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of Wood County, Texas

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**A Speedy Turtle**

The Texas 89<sup>th</sup> Legislature is now in full swing down in Austin. If you are listening, you will certainly have heard that it is moving like molasses, and good bills are getting killed, and bad bills are getting passed. In reality, that is how the legislative process is designed. Let's take these one at a time.

The process is designed to move like molasses. There are two chambers, the House and the Senate with about 30 committees on each side. Bills may be filed between a date in December following the election up until a deadline of the 60<sup>th</sup> day of session, March 14 this session. Members must be assigned to committees which takes time to balance the workload. Senate committees are easy because of smaller numbers, only 16 new Senators. The House has 150 new members each session. This session, committee assignments were announced on February 23, the latest date in 45 years. Beginning February 24, filed bills started getting a first reading on the floor of the House and were then referred to committee. By March 14 there were just short of 6,300 bills filed, and 2,500 had been read and referred to committee. As of March 29, just over 4,200 bills have been read and referred.

Once referred to a committee, the bill must be scheduled for a public hearing in that committee. The committees only have time to meet nine to fifteen times during the session. There will be well over 100 bills in every committee with some reaching as high as 800. There isn't enough time especially where some bills get hours of public testimony. The bill must then be voted favorably out of committee and sent to Calendars to be scheduled for a floor debate and vote. Bills with the greatest likelihood of passing on the floor get priority. If passed on the floor of the House, the process must be repeated by the Senate. If successful in both places, the Governor must sign it.

Let's speak of GOOD bills vs. BAD bills. Good and bad are in the eye of the writer and proponent. In order to make its way through the above process, one must have a majority of the committee members think its not that bad, the Calendars Committee believe it has a high chance of passage, and 76 votes on the House floor and 16 on the Senate floor. In order for many people to believe it's not too bad, most of us will need to accept compromise. Here is where PERFECT becomes the ENEMY OF THE GOOD.

Right now, tax payer funds are used to lobby against tax payers, anyone from hostile countries can buy up Texas land, and no one can set up an education savings account. There are many more items and priorities to be dealt with as well. If there is no compromise, the status quo remains. If there is compromise, we get some portion of what we want with a chance to make it better in coming sessions. It is NOT all or nothing, it is something or nothing.

John van Compernelle – Precinct Chair Wood Co. 2-2

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# Clubs and Activities

## RWWC (Republican Women of Wood County a TFRW affiliate)

Meetings: Third Monday each month 11:30AM  
Mineola Civic Center 1150 N. Newsom St.  
Contacts: Diane Jones (817) 905-0631  
Website: [Republican Women of Wood County – A Political Action Committee](#)  
FaceBook: [Republican Women of Wood County](#)

April Program:  
Jill Tate  
TFRW VP

## Holly Lake-Hawkins Republican Club

Meetings: Second Monday each month 6:30PM  
Holly Tree Bible Church  
1620 FM 2869 Hawkins, TX 75765  
Contacts: Kim McGarity 1 (972) 834-7268  
Website: [Holly Lake Hawkins Republican Club](#)  
FaceBook: [Holly Lake Hawkins Republican Club FB](#)

April Program:  
Brett Rogers  
“The Goal is to Win”

## Lake Country Republican Club

Meetings: Fourth Tuesday each month 6PM  
Anconna Italian Restaurant  
1067A SH-37 South of Quitman  
Contacts: Melaney Munday (903) 975 0700  
FaceBook: [Lake Country Republican Club | Facebook](#)

April Program:  
Paul Hale  
SREC Update

## Lindale Republican Club

Meetings: First Thursday each month 6:PM  
Brisket Love 15338 FM 849, Lindale, Texas  
Contacts: Keith Lory (214) 938-9355  
FaceBook: [Lindale Republican Club FB](#)

April Program:  
Nancy White  
“Land Use Issues”

## Rains County Republican Assembly

Meetings: Third Tuesday each month 6PM  
House of Prayer 1382 FM 515 Emory, TX 75440  
Contacts: Angela Breikreutz (214) 478-3744  
Website: [Rains County Republican Assembly](#)  
FaceBook: [RCRA on FB](#)

April Program:  
UN’s New World Order  
Local Impact

## Grassroots America/We the People (GAWTP)

Meetings: Second Tuesday each month 5:15PM  
Holiday Inn, Conference Center  
5701 S. Broadway, Tyler Texas  
Contact:  
Website: [Grassroots America](#)  
FaceBook: [Grassroots America FB](#)

April Program:  
Jeremy D. Kitchen  
President, Texas Policy Research  
Texas DoGE?

