



# The RIGHT WRITE-UP



## The Republican Club of Comal County

*A political group of conservative Republican men and women.  
Our goal is to inform about current issues and conservative candidates.*

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### OUR NEXT MEETING

#### THE REPUBLICAN CLUB OF COMAL COUNTY

will meet on Tuesday, February 27, at 6:30 p.m. *(social mixer at 5:30)*

**at the First Protestant Church of New Braunfels, 172 W. Coll Street.  
(Enter the parking lot by the Civic Center from Coll St.)**

The Club will provide light refreshments such as veggie trays, snacks, and desserts. The Club will also provide utensils, water, tea, and coffee. Members and guests can bring salads and desserts to share, if desired.

We encourage members to arrive early. This will allow time to pay dues, greet friends and guests, and partake of refreshments before the meeting starts.

Please share this meeting announcement with friends and family. As we grow in numbers, our influence grows with our elected officials, and they will respond to our calls on legislative priorities.

Questions? Call or email our President, Al Highfield, at 830-255-1367 or at [Albert.Highfield@yahoo.com](mailto:Albert.Highfield@yahoo.com).



**Our guest speaker will be**

**Caryl Ayala**

**Director of Concerned Parents of Texas  
and Secretary and Board Member of  
Innovative Teachers of Texas.**

**She will talk about**

**“You Want Me To Teach What?”**

**Please join us for this timely and informative talk.**

**See Page 3 for more information about Mrs. Ayala.**

### A Message From Our President

Hello, Republican Club of Comal County Members!!!!

I am proud to be your President and to lead such a great organization. The upcoming Primary Election is just around the corner, so everyone votes for their choice. After the Primary Election, we all must focus on getting the selected candidates elected to change the direction of our county, state, and country. We all must support our Republican values and the resolutions to keep us free from tyranny and government overreach. If you are a Precinct Chair, or not, get active in your neighborhood and block walk to encourage your friends and neighbors to get involved!!! I know that through my experience in my own neighborhood, everyone I talk with is eager to listen for information on the elections. I look forward to our meetings this spring because we have some interesting speakers coming to our club. Stay safe and help us keep Comal County, Texas, and America **RED!!!!!!**

President Albert F. Highfield

**“GOD BLESS TEXAS”**

### OUR PATRON PROGRAM

The Republican Club of Comal County is thankful for those who have contributed to our Club through the Patron Program during 2024.

Patrons donate \$100 per year per person to help us finance our election strategy.

Suzanne Badger	Helen Horvath	Austinn Pruneda
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Hoss Boyd	Barbara Layer	Craig Rowlands
Geneva Boyd	Susie LeCanu	Sylvai Sanchez
Edison Bryant	Donna Lee	Harold Sanchez
Chris Byrd	Kerry Ledford	Maria Seiler
Derick Carver	Doug Leacock	Patrick Seiler
Suzi Casey	Don Lieske	Joy Streater
Ruth Chambers	Al Malmsten	Christopher Suchil
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Albert Highfield	Kathy Phillips	Diane Young
Vicki Highfield	Robert Phillips	
Marty Hiles	Sue Piner	

Contact our Membership Chairman, Maria Seiler, at 612-845-4027, to become a Patron member or for more information.

Patrons receive a special personalized Texas flag name tag.

## Our guest speaker for February:

**Mrs. Caryl Ayala,**

**Board Member and Secretary  
Innovative Teachers of Texas**

Caryl has been teaching young elementary-school-aged children for 20 years. She is passionate about her students and their families. She has built strong and trusting relationships with them at every opportunity. Caryl is also a Family Life Ministry Coordinator at Oak Meadow Baptist Church in Austin, Texas. She is married to Jorge Ayala. Together they have two married sons and one grandson.

She left education after discovering Austin ISD would implement a radical LGBT sex ed program and founded Concerned Parents of Texas, which she is currently the director of.

"We are parents, grandparents, educators, and community members who are against the radical sex ed and LGBT agenda being introduced to children as young as 4 through "anti-bullying," "relationship education," and school sex ed curricula. We believe that we, as parents, have the right to give our children the right message about sex. The message being taught in schools is setting up our children for disease, abuse, and negative life outcomes, and we will no longer sit silently by. By arming parents with facts and tools, we aim to ensure schools are a safe place for actual learning."

