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You're invited by the Incline Village-Crystal Bay Republican Women to a luncheon

Tuesday, February 12, 2019

at The Chateau, 955 Fairway Boulevard, Incline Village | 11:30 am – 1:30 pm

"Effective Outreach to Your Political Representatives"

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YOLANDA KNAAK teach you to make your voice heard in Incline Village, Carson City and Washington, D.C.!



Tickets are \$25 per person and include lunch. A no-host bar is available. Attendees without reservations will not be able to have lunch. "No Shows" will be billed!

Please RSVP to Shirley Appel at mrsradar@aol.com or call 818-266-4402 no later than Friday, February 8th.







PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Introducing Our 2019 Club Officers

As the club begins its 54th year electing Republicans to office and educating voters, it is my

pleasure to introduce our 2019 club officers.

KATHI CONGISTRE, TREASURER

Kathi has notched over 20 years as a club member, alternating between membership chair and treasurer for much of that time. She is beginning her second consecutive term as



treasurer and is also in charge of hospitality for the Hospital Auxiliary. Kathi likes to play bridge and belongs to the Incliners Book Club. She also enjoys her four grandkids and traveling.



KAY LEHR, SECRETARY

Our new secretary is also serving as president of the Incline Rotary Club. Kay served as our Americanism Chair last year and is continuing in that capacity in 2019. Her involvement in politics goes back to the cradle, since her mother was an elected official and kept the dining room table covered with campaign materials and

policy papers. Kay has followed her mother's lead, ending her career as a nurse in Washington, D.C. working on children's healthcare policy. Now retired, Kay enjoys her four children and ten grandchildren while working with our club to turn the entire state red again!

LOIS GLAB, FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

Lois comes to us after many years of activism in Republican Party politics in California as well as nationally. She was formerly the Americanism



Chair of the California Federation of Republican Women and has met Presidents Reagan and George W. Bush and members of their families. Lois is the mother of a graduate of the Naval Academy and the grandmother of graduates of the Naval Academy and West Point. Lois's late husband was a 30-year Navy pilot; and her Naval Academy grandson is an F-18 fighter pilot leaving for "The Stennis" aircraft carrier later this month. Her West Point grandson just left for nine months in Poland.

SHIRLEY APPEL, SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

Shirley is returning as second vice president (membership), having served as such several times in the past. In addition to her duties managing membership, Shirley will also take charge of RSVP's to our meetings and she will continue



as head of the calling team that is so essential to maximizing attendance at our club events. Shirley had a successful career as a professional figure skater followed by assorted jobs, among them office manager for a Motion Picture Prop House. Shirley has been married to Ray for 49 years and has three step-daughters and eight grandchildren.

ME (PATRICIA MOSER MORRIS)

I became club president in 2018 after serving as First Vice President of our club and Legislative Chair of both the Nevada Federation of Republican Women

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

and our club. I also serve as a trilingual on-line missionary for Global Media Outreach, a nondenominational evangelical Christian ministry. Before coming to Incline Village, I served as Assistant to the City Manager of the City of Barstow, California. I also worked in county government and in the U.S. diplomatic corps (the Foreign Service). My husband John and I are delighted to be (relative) newbies in Incline Village!

May we all have a productive and effective 2019 working together to elect Republicans and advance the values and principles of the American founding!

Patricia



Senators Joni Ernst and Marsha Blackburn

Blackburn, Ernst Become First GOP Women to Serve on Senate Judiciary

Freshman Sen. Marsha Blackburn of Tennessee and Sen. Joni Ernst of Iowa will become the first Republican women to serve on the Judiciary Committee when the new 2019 Congress is seated. The appointments solve a longstanding optics problem for Republicans — there are four Democratic women senators on the influential panel, including ranking member Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.), in contrast to the previously all-male GOP slate. Blackburn and Ernst are now in a position to preside over judicial nominations

and certain women's issues including the Violence Against Women Act.

