome noted that state leaders' desire to address rising property taxes should not come at the students' expense.

Lt. Governor Dan Patrick has released his top 2023 Legislative priorities which includes everything from border security and the criminal justice system to the Covid 19 impact on educators and books in school libraries, are just a few of the items

TFRW has set Legislative Day for Friday February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Workshops and seminars are planned to educate us on how all the Legislative action takes place and how we can help the process. So, mark your calendars for that day.





*Chris Hanie*

*Candidate, District 5*

I'm Chris Hanie and have lived in the same West Odessa house for over 20 years. I've been married to my wife just as long. Together we have five kids and seven grandkids who we absolutely love. We are faithful and committed to our church OCFC.

I am very thrilled to be running for City Council District 5, to create and make positive changes in our community.

PERSONAL BIO 2022:

**GREG CONNELL**

<https://www.facebook.com/GregConnellOdessaTX>

Precinct 4

**EDUCATION:**

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA  
Bachelor of Science, Public  
Affairs and Community Services.

**LOCATIONS:**

As a young man, my Dad was a Sears store manager. We were transferred every 3-4 years. Born in Lubbock, moved to Corpus, Midland & Houston. Then to Omaha, NE. Since then I have accepted job offers from Chicago, IL, San Diego, CA, Spokane, WA, Phoenix, AZ, Tyler & Abilene, TX. I am semi-Retired in Odessa. The best US city!

**OCCUPATIONS:**

USMC Veteran. At present: I am a Texas Test Administrator. Previous: Banking Branch Manager. Prior: I owned a Portrait Studio. Previous to that I was a corporate officer for a CA Corporation. Prior to that, I have worked in both corrections and social work.

**INTERESTS:**

Following Jesus Christ! Today: I enjoy investing, dogs, cooking, star watching & photography.





***Bill Bowen***

***JP Court – Precinct 3***

I am a lifetime resident of Odessa Ector County and Prct. 3. I was educated in Odessa Public Schools graduating from Odessa High School, then onto Odessa College. My brother Gerrid Bowen served as Ector County Commissioner Pct 3, and my sister in law, Carolyn Sue Bowen served as Ector County Treasurer for 24 years. My family has a history of serving our county. I served as Deputy Sheriff for Ector County as well.

I have 12 years Civil and Criminal Law Experience and 20 plus years Administrative Management experience. I feel that every case that comes before the court must be handled with justice, respect and dignity, in a manner that I would like to be treated.

**Fairness and justice will be my mission for this office.**

***Billy Hall***

***Ector County Commissioner***

Billy was born in Crane, Texas and moved to Odessa over 30 years ago where he has raised his three children with his wife Marilyn.

Billy has been the owner of Hall Electric for almost 18 years; Hall Electric specializes in commercial/industrial power applications and projects.

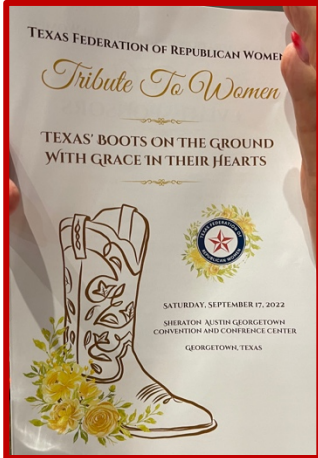
Marilyn Hall serves as Hall Electric’s office manager, and has been a dedicated homeschool volleyball coach for over 25 years. Marilyn also serves as a Sunday School teacher.

Billy and Marilyn have attended Westover Baptist for over 30 years and Billy serves as a church Trustee, serves on the church finance committee and is a praise team leader.

Billy and Marilyn’s children are Hanna Hartman whose husband Kendal is a Crane County Deputy Sheriff, daughter Cheyenne is the appointment manager for a Midland dentist and son Ben works with his dad at Hall Electric.

Billy’s motto is “Driven To Excellence” and he is looking forward to bringing his business experience and open door policy to the Ector County Commissioner’s Court.





