

★ President's Corner ★

Hazel Thomas



PROUD OF YOU!

My year as President has come to an end and I am very proud of the members of Bar-W to have exceeded many goals.

My goal for Bar-W this year was to reach the Gold Award (National) and the John Goodwin Tower Award (State). That, in part, was accomplished by presenting programs to meet the expected criteria. Since the Gold Award was for the years 2004 and 2005, some of the things we were able to accomplish to reach this goal were: Providing a website, attendance at the State Federation Meetings, the NFRW Convention in Nashville and the TFRW Convention in Corpus Christi, donations to St Jude's Ranch for Children, initiating a program for needed items to the Soldiers and Family Assistance Center at BAMC, presenting a program on Homeland Security, Primary Elections, Texas Scholarship program, Water Rights Education, providing dictionaries to the 3rd graders in our area, writing letters to the State Department for delivery to the women of Iraq, participating in a Candidate's Forum, Door-to-Door Campaign and working Republican Headquarters for the Re-election of President Bush, personal donations to the GOP candidates, care packages to the 1st Battalion in Iraq, donating books to the local library and becoming a Patron for the TFRW. These were some of the items needed to achieve our accomplishments. Along with the 2004 President Hazel Roman, I am proud to have been a part of this accomplishment.

Bar-W is only three-years-old and has provided leadership and information to the West End of Comal County. We have become a very viable tool for our community and with your continued support, will continue to grow.

Thanks to Hazel Roman for the many duties she has so diligently performed, to Monica for keeping track of our volunteer hours, to Laura for providing our website, to Renita for her diligence in holding down spending, to Sonja for providing programs, to Susan for keeping up with our member numbers, to Julie for keeping track of our minutes, to Gay for her expertise in Parliamentary procedure, to Elaine for chairing the Boutique, to Diana

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Happy Birthday



Bar-W!

Let's celebrate our 3rd Birthday!

Be at GVTC at 7:00pm
on Monday, January 9, 2006
and have a piece of

Birthday CAKE!!

keynote speaker:

TFRW District Director #25

Carol Van deWalle

and she will perform the
Installation of the 2006 Officers

2nd Monday, is the New Meeting Date for 2006 !

2006

Program Schedule:

2nd Monday, 7:00pm at GVTC
unless otherwise *noted

Upcoming:

Feb. 13 - Genny Hensz
Election Procedures



January 9, 2006

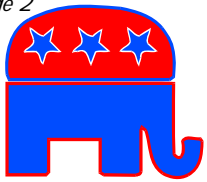
Bar-W's 3rd Birthday!

Speaker:

Carol Van deWalle
TFRW District Director #25

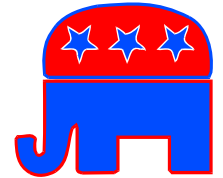
**Installation of
2006 Officers**

Call Laura at 830-228-4983 with Program suggestions



GOP Guest Column

Jeff Wentworth - State Senator, District 25



DRIVE SOBER

Alcohol-related accidents or arrests are sure ways to take the “happy” out of “Happy Holidays” and the “merry” out of “Merry Christmas.”

As Texans celebrate the season with family and friends, they should be reminded that failing to obey alcohol-related laws can cost offenders time, money and, possibly, their lives. Each session, the Texas Legislature passes laws that we hope will have a sobering effect on Texas drivers.

During the 2003 regular legislative session, we significantly increased the penalty for driving while intoxicated (DWI), adding a \$1,000 surcharge for a first-time DWI conviction and \$1,500 for a second conviction.

We also increased the punishment for drivers who are racing drunk, who have open containers of alcohol in their vehicles when racing, or who seriously injure or kill someone when racing. It is now a state jail felony to drive while intoxicated with a passenger younger than age 15 in the vehicle.

In 2005, the 79th Legislature

targeted adults who provide alcohol to minors. Beginning September 1 of this year, adults who give or sell alcohol to a minor face not only a fine of up to \$4,000 and/or up to one year in jail, they could also lose their driver’s license for six months. The suspension may be extended up to one year for subsequent offenses.

Minors who purchase, attempt to purchase, possess, or consume alcohol, as well as minors who are intoxicated in public or who misrepresent their age to buy alcohol, may be fined up to \$500, required to take an alcohol awareness class, perform up to 40 hours of community service and lose their driver’s license for up to 180 days.

If the driver is 17 or older, and the violation is the third offense, he or she may be fined up to \$2,000 and confined to jail for up to 180 days, or both. The offenders also face an automatic driver’s license suspension.

Anyone under the age of 21 should

remember that it is illegal to drive with any detectable amount of alcohol. Minors convicted of DWI face fines of up to \$500, driver’s license suspensions of up to 60 days for a first offense and 120 days for a second offense.