Caryl continues "I'm thinking that there is so much going on, it's kind of like whack-a-mole. I see some really concerned, caring parents trying to do things about it, and they will expose something and then something else will come up. It's a barrage of constant attacks, on our American way of life for sure, but on the families and children and using the classroom to really indoctrinate our kids,"

## Basic Republican Principles

From its inception in 1854 and from its earliest stands against the oppressive institution of slavery, the Republican Party has defined itself as the protector of individual freedom. Today, 140 years later, we reaffirm our commitment as Republicans in the cause of freedom and liberty. And we redirect our course back to the basic tenets of our common Republican philosophy--a philosophy which includes among its components:

**A Belief in Smaller Government:** To preserve the sanctity of liberty of the individual, it is our belief that government must necessarily be limited. Otherwise, the paternalism of the few would restrict the freedom of the many to decide what is best for themselves.

**Support of the Federalist System of Government:** To bring power closer to the people, it is imperative that we restrict the growth of a centralized federal government. States ought to have the power to determine which programs and measures would be most appropriate and fitting for them.

**Fiscal Conservatism:** In keeping with our desires for the greatest individual liberty, we support policies of limited taxation and government spending.

**Strong National Defense:** We believe the best way to preserve the peace and protect our national interests abroad comes through a strong national defense.

**Individual Liberties and Responsibilities:** Along with individual liberties come individual responsibilities and duties. Government must act to preserve freedom, while individuals must exercise their responsibilities to preserve order.

**Tolerance, Inclusiveness, and Optimism:** We believe in the right of fellow Republicans to disagree on certain matters of principle and policy. We believe in being an open and inclusive party respectful of different points of view. We are indeed a "big-tent" party that offers no "litmus tests" or barriers to entry.

*From the Washington State University Republicans*

## Our Officers for 2024

President	Al Highfield
Vice President	Marty Hiles
Secretary	Leigh Ann Rowlands
Treasurer	Patrick Seiler
Past President	Mary Wohl
County Chair	Sue Piner

## Committee Chairs

Membership	Maria Seiler
Legislative Affairs	Lori Granados
Campaign Activities	Maria Seiler
Hospitality	<i>(Currently vacant)</i>
Parliamentarian	<i>(Currently vacant)</i>
Publicity Chair	Audrey Johnson Scheper
Facebook	<i>(Currently vacant)</i>
Newsletter Editor	Kerry Ledford
Special Events	Donna Lee
Special Projects	Ruth Chambers
Web Master	Audrey Johnson Scheper
Sergeant-at-Arms	Marty Hiles
Chaplain	Steve Ceh

## Comal County Precinct Chairs

Why do we publish the Comal County Precinct Chair List in the Republican Club Newsletter each month? Our mission as active Republicans is to support the political process. Each one of us should know what Precinct we live in and who serves as our Precinct Chair.

We should offer our assistance to our Precinct Chair for the elections. We can assist as an Election clerk or Election Judge on Election Day. We can offer to block walk to inform our neighbors of early voting. We can block walk for our chosen candidates. We can offer to take a list of Republicans to call with a reminder of the times and places to vote early. There are a number of ways an individual can help to assure a maximum Republican vote.

Studies show that when people intend to vote, but fail to vote early, a substantial percentage of that vote is lost on Election Day. There is a lot to be done. Please offer your help to your Precinct Chair.

<u>Precinct</u>	<u>Name</u>
County Chair	Sue Piner
Vice Chair	Marty Hiles
Recording Secretary	Judy Walker
Treasurer	Vicky Highfield
Assistant Treasurer	(vacant)
101	Sharon Hall Monge
102	Kaci Sisk
103	Laura Buske
104	J.B. Williamson
105	Ernie Lee
106	Chris Byrd
107	Anita Valdez
108	Albert Highfield
109	Clint Palpau
110	JoAnne Martin
201	Marty Hiles
202	(vacant)
203	James "Hoss" Boyd
204	Marlin Brown
205	Steve White
206	Kathy Phillips
207	John Brewer
208	Geri Baker
301	Will Moravits
302	Edison Bryant
303	Kenneth Kasper
304	(vacant)
305	Isabel Ibarra
306	Barbara Harrell
307	Timothy Davis
308	Mary Lou Erben
401	Robbie Borchers
402	Melinda Rapp
403	Carolyn Besselman
404	Teri Taylor
405	Molly Vogt
406	Joe Carroll
407	Susan Walker
408	Don Johnson

## Our Mission

The mission of the Republican Club of Comal County is to promote “Faith, Family, and Freedom” by providing information and education about critical political issues, by encouraging active participation in the political process, by supporting conservative Republican nominees, and by fostering loyalty to the Republican Party and its conservative ideals.