Conservative lawmakers and outside advocacy groups hope the appointment of the two senators will deflect the kind of criticisms that surfaced when the Judiciary Committee investigated charges of sexual assault during the confirmation of Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh and Republicans hired a female outside counsel to question Kavanaugh and his accuser. Having another woman Republican senator would have really helped with the Kavanaugh hearing and some of the pushback we saw," said Kristan Hawkins, president of Students for Life of America.

Outside conservative groups are especially excited about the appointment of Blackburn, who over eight terms in the House staked out a reputation as one of the most vocal foes of abortion. The newly elected senator is perhaps best known for leading a special House panel that investigated charges that Planned Parenthood was profiting from the sale of tissue obtained from abortions. Blackburn said this role during her Senate campaign proved her "100 percent pro-life" stance.

Ernst, who is up for reelection in 2020 and was once considered a potential running mate for President Donald Trump, is a staunch conservative who has authored legislation defunding Planned Parenthood and who praised her home state's abortion ban as an "important step forward." Iowa's ban is among the strictest in the country but a court recently put the ban on hold.

Article by Alice Miranda Ollsten, January 2, 2019, Politco. Susan Schnetz, IVCBRW editor, shortened and updated some content.



here have been 56 total women in the United States Senate since its establishment in 1789. The first woman who served as a U.S. Senator, Rebecca Latimer Felton, represented Georgia for a single day in 1922. The first woman elected to the Senate was Hattie Caraway from Arkansas in 1932.

Seventeen of the women who have served were appointed; seven of those were appointed to succeed their deceased husbands. Commencing on April 9, 2018, when Cindy Hyde-Smith of Mississippi was sworn in, the 115th United States Congress had 23 female senators out of 100, which was an all-time high. The 116th Congress has 25 female senators, meaning for the first time in history, one-fourth of the members of the U.S. Senate are female.



ABOUT OUR SPEAKER, Yolanda Knaak NvFRW Legislative Chair

In 2018
Yolanda
Knaak
successfully led
our Incline
Village/Crystal
Bay Republican
Women and our
Nevada
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Women (NvFRW) as Legislative Chair in lobbying from home on behalf of Republican issues at the local, state and national levels.

At last year's Spring NvFRW meeting, Yolanda educated our members regarding the dangers of the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact. Yolanda has set up an email vote on State Resolutions for the Nevada Federation of Republican Women that started January 14th; she has also set up a Legislative Day on April 4th in Carson City.

Yolanda's recent email calling for "ALL HANDS ON DECK" informed us what we're up against with a Democrat governor and a Democrat majority state legislature (see her informative email reprinted herein). Yolanda has provided links so you can get your representatives' contact information and also explains how the email votes work on the Resolutions.

Yolanda Knaak has some 13 years of experience lobbying for Concerned Women for America, California, including nine months as that organization's Legislative Chair. She has a Bachelors' degree from Mount St. Mary's College and a Masters' degree from UCLA.



From Yolanda Knaak NvFRW Legislative Chair

Infortunately we now have a

Democrat governor and a Democrat legislative majority, and because of this, we need ALL HANDS ON DECK this Spring. Please come to the legislative hearings in Carson City (if at all possible) and please call your representatives to voice your opinions on legislation. The legislative session opens February 4th.The first item on their agenda will be to override Governor Sandoval's vetoes. He vetoed 41 bills in 2017. An override requires 2/3rds vote in both the State Senate and Assembly.

The State has 21 members so 8 Senators will stop the override. We only have 7. The Assembly has 42 members, so 15 are required to stop the override. We only have 13. Either house can stop an override. It only takes the Senate OR Assembly. — So your help in lobbying some of the more moderate Democrats will be needed.