*Tribute to Women was held in Georgetown in September with speaker Congresswoman Kat Cammack of Florida's 3rd Congressional District. She is the youngest Republican woman in the 117th Congress. Also pictured with Donna, Rachel, and Sherry is NFRW President, Eileen Sobjack.*

*Judy Calloway pictured here with Rachel & Donna. Judy is one of the greatest supporters of everything!!!!*



***TFRW Tribute to Women Honored Rachel Minor, Donna Kelm & Jaye Nabarrette(not pictured)***





*Dr. Dana Myers at September luncheon.*

## **Contact US!**

We welcome your feedback and want to hear from you.

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*James Beachamp, Kit Whitefield and Stephern Robertson were our speakers for September.*



*Submitted by: Denise Swanner*

## ***Good Ole Fashion Mac and Cheese***

### **Ingredients**

#### **INGREDIENTS :**

- 3 cups dry elbow macaroni
- 4 Tbsp salted butter
- 2 (370 mL/12 oz) cans evaporated milk
- 1/3 cup milk of choice
- 2 large eggs
- 1/4 tsp garlic salt
- 4 cups cheddar cheese, shredded
- 2 cups mozzarella cheese, shredded
- 1 tsp paprika

#### **DIRECTIONS :**

- 1) Bring a large pot of water to a boil. Add salt and macaroni, and cook until al dente.
- 2) Drain and return to the pot.
- 3) Add in the butter and stir until the butter is melted. Set aside.
- 4) In a large bowl, mix together the evaporated milk, milk, eggs and garlic salt until fully combined.
- 5) In a separate bowl, mix together the cheeses.
- 6) Preheat the oven to 375°F. Lightly spray a 9×13 inch baking pan.
- 7) Layer 1/3 of the macaroni, then 1/3 of the cheese.
- 8) Repeat with the remaining macaroni and cheese mixture.
- 9) Pour the milk mixture over top. Sprinkle the paprika evenly on top.
- 10) Bake in the preheated oven for 25-30 minutes.



Local News  
News Releases



Posted on: September 9, 2022

September Sales Tax Check

The City saw an increase in sales tax revenue with September's sales tax revenue total of \$4,342,345.33 which reflects a \$746,354.53, or 20.76% as compared to September 2021.

The City of Odessa received its September sales tax check, in the amount of, \$5,427,931.66. This amount includes the Economic Development sales tax of ¼ cent. The City of Odessa will receive \$4,342,345.33 and the Odessa Development Corporation will receive \$1,085,586.33.

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The year-to-date total sales tax revenue for fiscal year 2021-22 is up 29.32%, or \$10,993,588.69 as compared to budgeted amount expected at this point in the fiscal year.

In addition, the 2021-22 year-to-date amount is above the previous fiscal year-to-date amount by \$7,134,670.71 or 17.25%.

The City has budgeted \$37,500,000.00 in net sales tax revenues for this current fiscal year.

Hear ye, hear ye

Sales tax revenue is generated by sales tax revenue from two months prior to collection, i.e., September's collection is based on July sales.



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If you are interested in submitting information to be placed in our newsletter please email to: [ecrwtxas@gmail.com](mailto:ecrwtxas@gmail.com) ECRW allows all Republican candidates to place articles as well. **ECRW does not support one Republican candidate over another.** We just support Republicans as a whole! If you have any questions, please contact

Donna Kelm cell: 432-413-8894.



Odessa Police Department

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Thank You!

Our officers were all smiles today after being presented gift baskets and goodies from the [Ector County Republican Women](#).

We are truly grateful for the communit... See More



*Donna, Sandy & Jaye*



Ector County Sheriff's Office

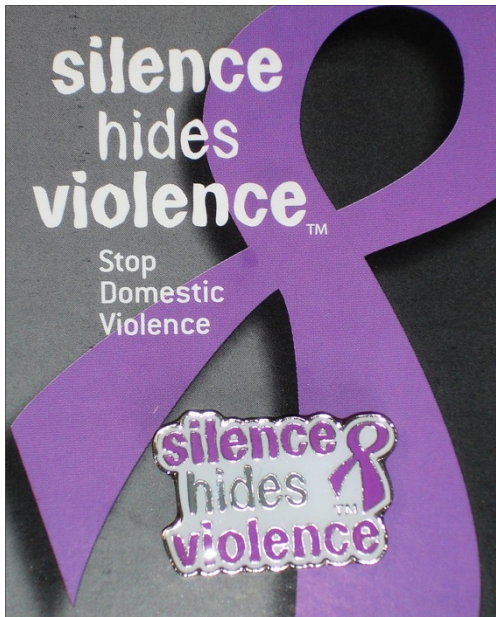
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10-4-2022\*\*\*Ector County Sheriff's Office would like to give a huge THANK YOU to The Ector County Republican Women for bringing us such tasty treats!!\*\*\*