### Texas GOP top eight priorities for the upcoming legislative session

- **Protect our Elections:** Restore felony penalties and enact civil penalties for Election Code violations, which shall be enforceable by any Texas jurisdiction, including the Texas Attorney General. Require citizenship verification of each voter. Restrict the distribution of mail-in ballots to only disabled, military, and citizens that are out of state. Reduce the time allowed for early voting, and eliminate the three-day gap between early voting and election day. Establish closed primaries in Texas. As technology evolves, we encourage the passage of legislation that ensures the security of our elections.
- **Ban Democrat Chairs:** To ensure all legislative Republican priorities are given a fair opportunity to become law, the Republican-controlled Texas legislature shall adopt a rule that would end the practice of awarding committee chairmanships to Democrats.
- **Abolish Abortion in Texas:** Abolish abortion by ensuring the right to life and equal protection of the laws to all preborn children from the moment of fertilization, including adopting effective tools to ensure the enforcement of our laws to protect life when district attorneys fail to do so.
- **Stop Sexualizing Texas Kids:** Repeal Texas Penal Code “Obscenity Exemption” 43.24 (c), which allows children access to harmful, explicit, or pornographic materials, and 43.25 (f)(2 3), which allows sexual performance by a child. In addition, prohibit teaching, exposure, and/or discussion of sexual matters (mechanics, feelings, orientation, or “gender identity” issues), and prohibit use or provision of related books and other materials using criminal, civil or other enforcement measures.
- **Ban Gender Modification of Children:** Texas must ban chemical castration, puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, genital mutilation, bodily alteration surgery, psychological/social transitioning, and any other methods applied to or performed on children.
- **Secure the Border and Protect Texans:** Texas shall immediately deny all taxpayer-funded services and subsidies to illegal aliens. We call upon the Governor to assert his duty under Article 1, Section 10, Clause 3 of the US Constitution to declare an invasion on our Texas border and do everything in his power to protect Texans from this invasion. The legislature shall direct the Governor to enter into an Interstate Compact with one or more states for Border Security.
- **Parental Rights and Educational Freedom:** Parents are the primary decision-makers for their children in all matters. This authority shall be protected as an inalienable right. This shall include the choice of schooling where the money follows the child without strings attached, and enforcement and penalty mechanisms when parents’ rights are violated. The right to education shall be free from any social theories.
- **Defend Our Gun Rights:** Protect our gun rights against threats, such as red flag laws, federal, state or other restrictions, by strengthening and preserving our inalienable rights under the second amendment to protect our life, liberty and property. The Texas Legislature should eliminate gun-free zones.



## The Two Americas

Mark Tapson, The Culture Warrior Newsletter, January 26, 2024  
The rich, as F. Scott Fitzgerald once noted, are different.

This just in: the ruling class hates your freedoms.

The Committee to Unleash Prosperity (CUP), a D.C.-based nonprofit advocacy group led by Steve Forbes and economists Arthur Laffer and Stephen Moore, released a report this month announcing the findings of a Rasmussen poll which confirms what the "average" American already knew: the elites, to paraphrase F. Scott Fitzgerald, are different. What the average American may not already know is just how much of an existential threat to freedom the ruling class is.

CUP calls the report, titled "The Two Americas and How the Nation's Elite is Out of Touch with Average Americans," a "first-of-its-kind look at the views of the American Elite." This report is based upon two separate Rasmussen surveys of 1,000 members of the elite class conducted last September. It defined the elites as people having at least one post-graduate degree, earning at least \$150,000 annually, and living in high-population density areas (more than 10,000 people per square mile in their zip code). They represent a mere 1% of the U.S. population, but of course they have a disproportionate degree of power and influence, not least in terms of the topics and views that dominate public policy and the national conversation.