I will be sending out legislative alerts. If you want, you can follow up to 10 for free. Below is the LINK:

https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/80th2019/Plt

Also, I am providing the links to a list of all the Senators and Assemblymen in the Nevada Legislature for the 2019 term, opening February 4th. Their emails, numbers and addresses are all included. When we put out the alert on a certain bill that needs our lobbying efforts, please contact the Legislators involved. If the links don't work properly in your browser, copy and paste into your browser's http section.

https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/Legislator/A/Senate/https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/Legislator/A/Assembly

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From Yolanda Knaak



Please use these links to know who your legislators are and how to contact them. You can even put their phone numbers in your phone, so at

the touch of a button you can call them!

So that we have a greater impact on legislation, the Nevada Federation of Republican Women (NvFRW) Board of Directors will formally take a position on several issues through an email vote of its Board of Directors on Federation resolutions.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR EMAIL VOTE ON PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS:

- The president of the Federation will direct the voting. The president does not get to vote unless there is a tie.
- She will present several proposed Federation resolutions to the Board for a vote, and ask for a motion.
- Someone must make the motion to approve some or all of the proposed resolutions.
- Someone else must second the motion.
- The president opens the motion or motions for discussion. All discussion will be sent to all members of the Board of Directors by Barb Hawn (Secretary of the NvFRW).
- All board members will have two days to contribute to the discussion via email.

After the discussion has closed, board members will have two days to submit their votes. Once the two days have elapsed and the voting has closed, the secretary will count the votes and publish the results. The vote and results will also be published in the minutes of the Federation.

Thank you for your Republican Passion!

My contact information: 916-532-4795 (please text) or yolanda7777@rocketmail.com

January 1, 2019

Dear Renewing Member,

nother year has passed and again it is time to renew your membership in the IV/CB Republican Women's Club for the year of 2019. By renewing now and coming to our meetings you will hear great speakers that help educate all of us throughout the year. With 2020 coming up FAST we need to know all there is to know!



We will again have our monthly luncheon meetings at the Chateau on the second Tuesday of the month at 11:30 am. We will begin our monthly meetings in February.

NEW SEASONAL GUIDELINES FOR OUR LUNCHEONS AT THE CHATEAU

During the off-season our meetings at the Chateau are on a new strict RSVP policy. All RSVP's MUST be in by the Friday before the meeting if you want to be able to eat. There will be no (lunch) walk-in's on the day of the meeting during the months of January through May. This means that you can still come and join us for the meeting but will not be able to eat lunch. The Chateau kitchen is closed during those months and in order to feed us they need to have the food brought in. This also means that any cancellations must also be by the Friday before the luncheon or we will ask you to pay for the lunch.

We also plan to have our wonderful summer evening Garden Party meetings in July and August which are always a great success. Stay tuned for the full schedule of events, which will be coming soon.

So again, please send in your membership payment and application to P.O. Box 3009 Incline Village, NV 89450, along with your check for \$35. Remember that your husband can join IVCB Republican Women as well as an Associate member for \$15.

Shirley Appel

Second Vice President, Membership Chairman

P.S. – For your convenience we have included a membership application for you to print, fill out and send (see page 6). Thanks for your awesome support and membership!



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The Politics of Immigration



By Walter E. Williams

ere are a couple of easy immigration questions — answerable with a simple "yes" or "no" — we might ask any

American of any political stripe: Does everyone in the world have a right to live in the U.S.? Do the American people have a right, through their elected representatives, to decide who has the right to immigrate to their country and under what conditions? I believe that most Americans, even today's open-borders people, would answer "no" to the first question and "yes" to the second

There's nothing new about this vision. Americans have held this view throughout our history, during times when immigration laws were very restrictive and when they were more relaxed. Tucker Carlson, host of Fox News Channel's "Tucker Carlson Tonight," gives us an interesting history lesson about immigration at Prager University. It was prompted by his watching a group of protesters who were denouncing President Donald Trump's immigration policies. They were waving Mexican flags and shouting, "¡Sí, se puede!" ("Yes, we can!")

