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

Tuesday, February 11, 2020

at The Chateau, 955 Fairway Boulevard,
Incline Village | 11:30 am – 2:00 pm



Come meet and hear **KEVIN MAGEE**, Regional Field Director for the Trump Victory Campaign and the Nevada Republican Party, speak on **"Winning in 2020 – How to help turn Nevada Red and re-elect President Trump."**



*Tickets are \$25 per person and include lunch. A no-host bar is available. Advanced reservations are **REQUIRED**. Attendees without advance reservations will not be able to have lunch.*

Please RSVP to Cretia Eyster at
cretiaeyster@earthlink.net or call (cell) **415-515-1883**
no later than Friday, February 7.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

In the movie "Groundhog Day," the main character portrayed by Bill Murray, repeats each day exactly as it was previously. Many of us are hoping for a "Groundhog

Day" on November 3, 2020 when **President Donald Trump** repeats the remarkable win he had in 2016 to become our President.

But "hope" is not a strategy, and we must focus on being strategic in helping re-elect President Trump. That is why we are starting the 2020 club year with a presentation by **Kevin Magee**, the Northern Nevada Director of President Trump's campaign. Kevin will speak to us about what each of us can do to help ensure the re-election of our President and turn **Nevada red again**. I look forward to seeing many of you on February 11th for Kevin's presentation and to officially launch our campaign for 2020. I'm ready to roll up my shirt sleeves and I hope you are too!

And in case you haven't seen them, the latest economic statistics under President Trump are truly impressive. The jobless rate remains at 3.5 percent due to the de-regulation and tax reform spearheaded by our President, encouraging business development and hiring. Lowest wage earners are benefiting the most under our President, with real wages rising an average of 6.1 percent annually, compared to the meager 2.4 percent under Barack Obama. The poverty rate for Afro-Americans and Hispanics is the lowest on record under President Trump. The number of Americans on food stamps is the lowest it has been in 43 years! The middle class is not vanishing, as Democrats are wrongly saying. The opposite is true as more Americans escape poverty under President Trump's leadership.

So next time you talk to friends, remind them of who is really helping the poor, single mothers, and minorities – President Trump, not the socialist-proposing Democrat candidates.

This coming month also begins with the bi-annual party Caucus on February 1st starting at 9:00 AM at the Incline Village Middle School. This is NOT a Presidential

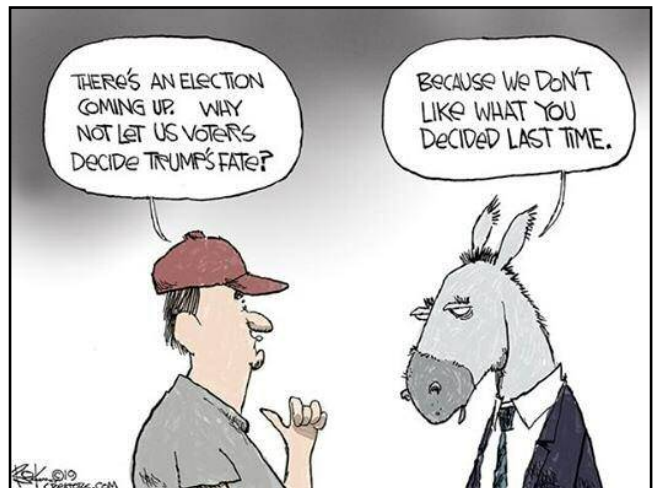
preference caucus, since President Trump is running unopposed. The February 1st caucus meeting has three purposes: (1) to recommend platform issues for consideration at the Washoe County GOP Convention and the State GOP Convention; (2) to elect delegates to the Washoe County Republican Convention, which will be held in March; and (3) to elect persons who wish to serve on the Washoe County GOP Central Committee.

If you are interested in helping with running the Caucus meeting, please let **Phyllis Westrup** in the Washoe County offices know. Phyllis can be reached at Secretary@washoegop.org or via phone by calling the party headquarters at 775-827-1900 and asking for Phyllis. If you cannot attend the Caucus but are interested in serving as either a convention delegate, Central Committee member, or both, please shoot me an e-mail at LLSMITH2650@aol.com, and I will notify the party officials about your willingness to help out the County party organization.



Your club starts the year on a positive note with a great lineup of speakers, a positive bank account, an energetic Board of Directors, and a growing membership base. So let's all see if the famous Pennsylvania groundhog, Punxsutawney Phil, sees his shadow on February 2nd, and either way, let's work together to re-live the 2016 election night victory of President Donald Trump.