"These results confirm what people have long suspected," the report states. "Today, there are two Americas." As the authors write in their executive summary,

The people who run America, or at least think they do, live in a bubble of their own construction. They've isolated themselves from everyday America's realities to such a degree their views about what is and what should be happening in this country differ widely from the average American's.

The elites' views arise from what the authors of the report describe as a "fraternity culture" that, to some extent, crosses the political aisle (73% of the elites sampled in the report were Democrats, 14% Republicans). The ruling elite – regardless of political party – is "an exclusive club that sees and experiences America through a different lens than ordinary Americans." The study also examined a sub-sampling of attendees of Ivy League or other elite private schools such as Northwestern, Duke, and Stanford. Roughly half attended one of these schools; the report refers to these members as "Ivy League Graduates."

The findings reveal that, in the arena of personal finances, only about 20% of all Americans say they believe their finances are getting better under the Biden administration. Anyone who goes to the supermarket or gas station knows that, contrary to Biden administration gaslighting, the economy is disastrous compared to the Trump years. But a whopping 74% of the elite, and a full 88% of the Ivy League grads claim they are better off now.

On the topic of individual freedom, elites are three times more likely than all Americans to say that we have too much individual freedom (!). Almost six out of ten of the Ivy League graduates think there is too much freedom.

Too much individual freedom. Let that sink in.

It is notable that the younger the elites are, the more their totalitarian urges intensify. For those who are 55 or older, only 10% think there is too much individual freedom, whereas a majority (54%) of those under 35 hold that view. These people are going to constitute the ruling class for decades to come; this does not bode well for the future.

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Predictably, climate change is "an obsession of the very rich and highly educated." An astonishing 77% of them – including nearly 90% of the Ivy League graduates – favor the rationing of energy, gas, and meat to help save the planet. Among all Americans, 63% oppose the idea. The prevalence of this attitude across the board should terrify Americans.

Between half and two-thirds of elites favor a ban – a ban, mind you – on many modern conveniences such as gas stoves, gas-powered cars, air conditioning, SUVs, and "non-essential air travel". More than two-thirds of the Ivy League grads would ban each of these. For the average American, less than one in four of these voters favors such bans (it's alarming enough to realize that even that many favor banning these basic civilizational comforts; this reveals the extent to which the Left's cultural indoctrination about the "climate crisis" has taken hold).

To help reduce the impact of climate change, more than "two-thirds of elites (70%) said they would pay \$500 or more each year in taxes and higher costs... while nearly as many average Americans (72%) said they would only be willing to pay \$100 or less a year." It's depressing to realize that so many Americans believe that politicians are going to put higher taxes to good use, much less to actually change the weather.

Surprisingly, about half of Americans apparently hold a favorable opinion of lawyers, lobbyists, union leaders, or journalists (I would expect this figure to be much lower, especially considering the total collapse of trust in journalism today). Contrast this with the almost 80% of elites and the nearly 90% of elite college graduates who have a positive view of this powerful group of professionals.

Politically, 28% of Americans, as opposed to 67% of the elite, have a favorable opinion of Congress. As for President Biden himself, whose approval rating is cratering among most voters, his performance earned approval from an eye-popping 84% of the elites. Eighty-four percent think the decrepit puppet Joe Biden, who can't even find his way out of a conference room without being guided by a handler or his wife, is doing a great job.

On the hotly-contested issue of education: two-thirds (67%) of the elites would prefer a candidate who said education professionals rather than parents should decide what children are taught in school — only 38% of the public agrees. I have to assume that that 38% somehow remains clueless about what predominately far-left educators are actually teaching in schools: the tenets of critical race theory, the perversions of gender ideology, anti-capitalism, anti-"colonialism," social justice activism, and a self-loathing for our own country and civilization. And yet two-thirds of the elites want to keep those activists in control of our children's education and remove parents from the equation altogether.

As you might expect, the elites exhibit "an extraordinary level of trust in the government." Contrary to Ronald Reagan's quip that the nine most terrifying words in the English language are "I'm from the government and I'm here to help," 70% of elites trust the federal government to do the right thing most of the time. That is more than twice the national average. The survey notes that among the most politically active members of the elite, that figure rises to a jaw-dropping 89%.

