



**2010 OFFICERS**

**County Chairman**  
Don Cook  
**County Vice Chairman**  
Bill Giesenschlag  
**County Secretary**  
Caressa Inman  
**County Treasurer**  
Tom Polansky

**2010 PRECINCT  
CHAIRPERSON/JUDGE**

**Precinct 113: Deenville**  
**Chair:** Wayne Edwards  
**Judge:** Wayne Edwards  
**Precinct 114: Caldwell**  
**Chair:** Bernadette Polansky  
**Judge:** Bernadette Polansky  
**Precinct 202: Caldwell**  
**Chair:** Vacant  
**Judge:** Vacant  
**Precinct 203: Cooks Point**  
**Chair:** Nathan Cook  
**Judge:** Priscilla Cook  
**Precinct 204: New Tabor**  
**Chair:** Stuart Law  
**Judge:** Stuart Law  
**Precinct 207: Tunis**  
**Chair:** Margaret Haisler  
**Judge:** Margaret Haisler  
**Precinct 211: Snook**  
**Chair:** Bill Giesenschlag  
**Judge:** Bill Giesenschlag  
**Precinct 215: Beaver Creek**  
**Chair:** Guy Martenson  
**Judge:** Vicki Busby  
**Precinct 301: Courthouse**  
**Chair:** Mark Boldger  
**Judge:** Jackie Bray  
**Precinct 305: Blackjack**  
**Chair:** Diane Heckman  
**Judge:** Jim Heckman  
**Precinct 308: Hix**  
**Chair:** Freida Martin  
**Judge:** Patsy Stratton  
**Precinct 309: Chriesman**  
**Chair:** Caressa Inman  
**Judge:** Sam Johnson  
**Precinct 406: Somerville**  
**Chair:** Penny Lewis  
**Judge:** Sylvia Murray  
**Precinct 410: Lyons**  
**Chair:** Martha West  
**Judge:** Martha West  
**Precinct 412: Clay**  
**Chair:** Vacant  
**Judge:** Vacant

**2010 Republican Party State Convention**

*by Robert Squyres*



The 2010 Republican Party of Texas (RPT) State Convention was held at the Dallas Convention Center on Friday and Saturday, June 11 and 12, party delegates elected Houston attorney Steve Munisteri as party chairman. Delegates also elected Melinda Fredericks of Conroe as vice chairwoman. Fredericks was appointed as commissioner of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission by Governor Rick Perry.

The chairmanship and vice chairmanship positions are for two years with an eight-year term limit. In assuming the party chairmanship

by a vote of 4,294 votes to 2,950, Munisteri replaces Cathie Adams, often referred to in the press as a "firebrand." Adams had served in the position for just one year, having been elected in 2009 to serve out the remainder of the term of Tina Benkiser, who left the post to work on Governor Perry's campaign.

Prior to becoming GOP chairwoman, Adams headed the Texas Eagle Forum. An AP report noted, "Munisteri had focused his campaign on the party's \$500,000 debt, saying Republicans should be in better financial shape since they control both houses of the Legislature and all statewide offices."

For the first time in several years the Burleson County Republican Party had a full number of Delegates and Alternates throughout the convention. The delegation was led by County Vice Chairman Bill Giesenschlag and Delegation Chairman Sam Johnson. Bill Giesenschlag also was elected Senatorial District 5 Caucus Chairman.

Also Jean Kilgore of Burleson County was elected as the representative to the State Executive Committee for Senatorial District 5 along with Hal Talton of Round Rock.

**Tea Party**

*by Robert Squyres*

The 2010 Republican Party of Texas platform incorporated some Tea Party positions. The new platform includes a plank that calls for the adoption of an Arizona-style law that would require local police to check legal residency when making arrests.

Gov. Rick Perry railed against the "shameful excesses" of Washington in his opening address. U.S. Rep. Michele Bachmann of Minnesota, a keynote speaker, praised a limited government that acts within its "jurisdictional boundaries" and excoriated the "unlimited credit card people" that make up the "cabal" of the nation's Democratic leadership. And Attorney General Greg Abbott's constant assurances that he was defending the state's rights against the overreach of the federal government were characteristic of all the statewide officials' nods

toward the Constitution and states' rights. Does all this rhetoric mean the Tea Party's growing influence within the state GOP has initiated a shift in focus from social to fiscal issues?

It's easy to read the ascendancy of Steve Munisteri as party chairman as a token of that movement. Munisteri campaigned on his business bona fides and the contemptible state of the party's finances. Cathie Adams, a former leader of the Eagle Forum and Perry favorite who came of age politically prior to the Tea Party's insurgency, is known for her ferocious social conservatism, not her fiscal know-how.

For local Tea party information or to join the local Tea Party go to the Burleson County Tea Party web site at:

<http://texasteparty.webs.com/>

# Chairman's Corner

By Don Cook

We have a new Editor, Robert Squyres. I hope you will enjoy this paper.

This is the year that we must elect individuals who believe in our Values and Principles and vote that way. Keith Schroeder is pursuing the office of County Commission Pct 2 (If your pct starts with a 2, then he WILL be your commissioner).

If you could display some signs in your yard or on your fence line, Keith would certainly appreciate that. In addition if you could support him with a small donation, that would help greatly.

For more information about Keith go to [www.burlesongop.org](http://www.burlesongop.org) and click on "Candidates".

Let's register new voters before Oct 2 and insure that they will vote in November.

We will post this newsletter on our web site in color. If you have a computer and would be willing to download and print the paper please let Robert know. We can save a lot of money by having as many as possible download. We will continue to mail a B&W copy to those that do not request receiving it online.

Thanks; Don Cook

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# Party News

By Robert Squyres

President Obama's EPA has decided to mess with Texas, and they may be doing it on Bill White's behalf. News broke on Wednesday that the EPA is rejecting Texas' flexible permit system, a system that been in place for 16 years, has enjoyed bipartisan support, and has actually worked to reduce NOX emissions in Texas better than the EPA's own programs work in other states. Gov. Perry, Lt. Gov. Dewhurst, Attorney General Abbott, and indeed all of the Republican leadership in Texas are outraged by the EPA's actions.

As usual, there's more to the story. The Democrats' nominee for governor, Bill White, is right in the middle of the EPA's extreme and unnecessary move. According to an editorial by the Houston Chronicle, White met with EPA regional director Al Armendariz last fall, and that meeting apparently spurred the EPA's drive to attack Texas.

Did the Democrat who wants to be Texas' governor collude with the Obama EPA to hit Texas hard, putting Texas families and businesses at risk in the process, so he can play politics and blame it all on Gov. Rick Perry? Whatever one wants to call that, it certainly isn't putting Texans first. Bill White needs to answer for this assault on our state.

We have a candidate running against Chet Edwards the democratic incumbent for Congressional District 17. That candidate is Bill Flores. Bill is a local business man who has pledged to fight for the following:

- **Cut Federal Spending and Balance the Budget.**
- **Focus on growing the economy.**
- **Repeal and Replace Obama Care**
- **Implement Term Limits**
- **Expand AMERICAN Energy Production**
- **Secure Our Borders and Defend Our Homeland**

Go to [www.billfloresforcongress.com](http://www.billfloresforcongress.com) for more info.

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