## Texas Nationalist Movement

Meetings: First Tuesday each month 6PM  
Texas Music City Grill 5424 Old  
Jackson Hwy, Tyler Texas  
Contacts: [David Monson](#) (443) 252-1855  
Website: [Texas Nationalist Movement](#)  
Events: [TNM Events](#)  
FAQs: [Texit](#)

## Rains County CEC

Meets quarterly in 2025 Starting January  
House of Prayer 1382 FM 515  
Emory, TX 75440  
Contact: Lisa Kruger (972) 754-5327  
[Rainsrepublicanchair@gmail.com](mailto:Rainsrepublicanchair@gmail.com)



# What's Up - Happenings in Wood County and surrounding areas you may not want to miss!

[Alba](#)

[Alba FB](#)

Golden

[Hawkins](#)

[Hawkins FB](#)

[Mineola](#)

[Mineola FB](#)

Every Saturday - Farmers market 9am to 1pm 101 Front St.

Mini Train Rides - Iron Horse Square 200 Front St [See Schedule](#)

[Mineola Farmer's Market](#)

**Mineola Civic Center:**

[Quitman](#)

[Quitman FB](#)

City Pool open noon to 6pm. \$5 per person. 2024 season is over the pool is closed.

CR3100 East of town north of SH154. [Quitman City Pool](#)

[Quitman Farmers Market](#)

[Winnsboro](#)

[Winnsboro FB](#)

City Pool open noon to 6pm. \$5 per person. Closed Sundays.

[Winnsboro City Pool](#) Season over; pool is closed. [Winnsboro Farmers Market](#)

[Emory](#)

Overheard anonymous: *“Democrats, please calm down! Elon Musk can never be President... unless he finds the guy who made Barack Obama’s Birth Certificate.”*



# Election Watch:

Next Local Elections:

Date May 3, 2025 (Constitutional Amendments)

Next General Election:

Date: November 3, 2026

Registration:

Check your registration: [By Name and DoB](#)

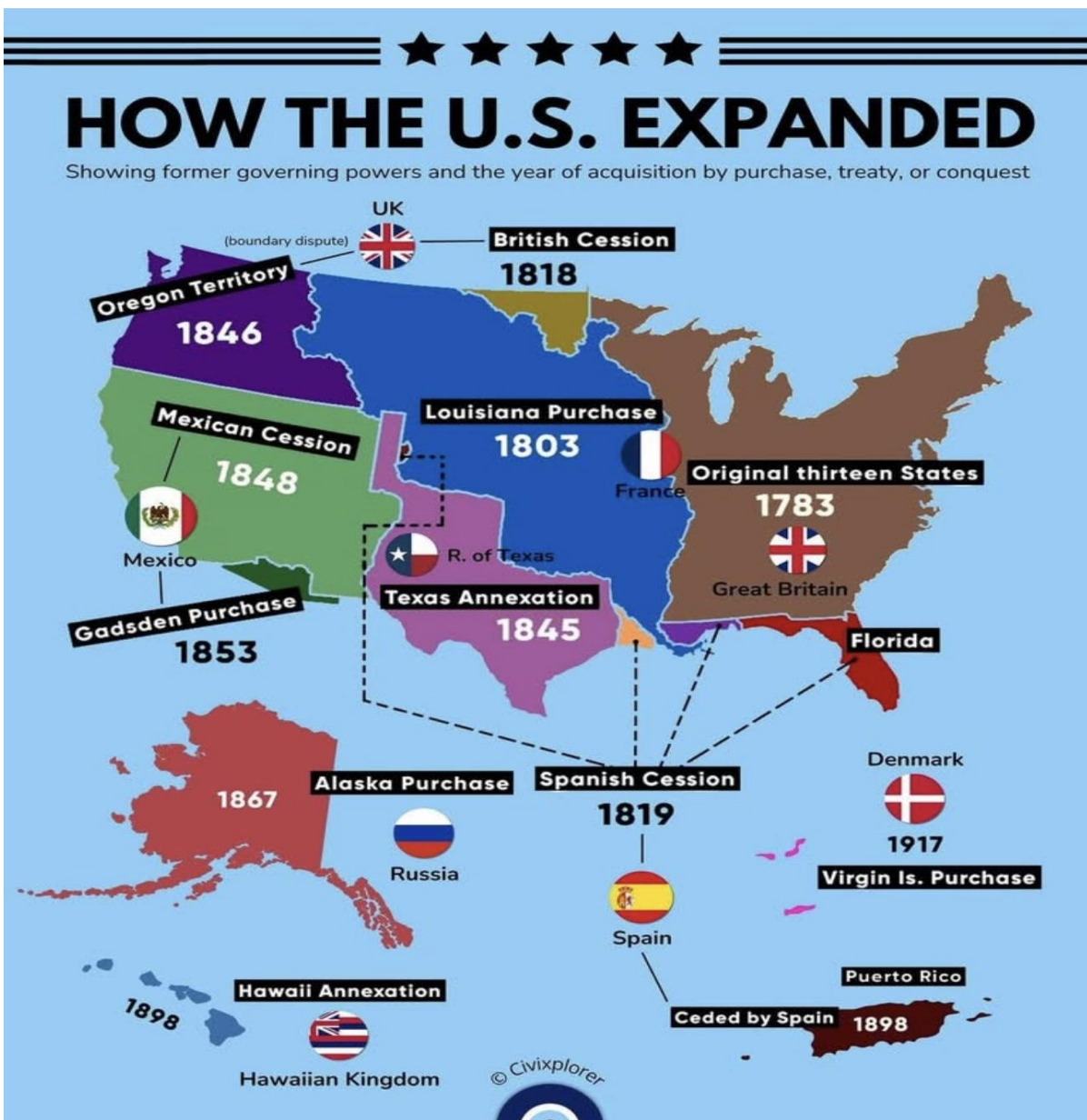
You can register online: <https://www.votetexas.gov/register-to-vote/index.html>

