

Galveston Island Democrats
Monthly Membership Meeting Minutes
ILA Local 20 Union Hall
[6501 Harborside Dr, Galveston, TX 77554-2825](https://www.galvisledems.com/)
Tuesday, September 30, 2025

Pre-meeting activity: Membership created postcards to congress and postcards as voting reminders

Call to Order: President Carol Derragon brought the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Recitation of the Preamble to the U. S. Constitution

Minutes: Minutes from the previous meeting accepted.

Financial Report: Loretta Davis, Treasurer, reported that Galveston Island Democrats (GID) started the month with \$20,681 and after donations and expenses ended at \$20,294. All donations are appreciated and needed for upcoming election activities.

Attendance Report: 67 people attended, 12 new members

Announcements:

Voting / Election: Early voting is October 20-31, 2025. General election is November 4, 2025.

Political Action: October 11, 2025. See list of Activities below.

No Kings Protest on October 18th will not be organized by GID. Members are welcome to join one of many Houston or Pasadena events. Members expressed concern that there wasn't a protest on the island. It was noted that the officers and other active members of GID were otherwise engaged on the 18th and couldn't be free to organize an event. The best event location, McGuire-Dent was already booked.

The proposed Bylaws have been posted on the website and membership will be asked to vote on those Bylaws at the next membership meeting.

Community engagement volunteers are needed.

Island Precinct Chairs: The island has six unfilled precinct chairs. Please contact Galveston County Democrat Chair, Tierr'ishia Bell (gcdpchair.gibson@gmail.com), County Liaison, Conni Rivers (gcdpliaison@gmail.com) or GlavisleDems@gmail.com for more information.

202 – 14th St to 25th St; Harborside to Broadway

211 – Pelican Island & 25th St to 77th St & Harborside to Broadway

215 – South of Ave O, east of 45th St.

221 – West of 8 Mile Rd (with 2 “carve-outs”)

274 – Jamaica Beach

275 – Pirates Beach & Lake Como

Committee Reports: Full reports published at <https://galvisledems.com/>

Program:

Introduction of Candidates present tonight:

Gordon Goodman - Supreme Court, Place 7

Richard Davis – U.S. House Texas District 14

2026 Election Key Dates

March 3, 2026 – Primary Election Day (Last day to register Feb. 2; Early voting Feb. 17 – Feb. 27)

November 3, 2026 – General Election Day (Last day to register Oct. 5; Early voting Oct. 19 – Oct. 30)

Communications Committee / Webpage update: Janet Jordan

The website is fully functional and has data concerning Voter Registration, Committee Status, Events, News, and Contact Information. In the section “Who We Are” information can be found about both ongoing committees and ad-hoc committees like the Bylaws committee. The Precinct Chairs are also listed in this section.

The Legislative Affairs Committee (LAC) pages have been populated with detailed analysis of Special Sessions 1 and 2 as well as analysis of the proposed constitutional amendments. A quick reference guide to the amendments is on the tables and is available on the website.

A letter from a GID member who is a student at University of Texas at Austin was read. The letter detailed her experience as an intern at the Texas State House of Representatives during Special Sessions 1 & 2.

LAC / Session 2 Summary & Constitutional Amendments: Shelia Salinas, Carol Hollaway, Janet Jordan

Introduction of team members.

Report on Special Session 2.

Report on proposed constitutional amendments.

Details of those verbal reports can be found at: <https://galvisledems.com/committee/constitutional-amendments/> and <https://galvisledems.com/committee/texas-state-legislature/>

Activities Past:

Date	Day	Time	Place	Activity
9/5/2025	Friday	9 A – 10:30 A	Sugar Bean 11 Evia Main	Coffee Club
9/6/2025	Saturday	8:45 AM	Fort Crockett/Anguished Man	Human Chain photo on Seawall
9/9/25	Tuesday	6 PM – 8 PM	<u>Gator's Bar and Grill</u>	Dickinson Area Democrats initial get-together &

			3535 Gulf Fwy, Dickinson, TX 77539 ·	introduce new precinct chairs
9/13/2025	Saturday	3:15 PM – 5:30 PM	Rosenberg Library, Wortham Auditorium	Movie: <i>Good Night, and Good Luck</i> , directed and screenplay co-written by George Clooney
9/16/2025	Tuesday	4:30 PM – 6 PM	Texas Tail Distillery, 2416 Post Office	Happy Hour

Activities Upcoming:

GID is trying to follow the national calendar <https://www.fiftyfifty.one/events> for protest events when possible.

Date	Day	Time	Place	Activity
10/3/2025	Friday	9 AM – 10:30 AM	Gypsy Joynt 6105 Stewart Rd, Galveston, TX 77551	GID First Friday
10/5/2025	Sunday	10 AM to 2 PM	Menard Park at McGuire Dent Rec Center 2222 28th St, Galveston, TX 77550	ACCT Annual Sea Walk event. It is a 3K run/walk and health fair event
10/9/2025	Thursday	11:45 AM	Holy Family Parish 2601 Avenue N, Galveston, Texas	Seaside Seniors Luncheons
10/9/2025	Thursday	7 PM – 8:30 PM	IBEW 527 2509 FM 2004, Texas City, TX	GCDP Monthly Meeting
10/11/2025	Saturday	10 AM to 2 PM	Menard Park at McGuire Dent Rec Center 2222 28th St, Galveston, TX 77550	Rally & March Democracy: Keep it alive
10/18/2025	Saturday	8 PM	Scottish Rite Cathedral in Galveston 2128 Church St, Galveston, TX 77550-2030	Play: The Uninvited
10/18/2025	Saturday	Multiple sites and times in Houston and Pasadena	https://www.mobili ze.us/nokings/	No Kings Day Protest

10/19/2025	Sunday	2:00 PM – 4 PM	Meet at 26th St & Santa Fe Place , Galveston, United States	Third Coast PrideFest Parade
10/21/2025	Tuesday	4:30 PM	Sugar and Rye 2401 Church St, Galveston, TX 77550	Happy Hour
10/25/2025	Saturday	Noon – 9 PM	Galveston County Courthouse 722 21st St, Galveston, TX 77550	LULAC Dia de los Muertos Parade and Festival
10/28/2025	Tuesday	7PM	6501 Harborside Dr, Galveston, TX 77554-2825	GID Membership Meeting
11/7/2025	Friday	9 AM – 10:30 AM	TBA	GID First Friday

Door prizes were distributed.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, October 28th at 7 PM.

Shelia Salinas

Secretary

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<https://galvisledems.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/GalvestonIslandDemocrats>

Questions: email us at galvisledems@gmail.com