Unbeknownst to the protesters, the expression "Sí, se puede" was a saying of Cesar Chavez's. When Chavez, the founder of the United Farm Workers union, used the expression "Yes, we can," he meant something entirely different: "Yes, we can" seal the borders. He hated illegal immigration. Chavez explained, "As long as we have a poor country bordering California, it's going to be very difficult to win strikes." Why? Farmers are willing to hire low-wage immigrants here illegally. Chavez had allies in his protest against the hiring of undocumented workers and lax enforcement of immigration laws. Included in one of his protest marches were Democratic Sen. Walter Mondale and a longtime Martin Luther King Jr. aide, the Rev. Ralph Abernathy.

Peaceful protest wasn't Chavez's only tool. He sent union members into the desert to assault Mexicans who were trying to sneak in to the country. They beat the Mexicans with chains and whips made of barbed wire. And, undocumented immigrants who worked during strikes had their houses firebombed and their cars burned. By the way, Chavez remains a leftist hero. President Barack Obama declared his birthday a commemorative federal holiday, an official day off in several states. A number of buildings and student centers on college campuses and dozens of public schools bear the name Cesar Chavez.

Democrats have long taken stances against both legal and illegal immigration. In 1975, California Governor Jerry Brown opposed Vietnamese immigration, saying that the state had enough poor people. He added, "There is something a little strange about saying 'Let's bring in 500,000 more people' when we can't take care of the 1 million (Californians) out of work."

In his 1995 State of the Union address, President Bill Clinton said: "All Americans ... are rightly disturbed by the large numbers of illegal aliens entering our country. The jobs they hold might otherwise be held by citizens or legal immigrants. The public services they use impose burdens on our taxpayers." On a 1994 edition of CBS' "Face the Nation," Senator Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., declared: "Border control is a federal responsibility. We simply don't enforce our borders adequately. In my state, you have about 2,000 people a day, illegally, who cross the border. Now, this adds up to about 2 million people who compete for housing, who compete for classroom space." She added: "In 1988, there were about 3,000 people on Medicaid. There are well over 300,000 (people on Medicaid) today who are illegal aliens. That presents obvious problems."

Tucker Carlson has a four-part explanation for the Democratic Party's changing position on illegal immigration. He says, "(1) According to a recent study from Yale, there are at least 22 million illegal immigrants living in the United States. (2) Democrats plan to give all of them citizenship. Read the Democrats' 2016 party platform. (3) Studies show the overwhelming majority of first-time immigrant voters vote Democrat. (4) The biggest landslide in American presidential history was only 17 million votes. Do the math. The payoff for Democrats: permanent electoral

majority for the foreseeable future. In a word: power."



Walter E. Williams is a professor of economics at George Mason University. Contact Information: E-mail: wwilliam@gmu.edu. This article was written January 16, 2019.

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Walls Work! Wall-building efforts in other nations, particularly in Europe, which is also confronting a migrant crisis, spurred President Trump to report in a recent tweet, "There are now 77 major or significant Walls built around the world, with 45 countries planning or building Walls. Over 800 miles of Walls have been built in Europe since only 2015. They have all been recognized as close to 100 percent successful."

Source: http://www.reaganreports.com, January 16, 2019.



The following information is an **interactive website link** that will allow you to see what is the present wall that separates the United States and Mexico. This website information and link is amazing!

https://www.usatoday.com/border-wall/us-mexico-interactive-border-map/

INFORMATION FROM THE WALL WEBSITE ...

"Scores of reporters, photographers, editors and digital developers from across the USA TODAY NETWORK spent nine months working on "The Wall: Unknown Stories, Unintended Consequences," a report that examines the U.S.-Mexico border in unprecedented ways. We flew the entire border – drove it, too. More than 30 reporters and photographers interviewed migrants, farmers, families, tribal members – even a human smuggler. We joined Border Patrol agents on the ground, in a tunnel, at sea. We patrolled with vigilantes, walked the line with ranchers. We scoured government maps, fought for property records. Then we presented this information in stories, documentaries, an interactive map, groundbreaking virtual reality, behind-the-scenes podcasts — even nights of live storytelling. The goal: Let you experience the border any way you choose, so as discussions take place and decisions are made, you have all the information you need.