They will also be required to attend alcohol awareness classes and perform community service. A third offense may result in fines of up to \$2,000 and confinement in jail for minors over age 17.

Those who disobey the law may find themselves being cited by a Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) trooper, or by a local law officer. DPS will have all available troopers patrolling Texas roadways from Saturday, December 24, through midnight on Monday, December 26.

Texas Law Officers and I would much prefer that you voluntarily comply with alcohol-related laws rather than be cited for violating them. Compliance may save your life and the lives of those you love.

...A third offense may result in fines of up to \$ 2 , 0 0 0 and confinement in jail for minors over age 17.

BAR-W VOLUNTEERS HONORED AT 3RD ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Without a doubt, Bar-W Volunteers put the **Grand** in **Grand Old Party!**

Pictured on the right, is the 2005 Volunteer Award Pin, which was presented to the volunteers who were in attendance at the Christmas Party. We are so proud of the volunteers who make this club a success and are thrilled they are proud to serve. Many were wearing the pins on their evening attire when they left the party.

In her article on page 1, President Hazel Thomas, mentioned quite a few areas where members had an opportunity to volunteer and to add to the list: bringing refreshments to the monthly meetings, helping set-up at meetings and

events, cleaning up at same, Pack the Bus, decorating and the hundreds of “chores” that make Bar-W run.

Success is not doing one thing 100% better, but doing 100 things 1% better and Bar-W volunteers do those 100 things more than 1% better! We are a success because of **YOU!!**

For the members who have not received their award pins, please pick up yours at RavenHome Gifts in the Bulverde HEB Shopping Center. Below is the list of Volunteers for 2005. If your name is not on the list and you know you did Bar-W volunteer work, please let Renita know when you pick up your award pin and she will add your name.



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| Susan & Michael Abelow | Ruth Allen |
| Ann & Warren Alston | Kassie Alston |
| Sheri Baetz | Gay Barton |
| Brett Bousman | Emma Brann |
| Barbara Brodeur | Judy Burkett |
| Yvonne Chapman | Charlie Cantu |
| Olivia Clements | Willa Compere |
| Terry Cozart | Diane Dasher |
| Sam Delmas | Peggy Dickson |
| Wanette & Glenn Easterly | Lynn Eason |
| Colene Farrer | Kathy Faulkner |

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“Check Out” the Way Bar-W Ended 2005!

By: Sonja Heldt-Harris



The Bulverde Area Republican Women Literacy Chairman, Ann Alston, presents Greg Pringle of the Bulverde/Spring Branch Library a handful of books.

These books, autographed by the

many different speakers that came to inform the members in 2005, are given to the library as Bar-W's last successful community project for the year.

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for making sure we had goodies at every meeting, to Dayna for leading us in prayer and to all the committee chairs and their helpers, who worked hard to make this year rewarding. I know the pay was low, but the rewards were beneficial. Many of you exceeded your duties without being asked and for this I really appreciate your teamwork, loyalty and dedication.

As we start 2006, I am asking you to give your best to provide guidance and strength to the Officers and Committee Chairman. I sincerely wish your new President, Sonja Heldt-Harris, and all the officers a very productive and prosperous New Year.

Thank you all for your prayers, cards and flowers during my illness and recovery. Blessings to all of you as you share Christmas with family and friends.

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|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Elaine & Danny Flaherty | Donna Gibbons-Markey | Sandy Hancock |
| Kathy Hargrave | Sonja & Bill Harris | Toni Hoese |
| Marisa Hogan | Marian Hull | Maddy Junco |
| Kassie Kelly | Jessica Kilcrease | Sharon Knibbe |
| Dayna Leggett | Bev Lemes | Delores Lopez |
| Gwen Ludka | Monica Marin | Tiffany Marin |
| Michael Maurer | Tessye Maurer | Mal McClinchie |
| Colette McDermott | Babbie Migl | Jay Millikin |
| Kathi O'Bryant | Donna O'Conner | Diana & Ron Price |
| Linda Quintero | Renita Rabozzi | Shirley Remmert |
| Diana Ridgway | Hazel & Buzz Roman | Frances Shannon |
| Caroline Stryjewski | Laura & Cas Stryjewski | Hazel Thomas |
| Philip Thomason | Carlyn Townsend | Frances Von Rosenberg |
| Jane Wanke | Julie & Richard Weber | Angela Weissgarber |
| Tina White | JoAnn Wilson | |

Thank you all for your time, energy and talents!