Linda L. Smith





About our Speaker, **KEVIN MAGEE**

KEVIN MAGEE,
Northern Nevada
Regional Field Director

for the Trump Victory Campaign and Nevada Republican Party, will speak on **“How to help turn Nevada Red and re-elect President Trump”** at our February 11th meeting at The Chateau in Incline Village.

This is Kevin’s second election cycle after having worked on the Dean Heller Senate Campaign in 2018. Kevin Magee has a background in education and taught middle school in Washoe County for two years. He is currently a Masters student at the University of Nevada Reno and plans to work on education policy for the Nevada Department of Education.

One of Kevin Magee’s favorite statements on government is from Henry David Thoreau: “I heartily accept the motto, That government is best which governs least. . . . But, to speak practically and as a citizen, unlike those who call themselves no-government men, I ask for, not at once no government, but at once a better government.”

ABOUT *Henry D. Thoreau.*

Resistance to Civil Government, called Civil Disobedience for short, is an essay by American transcendentalist Henry David Thoreau that was first published in 1849. In it, Thoreau argues that individuals should not permit governments to overrule or atrophy their consciences, and that they have a duty to avoid allowing such acquiescence to enable the government to make them the agents of injustice. Thoreau was motivated in part by his disgust with slavery and the Mexican–American War (1846–1848). – Wikipedia

IVCBRW is proud to announce another of our members has been chosen for a leadership position in our community.

Schmitz appointed by Washoe County to fill open seat on IVGID Board

INCLINE VILLAGE, NEVADA

The Washoe County Board of

Commissioners made a decision that the Incline Village General Improvement District Board of Trustees wasn’t able to make. Washoe commissioners appointed



Sara Schmitz to fill the empty IVGID seat on the board that was abandoned by Phil Horan when he moved out of the area.

Schmitz was selected from a pool of eight candidates. She will serve the final 11 months of the term until the next election in November. Schmitz appeared on every commissioner’s secret ballot and was a unanimous decision. Residents Frank Wright received three votes and Michaela Tonking had two votes.

Washoe Commissioner Vaughn Hartung watched IVGID’s attempt to fill the seat and was frustrated when the trustees could not come to a consensus. He also shared some thoughts about how the meeting began. “It was very unsettling watching the meeting and hearing the chairwoman (Kendra Wong) start the meeting by saying they probably wouldn’t come to a decision,” Hartung told the audience.

After her appointment, Schmitz was emotional. “I would like to thank all of you,” Schmitz told the Board with tears in her eyes, “and all the people who have worked so hard acting on my behalf. I will do my best to uphold all these wonderful things that were said.”

Source: News, January 14, 2020, Bill Rozak, brozak@tahoedailytribune.com.



Why Democrats are Nervous about Presidential Candidates Ability to Win

Democrats picked up a stunning 41 House seats in the 2018 midterm elections, the party's biggest gain since the Watergate class of 1974 was elected. They've flipped nine state legislative chambers in the three years since Donald Trump was elected president, including recently taking control of both houses of the Virginia state legislature. They took the governorship in ruby-red Kentucky, kept that office in conservative Louisiana, and have won traditionally Republican seats at the city and county level as well. All indicators point to a blue wave that started in 2017 and has remained strong through this month's elections. So why are Democrats acting like it's all a mirage?

The record-large and diverse Democratic presidential primary field – once more than two dozen – has party regulars and donors more concerned than encouraged. Even though the presidential candidates are now fewer, instead of seeing the unique contributions each contender offers, they see pitfalls down the road.

Former Vice President Joe Biden has experience and an ability to connect with working-class voters? He's old, old-school and prone to gaffes, the worrywarts say. Senators Elizabeth Warren of Massachusetts and Bernie Sanders of Vermont energize the progressive wing and youth vote? Too liberal for mainstream America, sayeth the hand-wringers. South Bend, Indiana, Mayor Pete Buttigieg is super-smart and a war veteran? Also quite young at 37 and might turn off voters unwilling to vote for a gay man, nervous Democrats say.