"Could a wall be built? Would it work? – Those were some of the questions that we had in mind when we set out to see, film and map every foot of the U.S.-Mexico border. This map will show you video of the entire border, and all the fencing we could document from the air and the ground. You can also explore the issues in video stories, see 360-degree videos and get guided tours of portions of the border. Here's what we learned.

"The Texas fencing is full of gaps. The border fence begins in Texas, but it's miles inland from the border's edge at the Gulf of Mexico. Elsewhere, fences start and stop with huge gaps in between. . . . Huge stretches of border have no physical barrier. But the longest contiguous unfenced stretch of border — more than 600 miles total — is in the middle of Texas. There's no major city here on either side of the border.

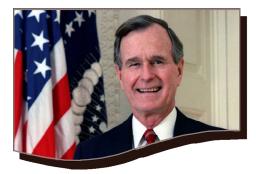
"There is a lot of fence in flat desert areas. Hundreds of miles of fencing is only "vehicle barrier." Vehicle barriers . . . are effective at [only] stopping vehicles. These fences alone won't stop people.

"Fence construction was dictated by geography, economics and legal factors. A wall would be, too. The Texas border is mostly unfenced because of treaty provisions, private-property rights, litigation and floodplains. Fencing was easier to build in New Mexico, Arizona and California, where the federal government controls a 60 -foot-wide strip of land adjacent to the border. As of late 2017, there was no public plan for the route of a new border wall, but Congress was set to debate funding for building a wall. What happens next is up to Congress, the President and the country to decide."

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George H.W. Bush, in full George Herbert Walker Bush, was born June 12, 1924 in Milton, Massachusetts and died November 30, 2018 in Houston, Texas.



By Linda Smith Immediate Past President

I had the honor of serving in the Reagan White House when George H.W. Bush was Vice President.

One of my earliest encounters with President Bush occurred in 1981, shortly after President Reagan had decided to significantly cut the federal budget, with the exception of defense spending. Budget Director David Stockman and I went to Capitol Hill to testify before the House Appropriations Committee. The Committee was chaired by a long-time Texas Congressman, Jim Wright. We were asking Chairman Wright and his colleagues to give us more resources to do the budget cuts the new President wanted.

The Committee hearing was long and painful. Chairman Wright grilled us for almost two hours. At one point he peered over his glasses and exclaimed in his Texas drawl, "Now let me get this right — you are asking us here in Congress to give you money so you can go around and cut all of the favorite federal programs us Congressmen put in the budget in the first place. Ain't gonna happen."

As we rode back to the White House, Budget Director Stockman suggested to me that we pay a call on Vice President Bush. Even though we did not have a prior appointment, George H.W. Bush graciously welcomed us into his office and listened intently as we explained what happened and the difficulty of dealing with Appropriations Chairman Jim Wright.

Vice President Bush smiled as we completed our story, leaned back in his chair, and said, "I speak Texan!! Let me have a chat with my fellow Texan Jim Wright and let's see what happens."

Despite the political odds against us, George H.W. Bush did indeed "speak Texan" so well that he was able to convince the Appropriations Committee to give us the resources we needed to start cutting federal programs and reduce bloated federal spending.

This is but one of the many behind-the scenes, miracles President George H. W. Bush performed while Vice President and subsequently as the 41st President of the United States.

On the wall above my desk hangs one of my cherished possessions. It is a faded photograph of me with George H.W. Bush, President Ronald Reagan, and then Secretary of Transportation, Elizabeth Dole. It reminds me daily that I was blessed to have had the opportunity to work with these outstanding Republicans.