January

Birthdays

- Carlyn Townsend.....1
- Laura Stryjewski.....2
- JoAnn Wilson10
- Marijo Kidd.....14
- John Clements.....16
- Sheriff Bob Holder.....16
- Diane Dasher.....19
- Deana Smith.....20
- Barbara Gayl Ancira21
- Genny Hensz.....21
- Al Marin.....24
- Audrey McClinchie.....24
- Angela Weissgarber.....25
- Bonnie Cejka.....28
- Buddy Faulkner.....28
- Dude Strauch.....29

Wedding Anniversaries

- T.D. & Marty Thomas __-87
- D.L. & Lisa Schraub..... 1-02
- Jan & Lonnie Koehl..... 3-__
- Audra & Daniel Deviney 4-92
- Lisa & Lee Roper..... 5-96
- Sheryl & Mark Millsap..... 8-82
- Jessica & Ryan Kilcrease..... 10-98
- Susan & Jerry Sonier 15-__
- Dayna & Bobby Leggett..... 22-71

New Meeting Day in 2006 - the 2nd Monday of Every Month



Bar-W Meetings are held every month

Where: GVTC Auditorium
36101 FM 3159 near Hwy 46
When: 2nd Monday @ 7:00 PM

3rd Annual Bar-W Christmas Party

December 5, 2005



Thank you
for
bringing Goodies!

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THANK YOU! THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!!

Thank you
for
donating \$\$\$\$!

Sonja Heldt-Harris, 1st-VP Programs



It has been my great pleasure this past year to bring some exciting speakers and programs to Bar-W. Without the help from officers, committee chairmen and members it would have been impossible to attain the success of the programs presented. Looking back to this incredibly busy year of 2005 the old saying, "Time flies when you are having fun" comes to mind. Working with so many different members I realize that "fun" is not always the primary reason for helping with a project but rather the inclination that inside each and every one of us there is a need to participate in something valid that we believe to be true. Like attending church on Easter or Christmas or even your father's 91st birthday party. There probably is a part in all of us that is looking for fun and fellowship but basically we join with other people who believe as we do. That possibly if we band as one we "can" make a difference. Besides the great speakers that came to enlighten us, we also saluted our Local Protectors who through their passion and dedication put their lives at risk for us. We "Roasted" our Sheriff and heard stories from community leaders who came to support our cause. We came together as a group by donating generously and delivering items to help the Hurricane Katrina evacuees. Sometimes a "thank you" seems so small in comparison to the amount of effort required but rest assured that I appreciate all who worked so diligently to help make a difference in our community. I am looking forward to working with the 2006 officers and committee chairmen and I ask that you continue to smile and together we can make a difference in the coming year.

Renita M. Rabozzi, PAC Treasurer



For the past three years, you all have made my job a delight. Every time I asked for money, you gave without hesitation. No matter what format, Boutique, Auction, Fund-raiser or just a flat donation, you all stepped up. Over these years, we have raised a lot of money to fund the Club and all of the wonderful community support efforts. The true spirit of the Republican Party shows in this Club. I am proud that I was able to serve as your Treasurer from Bar-W's inception in 2003 until now.

When I declined to run again, Tina White, bless her heart, took on this task. She is extremely talented and will do a wonderful job. I will assist her with the transition and ask that you make her job as easy as you've made mine. I'm not going anywhere and my store is still available for anyone needing to drop stuff off or pick things up.

Please accept my heartfelt thanks for all of the support each of you has shown me over these years. You cannot know how much it has meant.

Tina White, Legislative Chairman



As the outgoing Legislative Chairman I would like to thank Hazel Thomas and Hazel Roman for all their hard work in 2005. They have been such a great help in answering all the questions that have come up during the year and the help in writing the Bugle articles. We don't say thanks enough to these great women. I look forward to working with all the ladies in 2006.

Hazel Roman, Bugle Editor



A BIG THANK YOU to all the contributors who came through when told the deadline was always YESTERDAY! The variety of topics submitted and the different writing styles of our members, has made the Bugle a "great read" - you all made my job much easier. You are the Best!

Whew! What a ride. Three years as Bugle Editor. It has been a very enjoyable time for me. Okay, maybe not so enjoyable at 2:00AM when trying to meet a deadline. But all of you made it worthwhile!

Carlyn Townsend, Colette McDermott and Sonja Heldt-Harris will be Co-Editors of the Bugle for 2006. Thank you ladies for giving me a chance to retire.

Elaine Flaherty, Boutique Chairman



All you members and spouses who helped carry, set up and then sell Boutique items (and you know who you are), thanks so much! The club depends on money from the Boutique and without your help we would not have reached our goal. Getting up in the dark, setting up and then staying late, taking down the booth, charming people into buying and sometimes, becoming members was so helpful to the club! Beyond that, I couldn't have done it without you!

By the way, I got to know so many members...and we really are charming, aren't we? Go Bar-W!!!!



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