You can register At the Elections Administration Office:

WOOD COUNTY ANNEX BUILDING

200 W BERMUDA ST.

QUITMAN, TX 75783



# Wood County Government

<https://www.mywoodcounty.com/>



## Elected Offices:

County Sheriff : Kelly Cole [Information and Contact](#)

County Judge: Kevin White [Information and Contact](#)

County Commissioners [Information and Contact](#)

Precinct 1: Justin Bowring

Precinct 2: Jerry Gaskill

Precinct 3: Mike Simmons

Precinct 4: Russell Acker

District Attorney: Angela Albers [Information and Contact](#)

County Clerk: Kelley Price [Information](#)

County Treasurer: Daphne Carter [Information](#)

Tax Assessor Collector: Angie Luman [Information](#)

## Constables

Precinct 1: Robert Holland [Information](#)

Precinct 2: Bobby Tucker [Information](#)

Precinct 3: John McQueen [Information](#)

Precinct 4: Chase Glover [Information](#)

## Justice of the Peace

Precinct 1: Tony Gilbreath [Information](#)

Precinct 2: Janae Holland [Information](#)

Precinct 3: Jerry Parker [Information](#)

Precinct 4: Jody Hettich [Information](#)

## State of Texas, Representative Elected Offices

[Governor](#) ❖ Greg Abbott ❖ [Contact](#)

[Secretary of State](#) ❖ Jane Nelson ❖ [Contact](#)

[State Senator SD1](#) Bryan Hughes

[District Representative HD5](#) Cole Hefner

## United States, Representative Elective Offices

President: [Donald Trump](#)

Senators: Ted Cruz

[Senate Website](#)

John Cornyn

[Senate Website](#)

Fifth Congressional District Representative **Lance Gooden**

[Congressional Website](#)



# Raines County Government

<https://www.co.rains.tx.us/>



## Elected Offices:

County Sheriff : [Michael Hopkins](#)

County Judge: [Linda Wallace](#)

County [Commissioners Court](#)

Precinct 1: Jeremy Cook

Precinct 2: Mike Willis

Precinct 3: Korey Young

Precinct 4: Lori Northcutt

District Attorney: [Robert Vititow](#)

County Clerk: [Mandy Sawyer](#)

County Treasurer: [Teresa Northcutt](#)

Tax Assessor Collector: [Sheila Floyd](#)

Constable: [Allen Davis](#)

Justice of the Peace : [R Jenkins Franklin](#)

## State of Texas, Representative Elected Offices

[Governor](#) ❖ Greg Abbott ❖ [Contact](#)

[Secretary of State](#) ❖ Jane Nelson ❖ [Contact](#)

[State Senator SD8](#) Angela Paxton

[District Representative HD5](#) Cole Hefner

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John Cornyn

[Senate Website](#)

Fourth Congressional District Representative **Pat Fallon**

[Congressional Website](#)





# Conservative Commentators:

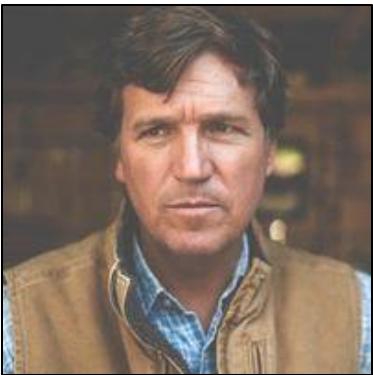
On these 2 pages you will find the luminaries of conservative thought. Some of the Sentinel's favorite commentators are more than just political animals; they cover social and cultural issues as well. You may be familiar with most of them, but you might also find a new favorite. Here we provide you with links to their many articles and video clips from Youtube, Facebook and numerous other platforms. Remember, in Facebook, check out the "Reels." Radio call-outs on cards are local.