And those others in the field who have their own strengths – thought-provoking proposals, outsider or middle-America perspectives, or the experience of being a racial or ethnic minority in a nation that is moving towards majority-minority status? They've rarely managed to get out of the single digits in any poll, note the finger-waggers, dismissing such contenders as Senators Kamala Harris of California, Amy Klobuchar of Minnesota and Cory Booker of New Jersey; never mind



folks like businessmen Andrew Yang and Tom Steyer or statehouse veterans such as Montana Gov. Steve Bullock, or former Massachusetts Gov. Deval Patrick. [And now] despite the large number of competitors narrowing, former

New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg as well as Patrick entered the race in January with Bloomberg specifically saying he was worried no one in the existing field could beat Trump.

“It's holdover shell-shock from 2016. No one thought Trump was going to win,” says Carolyn Fiddler, a Democratic state politics expert and communications director for the liberal website Daily Kos. “People are just gun-shy after that. I understand their fear.”

The anxiety is not unwarranted, analysts say, since Democrats face two formidable challenges – the unusual dedication of Trump's base and the peculiarities of the Electoral College.

But once Democrats settle on a nominee, they have another problem, an election process that makes it entirely possible that Trump could lose the popular vote but win the Electoral College vote, something that has occurred five times in U.S. history. Trump lost the popular vote by 2.1 million votes in 2016, but won the Electoral College 306-232, largely because of very narrow wins by the GOP nominee in Pennsylvania, Michigan and Wisconsin.

Aggressively, early organizing by Democrats could mean that the eventual nominee wins back those states – and perhaps picks up new states like Georgia and Arizona, where some polling shows a Democrat could beat Trump. But it's also possible that Trump loses the popular vote by an even greater margin while still winning the Electoral College. For example, if the Democrat Presidential candidate gains only a few

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Why Democrats are Nervous

percentage points in each of those states, but not enough to win them – and also fails to take back Wisconsin, Pennsylvania and Michigan – Trump would be re-elected with an even greater popular vote gap than occurred in 2016.

“The Democrats just lack an Electoral College strategy at this point,” says Hamline University political science professor David Schultz, author of the book *Presidential Swing States: Why Only Ten Matter*.

“I think nobody thought that Trump would win the election (in 2016), so we just don't want to take anything for granted this time,” says Rep. Dina Titus, Democrat of Nevada. “We're feeling good, but we're a little superstitious.”

Mark Alexander, dean of the School of Law at Villanova University and a former Democratic Senate and campaign aide, says, “the table is set for Democrats in so many ways.[But] without a strong candidate, and [with] a president who was counted out the last time... it's still very much a 50-50 proposition,” Alexander says.

And that's what's making the Democrats – despite three winning election years in a row – lose sleep.

Source: Excerpts from article by Susan Milligan, Senior Politics Writer, U.S. News & World Report.



Get ready to win, win, win again in 2020!

- ◆ Stunning data from Trump’s Ohio Rally: 42.8 percent of attendees identified as either Democratic or Independent.
- ◆ Multiple new polls show black support for Trump surging: Marist 33 percent, Rasmussen 34 percent, Emerson 35 percent.
- ◆ Recent rally in Milwaukee: Hundreds line up in freezing temps 11 hours before event.

How did Trump win? He won because he outworked Hillary by a country mile and because millions of ordinary Americans who’re fed-up at seeing their jobs disappear and their country in decline came out of the woodwork in droves to support the candidate who spoke to their concerns. By an electoral landslide, voters decided it’s time to “Make America Great Again!” This time voters will support President Trump and “Keep America Great!”

Source: Information Worth Sharing, John Eidson, January 15, 2020.



Evidence just in time for the Senate impeachment trial!





Time to smile and enjoy this funny shoe story!

TRUMP SHOES

A few weeks ago I went to Goodwill. I had given most of my sweaters away that I didn't like or wear any longer to a charity that helps women who have experienced sad or awful situations and are now studying to become women of faith. As I was looking through the rack of sweaters, I heard a loud-talking lady next to me saying to her friend, "Hey, look at this one - isn't this pretty?" "Oh look, here's another beauty."

It was slightly irritating, but I continued to look - swish, swish, swish as we looked for our sweater "finds." I looked down momentarily to pick up a sweater that had fallen off the hanger and noticed her shoes. Her shoes were brightly colored with a U.S. Flag and stamped on top of them was, "Trump." I burst out laughing!



We talked - she said, "I've even converted my Grandmother to vote for Trump. He's the first president ever who has promised and then delivered. It's amazing how much hatred there is of him."

I commended her bravery to wear the shoes and not get shot! We laughed! (She assured me I could go on line and get my own Trump shoes!)

True story by Susan Schnetz of Trump deplorables shopping at Goodwill.