The CUP report concludes that the elites "are wildly out of touch with the American people," particularly on the vital issue of individual freedom. Indeed, the authors warn that the "overall views of the Elites represent an existential threat to America's founding ideals of freedom, equality, and self-governance." [Emphasis added]

Is it any wonder that Donald Trump, who technically could be categorized as one of the elites but who is sneered at by that same ruling class both here and abroad as a "populist," has such passionate support on the Right? It is precisely because he threatens to take a wrecking ball to the ruling class' vision of totalitarian governance that he strikes such panic in the cold hearts of globalists at home and among the imperious Davos crowd internationally.

As the Committee to Unleash Prosperity report demonstrates, there are two Americas. But ultimately, to quote the movie *Highlander*, there can be only one. And whichever vision prevails – populist or elitist – will determine whether America still has a future as the land of the free.



## No Crime in Revolution

What "justice" means to the Left.

Mark Tapson, The Culture Warrior Newsletter, February 5, 2024

All Americans surely agree that justice is a social good; everyone wants a just society. But definitions matter: to those of us on the political Right, justice means dispensing appropriate consequences for those who break the law or commit some moral transgression. It means righting wrongs. It means prioritizing the innocent and the victim over the guilty and the criminal. It means stabilizing society by, as much as possible, fairly maintaining law and order for all citizens.

In addition, for the Right justice is generally an individual matter, addressed on a case-by-case basis, meaning that if a single crime or sin against another has been punished and restoration made to the victim(s), then justice has been done.

But our justice is not their justice. To the Left, who see everything through the distorting Marxist lens of oppressor-vs.-oppressed, justice means overthrowing the oppressor, end of story. They view it collectively; justice is not served until an entire guilty society is torn down and rebuilt from the ground up, and restoration has been made to all who were oppressed. Think of civil rights leader Fannie Lou Hamer's famous declaration, "Nobody's free until everybody's free."

For the Left, the end justifies the means; whatever empowers the oppressed and deconstructs systemic oppression is just. It does not necessarily have anything to do with law and order or right and wrong; instead, it has everything to do with crushing opposition to the revolution, by any means necessary, to reverse the power dynamics of an unjust society. "There is no crime in revolution!" went the Maoist slogan of the Cultural Revolution – meaning, no act which furthers the overthrow of the "old" can be considered criminal.

A truly horrific example of this is in the Left's defense of the barbaric terrorism waged by Hamas in Israel four months ago. Decent souls everywhere were sickened by the shocking war crimes committed there on October 7th, but the Left have been untroubled – even celebratory – and defiant. "You don't get to decide how we resist," is their pro-Hamas slogan on placards – on which blood drips threateningly from the letters of the word "RESIST." The perverse narrative behind this slogan is that Israel is an oppressor regime that must be overthrown, and therefore no crime committed by the purportedly oppressed Palestinians can be considered unjust. Gang rape, torture, murder, kidnapping, all of which were gleefully carried out by sadistic Hamas "freedom fighters," are not seen by the Left as crimes but as just "resistance."

Recent events offer up many other examples of ways in which the Left demonstrates its lust for total, permanent power and a blatant disregard for law and justice in pursuit of it.

Breitbart News, for example, reported that on Wednesday, 150 House Democrats voted against the "Protect Our Communities from DUIs Act" by Rep. Barry Moore (R-AL) which would make drunk driving grounds for ineligibility to be in the U.S.

In another vote this week, 155 House Democrats voted against legislation from Rep. Tom McClintock (R-CA) that would ensure ICE agents can promptly deport illegal aliens convicted of Social Security fraud against American citizens.

Both laws nevertheless passed, but the point is that the vast majority of Democrats went on record as wanting to protect illegal aliens from the consequences of their crimes because Democrats, who always prioritize criminals over law-abiding American citizens, are hell-bent on using a tsunami of illegal immigration to destabilize the country and import an insuperable voting majority. Illegals are necessary to bring about the revolution – hence, their breaking of immigration law is not truly criminal.

Nor are any of their violent crimes truly criminal, as long as those are committed against the "oppressor." Saturday, January 27th in New York City, a mob of illegal aliens living in a taxpayer-funded migrant shelter ruthlessly and fearlessly assaulted police officers who tried to take one of them into custody. They were later released on bail because New York is a sanctuary city; one of them even grinned and gave both middle fingers to media cameras after his release, just as Democrats who harbor such violent thugs in their sanctuary cities give both middle fingers to law-abiding Americans.