**Dennis Prager**  
Salem Radio  
660AM  
Noon to 2pm  
[Dennis on Youtube](#)  
[Prager U](#)  
[Podcasts](#)  
[Facebook](#)



**Mark Levin**  
Author  
Radio Host  
820AM 5-8pm  
[Podcasts](#)  
[Youtube](#)  
[Facebook](#)



**Tucker Carlson**  
Author  
Commentator  
Podcaster  
[Facebook](#)  
[Youtube](#)  
[Podcast](#)



**Charlie Kirk**  
Salem Radio  
660AM  
2pm to 4pm  
[Youtube](#)  
[Facebook](#)  
[Turning Point USA](#)



**JoAnn Fleming**  
Executive Director:  
Grassroots  
America/We the  
People (Gawtp)  
[Youtube](#)  
[Grassroots America](#)  
[Grassroots Priorities](#)



**Dan Bongino**  
Author ,  
sometimes Radio  
host, Commentator  
[Youtube](#)  
[Facebook](#)



**Brigitte Gabriel**  
Author,  
Commentator  
[Act for America](#)  
[Youtube](#)  
[Facebook](#)



**Dinesh D'Souza**  
Film Maker,  
Author  
[Youtube](#)  
[Facebook](#)



## Conservative Commentators continued:



Ben Shapiro  
Radio Host  
570AM  
2-4pm

[Youtube](#)  
[Daily Wire](#)  
[Facebook](#)



Jordan Peterson  
Canadian  
Psychologist,  
Motivational  
Speaker

[Youtube](#)  
[Facebook](#)



KrisAnne Hall  
Author, Speaker

[Youtube](#)  
[Website](#)  
[Facebook](#)



Thomas Sowell  
American  
Economist  
Author

[Youtube](#)  
[Website](#)



Luke Macias  
Author,  
Political  
Consultant

[Youtube](#)  
[Facebook](#)



Candace Owens  
Commentator,  
Author

[Youtube](#)  
[Facebook](#)



Glenn Beck  
Author  
Radio Host  
600AM 8 to 11am

[Youtube](#)  
[The Blaze](#)  
[Facebook](#)



Sean Hannity  
Radio Host  
600AM

[Website](#)  
[Youtube](#)  
[Facebook](#)



## Conservative Publications and Branded Content:

On this page you will find links to branded conservative content delivered in various media formats. You will find written articles, video clips, YouTube, Facebook and other links. Most are identified with a known conservative activist and a short bio is provided for each.

### [The Epoch Times](#) (since 2003)

Is a large weekly paper and ink publication and a product of John Tang and other Chinese Americans associated with Falun Gong, a thorn in the side of the CCP (Chinese Communist Party). A subscription to Epoch Times will also get content sent to your email. Click the link to sample recent articles.

### [Prager U](#) (since 2009)

Founded by radio talk show host and author, Dennis Prager, Prager U provides 5 minute educational video clips on a variety of issues from guest presenters familiar with the topic. The audience is both youthful and international. To get started, click the link.



### [The Blaze](#) (since 2012)

The Blaze has had several iterations since its founding by talk show host and author, Glen Beck. Today it is a multimedia platform with print, radio, subscription TV and more. Check out the Blaze by clicking the link.



### [Townhall](#) (since 1995)

A product of heritage Foundation and one of the first conservative internet communities, Townhall was acquired by Salem Communications in 2006. Edited by Katie Pavlich, Townhall is a multimedia platform featuring videos, articles and even cartoons. Yes, conservatives have a sense of humor. Check out the link.



### [Texas Scorecard](#) (Since 2020)

A print and online publication published by Michael Quinn Sullivan, formerly CEO of Empower Texans. Texas Scorecard ranks, endorses and advocates for conservative Republicans. You'll find video from full length documentaries to short spoofs which will educate and entertain. Just a click away.



### [The Torch](#)

A publication from the [Texas Eagle Forum](#), you can subscribe for a fee but the archives are free. Just click the link and scroll down the page.

### [Imprimis](#) (Since 1972)

You've most likely heard of this publication from Hillsdale College. It's delivered free to your mailbox, but you need to subscribe. Just click the link and fill out a short form.

### [The Daily Signal](#) (Since 2014)

A publication from Heritage Foundation, you can subscribe for free and content will be delivered to your email or you can view it at your leisure by clicking the link.



## Conservative Organizations:

[PragerU](#) - The brain child of talk-show host Dennis Prager, PragerU consists of video clips (about 5 minutes each) on various topics. If you give PragerU five minutes, it will give you an education.

[Act for America](#) - Founded by Lebanese born Christian, Brigitte Gabriel, on the ashes of 9-11, Act's main focus is national security and the threat of radical Islam.

[Grassroots America](#) - Is Texas based and local, meeting monthly in Tyler, Texas. (see [calendar](#) and [organizations](#) ) Founded by Constitutional Conservative JoAnn Fleming, their mission statement is to, "Advance the cause of liberty." Well worth the drive.

[Texas Nationalist Movement](#) - Founded by Daniel Miller, TNM is a secessionist movement taking authority from the Texas State Constitution Article 1 sec 1 & 2. Interested? The local chapter meets in Lindale. (see [calendar](#) and [organizations](#) )

[ACLJ](#) - American Center for Law and Justice - Founded by evangelical minister, Pat Robertson and led by Chief Council Jay Sekulow, ACLJ's mission it to protect religious liberty as provided for by the First Amendment.

[Alliance Defending Freedom](#) - is a legal advocacy group seeking to promote religious liberty in the public domain.

