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Meet our April 2015 Speaker

Glenn Hegar

Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

Elected in November 2014, Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar is a vigilant steward of Texas tax dollars and a strong advocate for job growth in our economy. As a staunch supporter of government transparency, Hegar believes all levels of government should be open and accountable to those who pay the bills — Texas taxpayers.

Hegar serves as Texas' treasurer, check writer, tax collector, procurement officer and revenue estimator. He has a proven track record of fighting for conservative principles and ensuring taxpayer voices are heard in Texas state government.

In the Texas Senate, Hegar oversaw all state and local revenue matters, during the 83rd legislative session, and he was instrumental in cutting \$1 billion in taxes for Texas taxpayers and businesses. As a business owner, Comptroller Hegar knows first hand that individuals, not government, will make better decisions with their hard-earned tax dollars and in turn help boost the economy.

Hegar also served as chair of the Sunset Advisory Commission, working to eliminate inefficiency in government agencies. In that role, he abolished six state agencies, saving the state taxpayers over \$160 million dollars in the process. As a former member of the Texas House of Representatives and the Texas Senate, Hegar worked on a wide-range of common sense solutions that impact everyday citizens, such as public education, transportation, tax cuts, property tax reforms, water and tort reform.

Before his Senate tenure, Hegar attended Texas A&M as an undergraduate, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts. He then attended St. Mary's University, earning a Master of Arts and his law degree. At the University of Arkansas, he earned his Master of Laws.

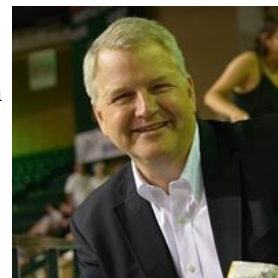
Hegar is a sixth generation Texan, who grew up farming land that has been in his family since the mid-1800s. His upbringing taught him the core values of character, honesty, integrity and hard work. These are the same values that Glenn and his wife, Dara, work to instill in their three young children: Julia, Jonah and Claire.



***Mark your Calendars:
Annual Golf GOP Scramble—October 6th, 2015***

Happy Easter

James Dickey started by saying that LTRC is his favorite club. He told us that with the new redistricting boundaries it will be easier to take back the seat that Glenn Bass lost in the last election. He mentioned that it is very important to build a foundation and establish relations over the next years. He said that Democrats are furious that we got 3 seats in the City Council. It is not a majority but lets not forget that they are the first Republicans to be elected for City Council in 40 years, and it will change the conversation. For example, the Electric Co run by City of Austin is the only choice for many people, the City Council had decided to renovate its headquarters and they were considering a \$57 million expenditure for the relocation. But now the conversation may change and questions such as Will \$57 million be enough? Are we getting all the things we want? Or better, Why build a new headquarters?



On County taxes he said that the School Board counts for most of the taxes.

Then he went on to talk about how easy is it to make an outside impact in politics. The key points? Get informed, and get involved.

Get informed on entities, the candidates for those entities and issues. Go on the internet. Now days all the bills are on line (www.legis.state.tx.us/billlookup or www.texastribune.org/session/83R/bills/). Subscribe to newsletters on line (travisgop.com/ [www.texaspolicy.com /](http://www.texaspolicy.com/) www.texasrighttolife.com). Another good way to get informed is to attend Republican Clubs meetings (Lake Travis RC, Republican Club of Texas, or go to tfrw.org and travisgop.com for more information). Your precinct chair should also be a source of information.

Get involved by donating to organizations and candidates. VOTE, exercise your right to vote. He said that around 5% of registered voters will vote in May. Encourage someone you know who you would like to see in office. Get involved by participating in your precinct convention after you vote in a primary election. Then go on to Senate District convention, State convention and if possible to the National convention. VOLUNTEER to walk, on phone banks and to staff elections. Inform your friends about issues –many people do not take the time to learn about candidates and/or issues.

He ended his speech by saying that we really need strong conservative freedom loving neighbors. RUN for office. We have people to support you, Travis Co. Republican Party will support you. If you do not feel running for office is for you, then recruit someone. You can make a difference.

From the Q&A: To reach to Spanish voters the Travis Co RP is in the final steps to have a dedicated committee for outreach. They already have an African-American person. Give feedback to elected officials. They want to hear from us. He said that he had been approached to give his opinion on Education funding. On judge races he said that in the near future local judge races will be almost impossible to win –they will get around 38% of the votes.

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