Bush came from a political family. His father was Prescott Bush, a U.S. senator from Connecticut and a prominent businessman. Prescott Bush defeated Thomas Dodd (the father of future senator Chris Dodd) in one of his campaigns.





WASHOE COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY

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LINCOLN DAY DINNER

Saturday, February 23, 2019
Atlantis Resort, Casino, Spa
3800 S. Virginia Street, Reno, NV 89502
Platinum Reception: 5:00 pm—6:00 pm
General Reception 5:00 pm—6:30 pm
Dinner: 7:00

Speaker:

Dr. Sebastian Gorka

Former Deputy Assistant to President Trump & Fox News Contributor

Gorka's book, Why We Fight: Defeating America's Enemies -With No Apologies, released in October will be available.



General Reception and Dinner — \$175.00

Platinum Reception and Dinner — \$225.00

Platinum Reception and Premier Reserved Table for 8 — \$2,250.00

General Reception and Reserved Gold Table for 8 — \$1,750.00

R.S.V.P.: Mail check to: Washoe County Republican Office 3652 S. Virginia Street, C-8, Reno, NV 89502 Or register at: www.washoegop.org

Menu Choice: Steak Diane (Petite Filet), Pistachio Crusted Salmon or Vegetarian

KEEP WASHOE COUNTY



A WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT

When the Ship Sinks . . .

A true story from February 3, 1943. Remember help is always near and we can be part of that help for each other!



February 3, 1943, the USS Dorchester was on its way to Greenland with more than 900 men on board. Captain Hans Danielsen, aware that German U-boats were in the area, had ordered the men to stay ready and keep their life jackets on, but many of them disobeyed the order because the life jackets were uncomfortable and impossible to sleep in.

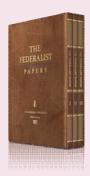
Four Army chaplains were on the ship: a Methodist minister, a Jewish rabbi, a Catholic priest, and a Reformed Church pastor. All four had been Boy Scouts. All four were brand new lieutenants in the Army. All four were ready to serve their Soldiers, their country, and their God. All four were prepared to give their lives if necessary.

When the torpedo hit the ship, the lights went out. A lot of people died instantly; more died in the water. Others were injured. Men who were trapped below began to panic, looking for their life jacket, trying to find a way to the top deck so they could abandon ship.

As soon as the chaos began, the four chaplains sprang into action. They encouraged panic-stricken young men, guided soldiers towards the upper deck and to the lifeboats, and helped them find life jackets. When there were no more life preservers to be found, they took off their own and gave them away in order to save the lives of a few more men, knowing that it certainly meant they themselves would die.

Two hundred thirty men made it into the rescue boats that night. As they looked back at the sinking ship, they saw the four chaplains standing on deck, arms linked, praying and singing in Hebrew, Latin, and English.

Ecclesiastes 3:1 states there is an appropriate time and season for every purpose under heaven, and if different times and seasons call for different actions, then how we live, how we behave, what is appropriate, or what is best, may be more a matter of discernment than today's political correctness.



What are The Federalist Papers?

arly defenders of the Constitution—
Alexander Hamilton, John Jay, and James Madison—have given us the guide:
The Federalist Papers.
Written between October

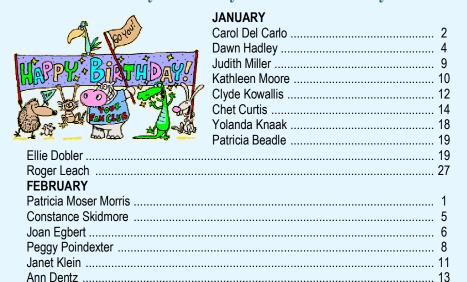
1787 and August 1788 under the pen name Publius, The Federalist Papers were originally published as newspaper editorials intended to explain the merits of the Constitution. Thomas Jefferson described The Federalist Papers as "the best commentary on the principles of government which ever was written."



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