[Texas Eagle Forum](#) - is a decidedly Texas spin-off from Phyllis Schlafly's original Eagle Forum. The focus is on inside Texas politics from candidates to convention. You will find numerous "Hot Topics" relating to concerns in the lone star state.

[Homeschool Legal Defense Association](#) - More than just legal support, HSLDA will help get you started on your homeschooling journey with numerous resources found on their website. If you do get pushback from your local or State government, HSLDA will hook you up with a local attorney experienced in this field and may even help with fees.

[Judicial Watch](#) - shedding light on corruption and malfeasance since 1994. Headed by Tom Fitton since 2003, Judicial Watch covers the issues we all care about.

[The Heritage Foundation](#) - more than just a place to get inexpensive pocket Constitutions in bulk, the Heritage Foundation is a think tank developing policies and strategies to advance conservative ideals.

[Freedomworks](#) - a national grassroots activist organization. Interested in getting involved? Check out the link.

[Daily Wire](#) - a multimedia outlet from Ben Shapiro known for their Facebook content. You will find many favorites from Jordan Peterson to Dennis Prager on this site. Content includes videos, podcasts, articles and more.

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## Conservative Organizations continued:

[Condemned USA](#) - a January 6 advocacy group founded by Treniss Evans. On this website read Treniss's story, view the extensive video footage from January 6, get involved. What happens to J6ers going forward is our future, yours and mine. Be the author or the victim.

[True Texas Project](#) - a Constitutionally grounded conservative Christian advocacy group. Best characterized by this statement from their own hand-out: "I am **A TRUE TEXAN**. I am A LEGENDARY BREED. I am PART OF A MOVEMENT. I BELIEVE IN FREEDOM AT ALL **COSTS**. I am AN ACTIVIST, NOT AN OBSERVER. I am **UNSTOPPABLE**. **COME AND TAKE IT.**" I think this sums it up. If you wish to get active and not sit on the sidelines, click the link.

[True the Vote](#) - a cause near and dear to the Sentinel's heart, TTV is a voting integrity advocacy group active across the state. Not only advocating for hand-marked, pre-printed, serialized paper ballots, but also involved in educating citizens about pernicious software. Join their podcasts [here](#).

[Turning Point](#) - Focused on youth and taking back America's campuses. There are chapters across the country. If you have children or grandchildren going off to college, this is the best way to protect your investment from assaults from the left.

[Cpac](#) - Certainly one of the oldest conservative groups. We have all watched a Cpac convention to see our favorite candidates speak. If a monthly newsletter is not enough, sign up for CPAC's email alerts [here](#).

[Convention of States Action](#) – The largest grassroots activist organization in the country, if not the world. The group promotes to state legislatures in all 50 states to call for a Convention for proposing amendments under Article V of the US Constitution in order to limit the power, money and terms of the federal government. This activist army also gets involved in many other conservative causes around the country.

FYI - [Post Texas State Republican Convention 2024](#), 46 Republican House members signed a letter committed to supporting for Speaker, only candidates who pledge to not appoint Democrats to committee chairmanships. What's missing? Cole Heffner's signature!

Donald Trump, 45<sup>th</sup> President of the United States, advocates "No Tax on Tips." Many patrons of restaurants, and other establishments where tipping is common, are noting this on their bill in an attempt to educate those who work in the service industry. Texas US Senator, Ted Cruz, has already introduced the legislation. Could this be the tipping point? DJT also advocates for no tax on OT! Could be the next big thing.

If you wish to personally get into the details of Texas politics, the following links may be just the ticket:

[RPT Platform](#)

[Legislative Priorities](#)

[Contract with Texas](#)



# Conservative Contrasts:

[Rules for Radicals by Saul Alinsky PDF](#) — As good conservatives, we must know our enemy and his tactics. This is the long version (pop some corn). Favored by both Hilary Clinton and Barak Obama, this is the playbook of the left. Why the rules of civil society do not apply to them. [In a Nut Shell](#) The Sentinel uses the term “nut” advisedly here.

[Rules for Deplorables](#) - A primer for fighting radical socialism How President Trump, and a well read conservative, turn the rules on the left.

[The Communist Manifesto](#) - The Sentinel wonders how much profit has been generated selling this book. Ironic? Conservatives don't have a manifesto - its not what we are about. What we have are PRINCIPLES. Principles as detailed in several books and documents.

[The Law](#) – Written in 1850 by Frederic Bastiat in response to the European Marxist movement. His focus, like the American founding, is on the preservation of God-given rights of Life, Liberty and Property. If you have any misunderstanding of individual liberty as given through God's Grace, this will clear it up for you. And you will understand that the only role of “Government” is to resolve conflict between individuals when these three are contested.