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By contrast, the Left has for three years nursed outrage over what they call an "untold number" of police officers they claim were injured by Trump supporters during the manufactured chaos at the Capitol on January 6, 2021. In this instance, the Left views Trump supporters as members of the white supremacist "oppressor" group, and the Capitol police to be protectors of democracy (i.e., the Biden administration); hence, any attacks on the officers are considered heinous crimes. The administration continues to this day to hunt down, with a prosecutorial vengeance, any protestor who happened to wander onto the Capitol grounds that day (or be guided inside by welcoming Capitol police).

Last Tuesday, six pro-life activists were found guilty of "conspiracy against rights" and violating the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances (FACE) Act with regard to a peaceful protest outside a Tennessee abortion facility in 2021. Among them, facing a maximum prison sentence of 11 years, are a 73-year-old and a 55-year-old Christian father of 11 children. This is not justice by any objective standard – this is unconscionable political persecution of pro-life Christians, a demographic that the Left despises because Judeo-Christian morality is an obstacle to the Democrat revolution against all traditional American norms.

By contrast, the male Congressional staffer who filmed himself and a male friend buggering each other after-hours in a Senate hearing room in December will face no charges, not even a basic obscenity misdemeanor, because, like drag queen groomers and gender ideology pornographers seeking to sexualize young children, their transgressive behavior is a form of revolution against the archaic, bourgeois sensibilities of an unjust American society.

Christian U.S. Navy veteran Michael Cassidy has been charged with a hate crime after tearing down a demonic Satanic Temple display at the Iowa State Capitol last December (check out my interview with him about that incident on The Right Take podcast). How many left-wing anti-Americans across the country have been charged with tearing down statues of the Founding Fathers, Christopher Columbus, and other historical icons in recent years? How many rioters and looters were charged with crimes in 2020, the year of Black Lives Matter devastation across the nation?

The Left views Cassidy's righteous outrage to be "hateful" because he destroyed a display dedicated to Satan, the first revolutionary (remember that left-wing strategist Saul Alinsky's book *Rules for Radicals* acknowledged Lucifer as "the first radical"), but the neo-Marxist revolutionaries destroying our national icons were given a pass because they were eradicating the history and monuments of their "oppressors." Similarly, the Left views Black Lives Matter looters not as criminals but as part of an oppressed class who are merely claiming reparations owed them.

The very definition of a despotic, anti-democratic government is one which weaponizes law enforcement against its political opponents while turning a blind eye to the blatant crimes of its own ideologues and allies.

Has the United States ever had an administration more committed than Joe Biden's to punishing cruelly anyone who has stood in the way of the revolution to fundamentally transform our nation? Or one so lawless that it willfully abandons immigration law and border security, refuses to charge violent Black Lives Matter rioters with crimes, and seeks to destroy the lives of peaceful pro-life protesters?

The blatant hypocrisy and double standards are jaw-droppingly egregious, but it isn't enough for the Right simply to point out the Left's hypocrisy, because the Left is impervious to being shamed. Leftists don't care what they're accused of, because they never play defense. They are perpetually on the offensive. They cannot be shamed even with undeniable evidence of hypocrisy or wrongdoing, which they simply ignore. For a Party and movement that are on a self-righteous mission to "save democracy" and "save the planet," no transgression is beyond the pale; anything and everything they do to further their agenda is justifiable in their minds ("No crime in revolution!"). And conversely, anything and everything the Right stands for is an evil obstacle to the Left's utopian vision and must be destroyed by any means necessary.

The Right needs to waste no more energy on futile complaints about leftist hypocrisy and focus instead on simply waging war against the Left's revolution to replace our civilization with a collectivist dystopia.

## You can be a delegate to the Republican State Convention!

### What is the Republican State Convention?

It's a place for people who vote in the Republican Primary election, or affiliate with the party, to define our shared beliefs and to determine how we will promote them. We do this by creating a platform and by setting rules and electing people to run the party between conventions.

### Who can attend the Republican State Convention?

Anyone who is a registered voter, who has affiliated with the Republican Party, either by voting in the Party Primary or by taking an oath of affiliation, and has been duly elected by the lower level conventions. You can only affiliate with one party during each election year.