September was our **First Responder Appreciation** event where we made 21 custom baskets for our Police, Sheriff, DPS and Fire personnel. These baskets included snacks, drinks, aspirin, vitamins, word search magazines and personal protection items. We also included handwritten thank you notes to encourage our first responders and to let them know how grateful we are for all their efforts. Delivering these baskets was a blessing in itself. The Police department especially made us feel as important and appreciated as they are to us. They are so grateful for the thoughts and prayers. Following are few photos to enjoy...





**ECRW Guest Speaker for November**  
**Jenny Cudd - Wednesday, Nov. 16th**  
**Odessa Country Club**

**Tickets are \$25 in advance, plus processing fees. .**

(A limited number of seats will be sold at the door for \$35)



*Jenny Cudd* - West Texas native, born & raised in Lubbock. Jenny was home-schooled K-12. She was Miss Teen Lubbock in 2000 & launched a children's literacy program. She also wrote a series of children's books and was very involved in local community theater groups. She began college at 17.

At the age of 18, she moved to NYC to pursue her dream of becoming a famous movie star. Jenny worked at Tavern on the Green and the Hilton Times square while taking voice, dance, & acting lessons. In 2005, she took a backpacking trip to Italy with her mom and one brother. Eight days into the trip, she got a job and stayed for 2 years.

In 2007, she moved back to Lubbock from Italy due to a major health concern. Then she moved to Midland, TX in 2008 for school & stayed. She eventually earned her associates from Midland College in Drug & Alcohol Abuse Counseling followed by a Bachelors in Psychology with a minor in music from the University of Texas Permian Basin.

#### Political Involvement

Jenny has been involved in politics since she was at least 5 years old when she attended her first protest outside of Planned Parenthood in Lubbock, Tx. She also campaigned and block-walked many years to help re-elect Texas State Representative Carl Isett who served 14 years in the Texas House of Representatives. In 2004, she was a prec

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#### Community and Entrepreneurship

Jenny is a serial entrepreneur beginning with a lemonade stand & selling crafts as a child to creating an artisan handmade fashion company that sold across the country when she was 20. She bought Becky's Flowers in 2015 after working there for a year (starting as a part-time delivery driver). In 2017, she won the inaugural Midland Entrepr

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#### HELP THE JANUARY 6TH POLITICAL PRISONERS

Countless patriotic Americans have been incarcerated pre-trial for over 14 months. Hundreds of other J6ers have lost their businesses, homes, etc. StopHate.com is a great website to find all of the fundraisers for the J6 patriots. STOP HATE

#### WRITE THE J6ERS

The Patriot Mail Project is an outstanding organization to send letters of encouragement to both the incarcerated & not incarcerated January 6th defendants.

#### PATRIOT MAIL PROJECT

#### JENNY CUDD'S PATRIOT LEGAL DEFENSE

On January 6th, I went to DC to support President Trump and fight for fair elections. At the Capitol, I went inside the building along with several hundred people through an open door that the Capitol Police opened. I did not destroy any property or partake in violence of any kind. Patriots don't do that! An emotional video I made that night went viral and has been taken massively out of context. Cancel culture has attacked my small businesses and those associated with me. I've received death threats and 1000, or more, 1-star Google reviews from cancel culture across the country. I've been called an American terrorist. I love my country, President Trump, the Constitution, and the Christian principles our country was founded on. God made me a fighter, not a coward, and I refuse to let cancel culture destroy my life, my business, or my country!

*Eliel Rosa*

Husband to Jaci for 30 years, and father to Stephen and Conrad, ELIEL ROSA has built a solid career in the urban planning and public policy arenas in Brazil, Latin American countries, Portuguese-speaking African nations, Spain and in the US for the past 20 years. However, instead of keeping a long list of professional credentials and accomplishments, there is a special, top feature he would want you to retain: he is a diehard America-loving legal immigrant! As such, he will always be intentional toward expressing his passion for this nation as a way to impress you above anything else! Yes, there are many other people much more professionally, academically and spiritually prepared than he is to carry out the tasks he intends to implement here. Yet, you can be certain of something: Eliel is part of quite a select group of newcomers who have been able to transform their passion into

action aiming at the healing and restoration of this great Nation! So, welcome to the Nehemiah220 passion: to bring the shining light of America's Covenant with God back to the world's hill.