CLAIM: NAZI WAS RIGHT-WING			
Researched and factually correct comparison between the Democrats, Republicans and NAZI. Please, explain how can NAZI be Right-wing when this chart says otherwise.			
High taxes	✓	=	✓
Pro Abortion	✓	=	✓
Gun Control	✓	=	✓
Gov Controlled Health Care	✓	=	✓
Gov Controlled Education	✓	=	✓
Censored Speech	✓	=	✓
Individual Rights	✗	=	✗
Pro Military	✗	=	✓
Nationalist	✗	=	✓
Nationalising industries	✓	=	✓
Guarantee Income	✓	=	✓
Removal of Religion from Government	✓	=	✓



## Conservative Classics:

**Milton Friedman:** American Economist 7/31/1912 – 11/16/2006 Chicago School of Economics UC. Author and star of “Free to Choose.”

[Free to Choose TV Series](#)

[Milton Friedman on Youtube](#)

**Rush Limbaugh:** American author and Talk Show host in the ‘80’s and 90’s. Founder of the Excellence in Broadcasting (EIB) Network.

[Rush Limbaugh Youtube Archives](#)

**Ronald Reagan:** 40th President of the United States. Ushered in the Conservative movement delivering the Speech for Barry Goldwater.

[The Speech - A Time for Choosing](#)

[Ronald Reagan Speeches archived on Youtube](#)

**William F. Buckley:** Host of PBS series “Firing Line” for 33 years. Founder and Editor in Chief of the National Review magazine. Instrumental in founding Young Americans for Freedom (YAF).

[William F. Buckley Youtube Archives](#)

[National Review](#)

[Young Americans for Freedom](#)

# DIVERSITY



# IS NOT

# STRENGTH



# Sentinel Library

The Sentinel editorial staff may not agree with every point made in the following literary works. However, for conservatives, true diversity is expressed as diversity of thought, not that of gender identity, race or color. What we do agree on is that you will find true wisdom in the works of these varied authors.

## Recommended Books:

### **Geneva Bible** Recorded by numerous authors

The unerring word of God, you will not find significant textual differences in this and the Bible you may take to church. However, the notes in the margins were the reason for persecution of Christians leading up to the colonization of the Western world. Simple possession of a Geneva Bible was a capital offence. The notes record the scriptural imperative of liberty or “free will” as the Bible refers to it. This is the Bible the Pilgrims brought to our shores. You will find an education in it. Rare and difficult to find, however the [Kindle Version](#) with the marginal notes is readily available and inexpensive. Expensive hard copy [\\$\\$\\$](#)

**The Declaration of Independence** a statement of principle. [Available Online](#)

### **The Wealth of Nations** *Adam Smith*

Foundational work on the Capitalist economic system. [Available Online](#)

**The U.S. Constitution.** [Full Text + Amendments PDF](#)  
[Purchase a Pocket Constitution](#) or [On Your iPhone/iPad](#)

### **The Federalist** (Federalist Papers) Several of the Founders

Edited by Robert Scigliano

Articles written by Hamilton, Jay, and Madison, printed by local papers of the day and arguing for the ratification of the US Constitution.

[Available Online](#) or [On Your iPhone/iPad](#)

### **Free to Choose** *Milton Friedman*

Modern Capitalist economist explains how the Capitalist system benefits all who participate in it. [Available Online](#)

### **Wild Swans** *Jung Chang*

Without judgment, Wild Swans (a true story) catalogs the horrors which befell three generations of women starting with the ouster of General Chiang Kai-shek from mainland China - the cultural revolution - and “modern” China. It is a cautionary tale and a must read. Even in the Braille edition one can not help but see parallels to headlines in US newspapers today. [Available Online](#)

### **Signing Their Lives Away** *Denise Kiernan & Joseph D’Agnese*

The story of the men who signed the Declaration of Independence, what they risked and how it turned out for them. [Available Online](#)

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## Sentinel Library - continued:

### **10 Books Every Conservative Must Read: Plus Four Not to Miss and One Impostor** *Benjamin Wiker*

Just read this one, and you will then know the next 15 on our list. [Available Online](#)

### The Road to Serfdom *Friedrich A. Hayek*

Originally printed in 1944, Hayek deftly exposes the lie of socialism in this literary classic. [Available Online](#)

### The Gulag Archipelago Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn

An educational but disturbing account of political oppression and human rights violations in the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Could not fit it into one book - a three volume set. [Available Online](#)

### Liberal Fascism *Jonah Goldberg*

The fraud of the compassionate leftist is revealed in this enlightened expose'. Very educational.

[Available Online](#)

### Liberty and Tyranny *Mark Levin*

Released shortly after Obama moved into the White House, Liberty and Tyranny was a wake-up call to conservatives for the fight ahead. [Available Online](#)

### The Law *Frederic Bastiat*

The clearest and most logically founded explanation of the proper role of the law (government) in society. [Available Online](#)

### The Doctrine of the Lesser Magistrates *Matthew J. Trehella*

"A proper resistance to tyranny and a repudiation of unlimited obedience to civil government." [Available Online](#)

### Democracy In America *Alexis De Tocqueville*

The definitive dissertation on the U.S. form government by observation written shortly after its founding. [Available Online](#)

### The 5000 Year Leap *W. Cleon Skousen*

The twenty-eight principles that are changing the world. [Available Online](#)

### The Adams-Jefferson Letters *John Adams & Thomas Jefferson*

A compilation. Interestingly enough, both men died on July 4, 1826, our nation's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, just hours apart. [Available Online](#)

### My Dearest Friend *Abigail and John Adams*

A personal peek into America's beginnings. [Available Online](#)



# Navigating the Sentinel:

It is the mission of the Sentinel to be a single, reliable resource for all things conservative in Wood County and the surrounding area.