### What is a delegate?

Delegates are grassroots Republicans who participate in the shaping of the Republican Party, its role, and its direction regarding public policy. They volunteer and are chosen by their districts to attend the party's conventions in each even-numbered year.

### Step 1: Precinct Conventions

**When and where:** Your 2024 Precinct Convention will be held sometime after the polls close on Primary Election Day (March 5, 2024) at your designated polling location and before the start of the County/Senate District Conventions (March 23, 2024, 4th Saturday in March).

Please check with your local Republican County Chair for the most up-to-date information. (See [https://www.texasgop.org/county\\_chairs/](https://www.texasgop.org/county_chairs/))

**What to expect:** If you are a registered voter and affiliated with the Republican Party, you can participate in this convention. You can introduce and vote on resolutions. Then elect delegates and alternates to the next convention level.

### Step 2: County / Senate District Conventions

**When and where:** Your County or SD Convention will be held on March 23, 2024. Your county party sets the location and time.

**What to expect:** In the days or weeks before the convention, you can visit committee meetings and let them know what issues are important to you. At the convention, you'll set the rules by which the convention will operate. You will be able to vote on resolutions the committees have worked on. Then you'll elect delegates and alternates to the state convention level.

### Step 3: State Convention

**When and where:** This convention will be held in San Antonio from May 20-25. Committees will meet beginning May 20. General Session and Caucuses will meet May 23-25. Please check [www.texasgop.org](http://www.texasgop.org) for convention details.

**What to expect:** You will be able to testify before the committees on issues you care about, vote on the platform that will state the beliefs of the Party, vote on the rules that will steer the Party, elect the State Chair, State Vice-chair and your State Republican Committeeman and Committeewoman who will serve the next two years. You will also elect the National Committeeman and National Committeewoman, and elect National Delegates, and Electors.

**Why become a delegate to the Republican State Convention?** Because you will have an instrumental role in shaping the beliefs of the Party and determining the methods of implementation in public policy.

## RCOCC Community Outreach for 2024

### New Braunfels Food Bank Partnership:

- ◆ Every dollar donated = 7 meals
- ◆ Need Food donated
- ◆ Volunteer opportunities (Packing Food & Garden)

### Army Fischer House Partnership:

- ◆ Provides housing to Veterans whose families are getting medical attention at Brooke Army Medical Center
- ◆ Need monetary donations (tax deductible)
- ◆ Donations of supplies (toothbrushes, batteries, etc.)
- ◆ Volunteer opportunities as a team

### Fourth of July Parade: New Braunfels:

- ◆ RCOCC Float
- ◆ Option to place Flags at one of the local bases
- ◆ We could partner with other Republican Clubs for the Flags

### Freedom Walk: 9-11:

- ◆ Have RCOCC Members attend wearing RCOCC T-Shirts

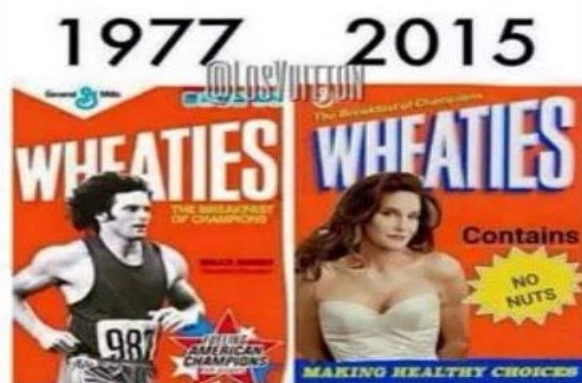
### Halloween: October 31:

- ◆ Have RCOCC Volunteers pass out Candy
- ◆ Collect Candy in September from volunteers

### Christmas:

- ◆ RCOCC Parade
- ◆ Wreaths at Fort Sam or another military base
- ◆ We could partner with other Republican Clubs for the wreaths

What can happen if you eat Wheaties for 38 years!



Torn jeans are not a good idea in summer! 😂





I read that, by law, you have to turn on your headlights when it's raining in Sweden. How the hell am I supposed to know if it's raining in Sweden?



I had a really bad day. First, my Ex got run over by a bus.

Then I got fired from my job as a bus driver.



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"Take down that barbed wire! It's inhumane!"

"Not if you don't climb over it"





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