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We need to spread the #REDWAVE! Everyone needs to take this election very serious and spread the word to **Keep Texas RED!!!!** Do you want Texas to be in the same shape as the United States???? Then spread the word to vote for Governor Abbott.



# CALENDAR

## October

3<sup>rd</sup> Board Meeting  
 19<sup>th</sup> ECRW Luncheon  
 31<sup>st</sup> Halloween

## November.

1<sup>st</sup> Board Meeting  
 8<sup>th</sup> Election Watch Par  
 16<sup>th</sup> ECRW Luncheon  
 24<sup>h</sup> Thanksgiving



## December

5<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting  
 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day

TBA  
 31<sup>st</sup> Christmas Come & Go  
 New Year's Eve

**A VERY MERRY**  
**CHRISTMAS**  
 and Happy New Year!

**OCTOBER IS**  
 breast cancer  
 awareness month  
 Perform self-breast exams  
 monthly and get screened!

**2022**

**OFFICERS/BOARD**

**President**

Rachel D. Minor

**Past President**

Sherry Hurt

**Vice-President Programs**

Denise Swanner

**Recording Secretary**

Jaye Nabarrette

**Correspondence Secretary**

Shelley Rodgers

**Treasurer/Newsletter**

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Jill Miller

**Chaplain**

Shaye Lane

**VP Membership**

Becky Heald

**Badges**

Ashleigh Amonett

**VIP/Patron Activities**

**Campaign Activities**

Irene LeMarr

**Awards**

Lindy Wright

**Legislative Chair**

Judy Calloway

**Elected Official Liaison**

**Website/Social Media**

Facebook/Instagram

**Public Relations**

Erica Hinojos

**Scholarships**

Dottie Chavez

**Hospitality**

Jolene Hawkins

**Caring for America**

**Special Events**

Debi Hays

**ECRW Guest Speaker for October 2022**

***Katherine Parker & Eliel Rosa***

***Wednesday, October 19th***

***Odessa Country Club***

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**Katherine Parker** is a successful Business Owner and lifelong West Texan.

She has lived in Jeff Davis, Presidio and Brewster counties most of her life. She is also a graduate of Sul Ross State University Alpine, Texas. Along with her husband, Chance Parker, they are owners of several businesses, investment ventures, and a cattle ranch in Brewster County & Jeff Davis County.

Having worked in multiple areas of business, Katherine understands and sees there are numerous issues that Texas businesses and employees face. She knows that in order to create an atmosphere of success for economic prosperity for all businesses and workers, it is vital Texans have the opportunity to live free of big government. It takes a team to succeed. Katherine is part of the hard-working Texans, a team of everyday citizens dedicated to securing a prosperous future for generations to come.

Katherine’s campaign can be summed up in two words: Truth and Freedom. These are forever intertwined in our history and will determine the victory of our future. Our founding fathers knew this when they established our foundation on the Constitution of the United States of America. Our future is bright – Truth and Freedom must ring loud and clear.



September 30, 2022

Today, I voted NO on the Democrat stopgap funding bill, also called a continuing resolution. The bill before us was another failed opportunity to address a number of crises facing our country—including skyrocketing inflation, our wide-open southern border, and illicit drugs endangering our communities.

We need real solutions. That is exactly what Republicans have introduced the Commitment to America, a plan to get our country back on track. Learn more by clicking [here](#).

### Service Academy Night

Tuesday evening, I hosted a Service Academy Night for students interested in starting their journey of military service at one of our prestigious military academies. We had so many wonderful students, parents, and teachers come out to the Midland Army Airfield Museum to learn more about the application and nomination process.

Our district is home to many driven and patriotic students who have promising careers ahead of them as they answer the call to serve our nation. I look forward to watching their success and cheering them on.

In case you were unable to attend, you can learn more on my website. The deadline to apply for a nomination through my office is October 28th.