## Links:

Links are used extensively in the Sentinel to access content, both within the Sentinel and on other platforms. Notice on page 1, to the left, are a number of links to internal content. You will find other links throughout the Sentinel. Just click on the link to find your desired content.

## Conservative Content:

In the Sentinel, you will find content from conservative voices past and present, local and even international. These consist of articles, images and videos from various platforms. To access this content look for light gray text which is underlined. These are *links* which will take you to the desired content. Simply click on the link. The desired content should appear. Occasionally, content is taken down by the provider for any one of a number of reasons. The Sentinel has no control over this, however if you wish, notify us of the problematic link [here](#) and we will see if we can find a replacement.

## Events:

On page 1, select the link “Wood County Calendar” or “What’s Up in Wood County” for a more detailed description of local happenings.

## Groups, Organizations and Clubs:

Links to clubs are local to Wood County. It is a good way to get involved. Additionally, you will find links to various groups and organizations in the Sentinel which may be national or even international. You may view their content, engage with them on line or attend events which they have publicized.

## Government:

On page 1, linking to “Wood County Government” or “Rains County Government,” you will find links to various local government agencies and departments. Additionally, you will find links to your State and National representatives and offices which we vote on locally. Also there are pages for Schools (ISDs) and Cities which we hope will encourage involvement in local government.

## Voting and Election information:

We regret to inform you, but the local press are notorious for printing wrong information regarding election times and polling locations. Please look to the Sentinel to find current updates on polling locations and voting hours. There is even a link where you can check to be sure your registration is current. The registration deadline is also provided. If you really want to get involved, consider working at a polling location. Email us your contact information [here](#), let us know you are interested in working and we will contact you shortly.



# SCHOOL WEBSITES

## [Alba Golden ISD](#)

School Board Website: [AGISD School Board](#)  
School Board Meeting page: [AGISD SB Meetings](#)  
School Board Elections: [AGISD Election Information](#)

## [Harmony ISD](#)

School Board Website: [HISD Board of Directors](#)  
School Board Meeting page: [HISD Board Meetings](#)

## [Hawkins ISD](#)

Board of Trustees Website: [HISD Board of Trustees](#)  
Board of Trustees Meeting page: [HISD Board of Trustees Meetings](#)  
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## [Mineola ISD](#)

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School Board Election Information: [MISD Election Information](#)

## [Pittsburg ISD](#)

## [Quitman ISD](#)

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School Board Election Information: [QISD Election Information](#)

## [Winnsboro ISD](#)

School Board Website: [WISD School Board](#)  
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School Board Elections: [WISD Election Information](#)

## [Yantis ISD](#)

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Overheard anonymous: *“Just imagine how the Deep State would be treating us if we didn’t have the Second Amendment!”*



# City Governments:

## CITY WEBSITES

(Outside of cities call: [Wood County Sheriff](#))

### [City of Alba](#)

[Alba PD](#)

### [City of Hawkins](#)

[Hawkins PD](#)

Hawkins City Council Third Monday 6-9PM

### [City of Mineola](#)

[Mineola PD](#)

Mineola City Council Fourth Monday 5:30PM

### [City of Winnsboro](#)

[Winnsboro PD & Fire](#)