INCLINE VILLAGE/CRYSTAL BAY REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB 2020 EVENTS CALENDAR

Table with 4 columns: DATE, EVENT, LOCATION, RSVP BY. Lists monthly luncheons, community fair, dinner, and Christmas party.

RSVP by the deadline to Cretia Eyster at cretiaeyster@earthlink.net or by calling 415-515-1883 (cell).



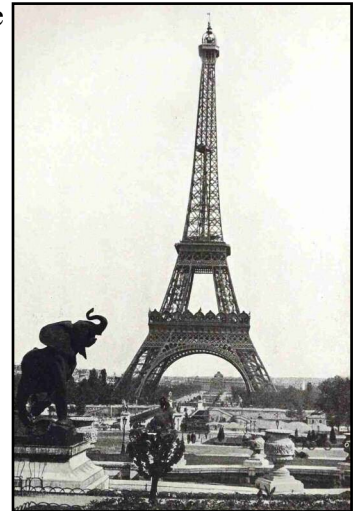
The year was 1919 – one hundred years ago. What a difference a century makes!

AMERICANISM

- The average life expectancy for men was 47 years.
- Fuel for cars was sold in drug stores only.
- Only 14 percent of the homes had a bathtub.
- Only 8 percent of the homes had a telephone.
- The maximum speed limit in most cities was 10 mph.
- The average U.S. wage in 1919 was 22 cents per hour.
- The average U.S. worker made between \$200 and \$400 per year.
- A dentist earned \$2,500 per year.; a veterinarian between \$1,500 and 4,000 per year; and a mechanical engineer made about \$5,000 per year.
- More than 95 percent of all births took place at home.
- Ninety percent of all Doctors had NO COLLEGE EDUCATION! Instead, they attended so-called medical schools, many of which were condemned in the press and the government as “substandard.”
- Sugar cost four cents a pound; eggs were fourteen cents a dozen; and coffee was fifteen cents a pound.
- The five leading causes of death were: (1) pneumonia and influenza; (2) tuberculosis; (3) diarrhea; (4) heart disease; and (5) stroke.
- The population of Las Vegas, Nevada was only 30.
- Crossword puzzles, canned beer, and iced tea hadn't been invented yet.
- Two out of every 10 adults couldn't read or write, and only 6 percent of all Americans had graduated from high school.
- Marijuana, heroin, and morphine were all available over the counter at local corner drugstores. Back then pharmacists said, “Heroin clears the complexion, gives buoyancy to the mind, regulates the stomach, bowels, and is, in fact, a perfect guardian of health!”
- There were about 230 reported murders in the ENTIRE U.S.A.



The Eiffel Tower was the tallest



structure on Earth. From its debut at the 1889 World's Fair in Paris until the completion of the Chrysler Building in 1930, Gustave Eiffel's wrought-iron marvel represented the peak of human engineering.

It's still the tallest landmark in the City of Light today at 984 feet, but pales in comparison to the current global record holder, the Burj Khalifa, which stands at 2,722 feet.



Woodrow Wilson was president. After William Taft lost his reelection campaign in 1916, the Democratic governor of New Jersey took the Oval Office. He's best known for his foreign policy and leadership during World War I, when he urged Congress to "make the world

safe for democracy."

The "Great War" had just ended. At the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, Germany signed an armistice agreement with the Allies that signaled the end of a four-year global war that killed 14 million people and wounded 21 million others. Peace wouldn't last

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AMERICANISM

very long; World War II started two decades later in 1939.

There was no NFL. American football initially attracted fans on college campuses in the late 1800s, with professional teams like the Canton Bulldogs and Dayton Triangles soon taking off. They waited to establish a formal league until 1920 to curb bidding wars over players and the illegal recruitment of active college athletes.



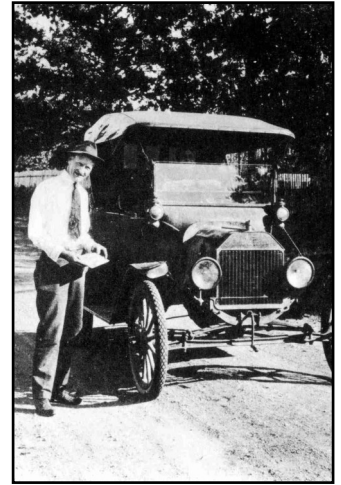
Kids played with Raggedy Ann and Lincoln Logs. Teddy bears — named after President Theodore Roosevelt — were another favorite, with tinker toys, electric trains, and erector sets also filling toy boxes across the country.