## Southern Border Crisis

This week, my office was made aware of reports that buses of illegal migrants were traveling through Odessa. I immediately coordinated with Representative Brooks Landgraf, and Ector County Sheriff Mike Griffis to investigate the reports. As of now, it is unclear where the buses originated and whether or not the migrants were dropped off or continued on.

I will continue to work with all federal agencies to investigate this matter.

The President's policies have encouraged more than 4.2 million illegal migrants, including known terrorists and convicted drug criminals to cross the southern border. The Permian Basin should not be forced to pay the price for President Biden's border crisis. I will continue working closely with our state and local representatives to make sure our community is safe and informed.

The Biden Administration must answer to the American people on why they refuse to work with Republicans to secure our border and prevent terrorists and criminals from entering our country.

As the top Republican on the House Homeland Security Intelligence and Counterterrorism Subcommittee, I recently sent a letter to Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas regarding the recent Department of Homeland Security (DHS) intelligence report indicating that the Maduro regime is releasing violent prisoners from Venezuela to be sent in migrant caravans to the Southwest border.

The number of Venezuelan migrants encountered by U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has increased nearly 3,000 percent from fiscal year 2020 to fiscal year 2022. Given the reports of the deliberate, nefarious actions of the illegitimate Maduro regime, it is more important than ever that our border patrol agents have the tools and capabilities in place to identify foreign violent criminals and terrorists.

## A Helping Hand

Camille and I are praying for safety, comfort, and peace for our neighbors in Florida and all who were in the path of Hurricane Ian. The devastation is nothing less than heartbreaking.

I was inspired by a [story shared by News West 9](#) about the incredible first responders and emergency personnel from our district and across Texas who put their lives on hold to assist Florida.

A Salvation Army Emergency Disaster Services (EDS) team from Texas, including an Incident Management Team and six mobile feeding units, departed Texas on Wednesday morning and headed for Florida. They will provide additional support for the anticipated response effort. The Red Cross has also sent volunteers from around the Permian Basin to provide assistance.

Whether they are donating or volunteering, they are putting their prayers into action and taking the West Texas spirit to help. Thank you to everyone caring for their neighbor - near and far.

## Attacks on reliable, U.S. energy sources lead to dependence on adversaries

In case you missed it, I wrote a column in the Washington Times about how the Democrats' radical anti-energy agenda is leading to a dependence on our adversaries for energy.

Democrats are recklessly pursuing their unrealistic energy transition and punishing reliable baseload power to appease Green New Deal interests. The so-called “Inflation Reduction Act” allocated nearly \$400 billion towards fledgling clean energy projects while including a punitive “natural gas” tax on producers in the Permian Basin.

The crowning achievement of President Biden’s energy policy will not be the transition he desires; it will be an increased dependence on foreign adversaries and high costs for global consumers. We will become dependent on the Middle East for oil and gas and on China for critical minerals which are essential inputs for modern technology. Domestic manufacturing and jobs will likely move abroad, and economic prosperity witnessed prior to 2020 will not return.

**We are not in an energy transition, but an ENERGY EXPANSION.** World demand for energy is projected to increase 47 percent by 2050 over 2020 demand, with natural gas and oil supplying 50 percent of the world’s energy needs. The United States—not Russia, Iran, or China—must position itself to fulfill future demands.

### Announcing the Congressional App Challenge

I am excited to invite middle and high school students in the 11<sup>th</sup> District to enter the nationwide Congressional App Challenge. Students will have access to industry resources to help them create an app of their choosing. In an increasingly digital age, it is crucial for students to develop their skills in computer science and STEM while propelling America forward as an economic and innovative powerhouse.

The Congressional App Challenge is open to all middle and high school (grades 6-12) students in the 11th Congressional District of Texas. Students can work alone or with a team of up to four to create and code their own app. Students entering the competition must submit their app to [CongressionalAppChallenge.us](https://CongressionalAppChallenge.us) during the Competition Submission Period through November 1st, 2022.

The winner from the 11th Congressional District, chosen by a panel of expert judges, will be featured on the House of Representatives website, [House.gov](https://House.gov), as well as on [CongressionalAppChallenge.us](https://CongressionalAppChallenge.us). The winning app will also be displayed in the U.S. Capitol among other winners from across the country. Additional sponsor prizes are to be announced.

Students interested in applying can easily sign up at the [App Challenge website](https://CongressionalAppChallenge.us) or find more information about the challenge on my website.



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