[Winnsboro City Council](#) Second Tuesday 5:30PM

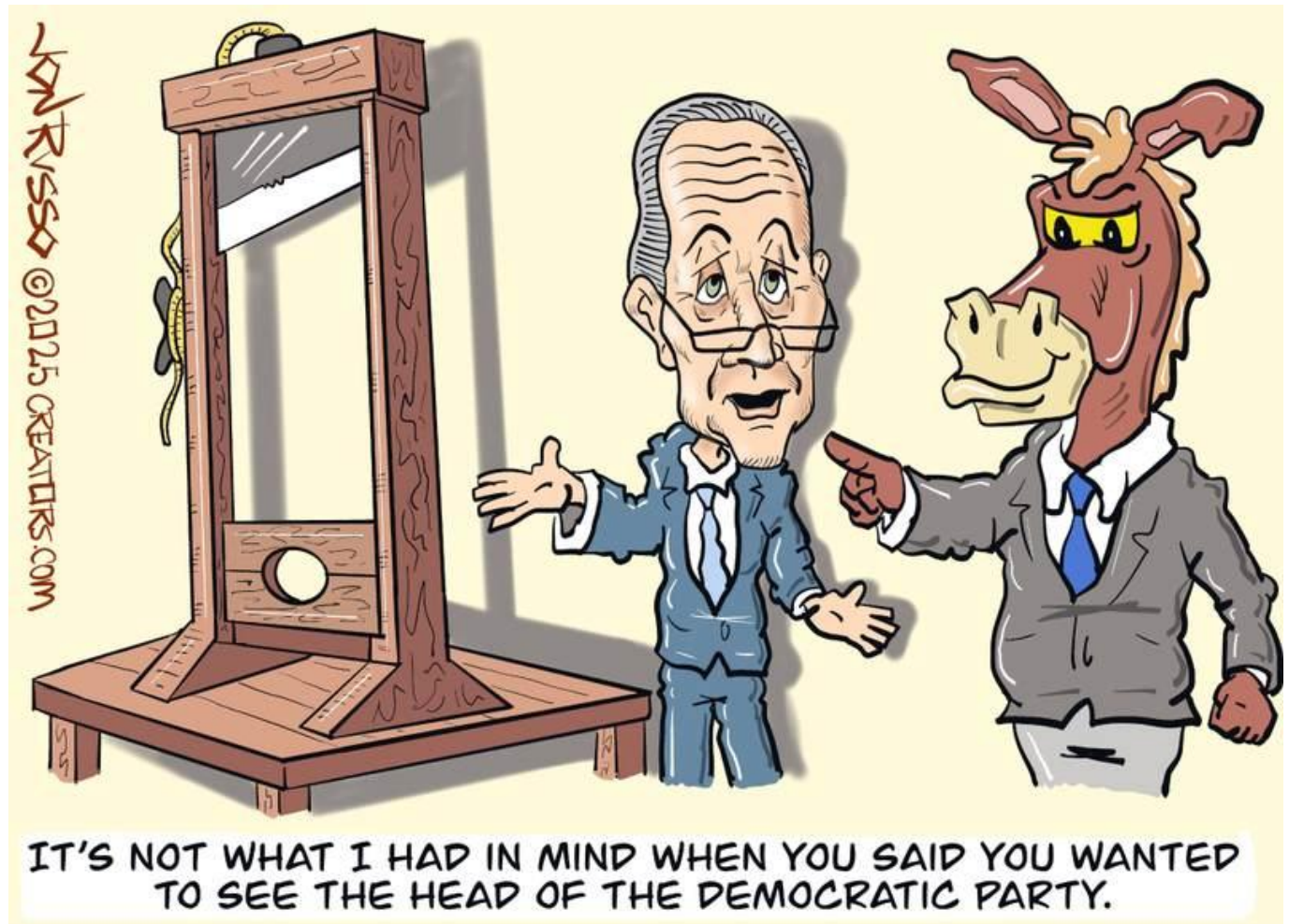
### [City of Quitman](#)

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Contact Wood County Sheriff's Office



## Power to the People

In the democratic republic known as these United States, the political power of the people is largely expressed at the ballot box. Never is your vote more powerful than during a Primary Election. Let me explain.

When turnout is low in an election, those who *do* vote are more influential than those voting in a high turnout election. It's simple math. If 1,000 voters turn out, each voter is responsible for one tenth of one percent of the vote. If only 100 voters turn out, each voter is responsible for one full percent. That's ten times greater! If your monthly income were to increase tenfold, you would notice. The truth is, Primary elections notoriously experience a low turnout.

Why is that? There are two main reasons. First the date of a Primary Election is somewhat fluid. General Elections are always held the Tuesday after the first Monday in November of even numbered years. It's easy to calculate and 100% predictable. Whereas Primary Elections are usually held within 6 to 9 months before the General election with the Iowa Caucus and the New Hampshire Primary traditionally going first. That's right, unlike the General Election, the Primaries are held in different states on different days, giving candidates more time to campaign in each state. The order in which Primaries are held in each state varies after that somewhat whimsically. There have even been cases where the Democrat and Republican Primaries within a state have been held on different days! Goodness, no wonder they are confusing and result in lower turnout.

The second reason is the mistaken impression that the Primary is not the "real election." After all, "the President is elected in the General Election." However, it is in the Primary where that Presidential candidate is chosen. If you wait for the General, there is no real choice. You would choose AOC over *which* Republican Candidate? Personally, I'd write in my cat before I'd vote for a Democrat. Their political philosophy is antithetical to everything the Founders stood for. Their every policy has been corrosive to the Liberty guaranteed by our Constitution.

In the Primary, you have a real choice from among the best Republican candidates. And, because of the chronic low turnout in Primary Elections, this is when your vote will be most impactful. Of course, the trick is to know when and where the Primary Election is held. Look for the signs. Campaigns will be heating up. You will find the debates and best commentary right here. And for the latest, most accurate election information, always check your Sentinel.

Terrell AronSpeer, Pct 4-4 Chair

Comment Found Floating around Social Media this Month:

*"I want AI to do my laundry and dishes so I can do art and writing, not for AI to do art and writing so I can do my laundry and dishes."*