Molasses made headlines. Boston suffered an unusual and deadly disaster after a large storage tank filled with 2 million gallons of molasses burst and flooded the streets at an estimated 35 miles per hour. North End residents later claimed that the air smelled sweet for decades afterwards.



companies also operated elevated trains and electric streetcars in major cities. Combined with growing

automobile traffic and the continued use of horse-drawn carriages, the roadways were a crowded place to be.



Model T's were the most popular car. Henry Ford introduced the affordable automobile for the everyman in 1908, and it soon dominated the streets.

A decade later, about half of the cars the United States were T's, also called "flivvers." The automaker's big news in 1919: It would begin offering electric starters in addition to the standard hand crank.

Alcohol was officially illegal. Prohibition officially went into effect in 1919 with the passage of the 18th Amendment. The temperance movement cited concerns about the effects of alcohol on political corruption, spousal abuse, and public health, among other consequences. As of 1933 you could (legally) toast to its end.

Women still couldn't vote. The public contributions of women to the war effort helped out the suffrage movement. **Almost exactly 50 years after the Seneca Falls Convention, President Woodrow Wilson would urge Congress to pass the 19th amendment, which was finally adopted in 1920.**



Lots more information here at this site: <https://www.goodhousekeeping.com/life/g5177/life-100-years-ago/?slide=20>



Membership Application

New Member Renewing Membership

If you receive this application/renewal form via email, please print a copy and mail with your check to the address below.

NAME as it appears on VOTER REGISTRATION: _____

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MEMBERSHIP STATUS , PLEASE CHECK ONE:

- Active \$35, any woman registered as a Republican
- Associate \$20, any woman with a full membership in another Republican women's group,
_____ OR any man registered as a Republican
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CHECK AREAS OF INTEREST:

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MAIL APPLICATION AND CHECK to the following address:

Membership Chairman
IV/CB Republican Women
P. O. Box 3009, Incline Village, NV 89450

Always more information for you at our website: ivcbw.org



Nevada Federation of Republican Women Regents Membership

— 2020 —

The Nevada Federation of Republican Women (NvFRW) Regents program ensures that our Federation plays a significant role in electing Republicans. Our members have the enthusiasm, energy, and the creative ideas to positively influence the election process and the governance of our State. Regents provide the funding to make remarkable things happen!

When you join a local club, you become a member of a three-tier organization. \$15 of your dues are forwarded to our state Treasurer. \$20 goes to National FRW, and **only** \$5 stays with the Nevada FRW. A generous donation of \$100 per year ensures that NvFRW has the financial means to further our mission to elect more Republicans at the local, state and national levels. **All Republicans are welcome to support Regents!**

Regents make possible:

- Leadership and education training for our members
- Special projects approved by Regents members
- Outreach to our communities to increase Republican visibility
- Expanding our programs to increase membership and develop new clubs
- Support approved political advocacy strategies
- Building a special fellowship among women who share the passion for the Regents program

Please join our dedicated Nevada women with your Regents check to NvFRW! Your generous \$100 annual donation enables NvFRW to be involved, to be relevant and to be visible throughout our State. We welcome you and appreciate your dedication to **"Make NEVADA RED Again!"**

Name _____ Club Name _____

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New Regent? ___ Renewing Regent? ___ Regent Spouse? ___ Regent Friend? ___

Thank you for supporting Regents! We're Proud to be GOP!

Please make check payable to NvFRW and send to your regional Regent Chair:

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The November 2019 Jobs Report Was Not Kind...to Democrats

It is clear why Democrats are focusing on President Trump's impeachment. Besides their hatred of the man, the endless stream of excellent economic news only makes Trump look better. And the November 2019 jobs report was exceptional. Over 250,000 jobs were created and the unemployment rate dipped again. It rests at a solid 3.5 percent.

During the summer, there were fears of a recession. Democrats hoped that would happen . . . , but these new figures have the experts feeling more positive about 2020 (via WaPo). "The United States added 266,000 jobs in November as the jobless rate decreased to 3.5 percent, reflecting a surge of strength in the labor market that has muscled through recession fears that flared over the summer."

The data, released by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, beat expectations. Analysts had forecast roughly 180,000 new jobs for the month. The 3.5 percent unemployment rate is back at a 50-year low.

Source: <https://townhall.com/tipsheet/mattvespa/2019/12/06/maga-bitches-over-250000-jobs-created-in-november-unemployment-rate-dips-again-n2557594>



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