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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A friend of mine recently remarked, "Everyone should have been washing their hands a long time ago." True, as we watch and pray that this virus subsides and the world can return to some normalcy. Let us be proud of the way President Trump has pro-actively addressed this crisis, taking

early steps to stop travel from China, releasing regulatory burdens on the pharmaceutical industries, and offering federal assistance to those hardest hit.

And while some of us believe the virus has been over-dramatized by the liberal media, in an abundance of caution the IVCBRW Board of Directors
has cancelled our April meeting
<a href="While optimistically planning for our Candidates and Scholarship Night on May 12th. Our scheduled April speaker, Assemblywoman and physician, Dr. Robin Titus, has graciously agreed to be our speaker in October.

Our March luncheon continued the momentum of 2020 with presentations by two dynamic speakers. **Melissa Clement, Executive Director of Nevada Right to Life,** pointed out that a teenage girl must get parental permission to pierce her ears, get tattooed, or receive a library card. But she does not need parental approval to get an abortion. To rectify this, there is campaign underway to collect enough signatures to put the question of parental rights on the ballot. Please watch for and support this important effort to correct who can and should make medical decisions when a young girl is involved.

John Tsarpalas, President of the Nevada Policy Research Institute (NPRI) gave a PowerPoint presentation on the political landscape in Nevada and what Republicans are up against as we work to correct the heavy influence of liberal labor unions, trial attorneys, the media, and the democrat machine in our State. John, as a veteran of political wars in the mid-west, was successful in turning Wisconsin around under the leadership of Governor Scott Walker. John believes we can do the same here in Nevada and he laid out the plan of how to accomplish this. It will include supporting think tanks like NPRI, developing a



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strong grassroots team, and focusing on key Assembly and Senate campaigns to tip the balance back to the right. If you are interested in learning more or helping in this effort, please visit www.npri.org or call their offices at 702-222-0642 By the way, donations are tax-deductible.

Election season has begun. You will see in this newsletter a summary of the rules for supporting candidates. Please read it carefully and let me know if you have questions. While we believe these rules are sound and fair for most elections, Incline has a unique election for General Improvement District Trustees. Your Board will be reexamining these rules as to how they should apply where multiple seats and multiple Republican candidates are seeking election. I will update you soon.

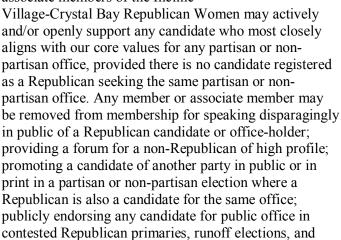
Finally, if you have not already done so, please renew your membership using the application found later in this newsletter. We need "all hands on deck" for this election season – and, oh yes, let's wash those hands!!

Rules for Supporting Candidates this Election Season

As we approach this year's election, I would like to remind each of us about the candidate-support rules

adopted by our club, the Nevada Federation, and the National Federation of Republican Women.

As our bylaws state "members and associate members of the Incline



special elections, and/or non-partisan elections to the exclusion of other Republican candidates in a political campaign."

In summary, as Republicans we should support candidates of our own Party, not those who are Democrats or some other affiliation. Also, when there is more than one Republican running for the same office, we should not publicly favor one over the other. And we should not say bad things about Republicans in office or running for office.

I would be glad to answer questions you may have regarding this rule and trust we will all act with courtesy and respect to those who are members of our Party and have undertaken the daunting task of running for office. Thank you.

Linda L. Smith

IVCBRW President 2020

Trump says 'no way' he'll cancel GOP convention in August

President
Trump said
there is "no
way" he will
cancel the GOP
convention in
August, despite
the uncertainty
surrounding



planned events due to the coronavirus pandemic. "We're going to have our convention. You know, we have our convention in North Carolina, in Charlotte," he recently said to Fox News host Sean Hannity. The GOP convention is scheduled for August 24-27, about two months before the general election in November.

Recent reports circulated that the coronavirus pandemic has forced the committee tasked with planning the Democratic National Convention to consider emergency "contingency options" for the event, scheduled July 13-16 in Milwaukee. Since the virus reached the U.S., dozens of large events and conferences have been canceled or postponed.

Source: TheHill.com, article by J. Edward Moreno, March 26, 2020.



IVCBRW ENACTS 2020 BUDGET



At the March luncheon, Peggy Poindexter, our club

Treasurer, presented the 2020 budget for ratification, which was accepted by unanimous agreement. We started this year with slightly over \$16,000 in the bank. For 2020 we are budgeted to spend \$29,430.

Our major expenses are dues to the National Republican Women's Federation, the costs of our luncheons and dinners, our scholarship program, contributions to the civic organizations we support (such as Kids and Horses, Veterans Guest House, and We the People), support for our local Political Action Committee (PAC) and the operations of running the organization.

The national dues doubled in 2019 and the costs of our food service at the Chateau and at our catered events have increased by 10 percent. We are working diligently to control other costs, but to ensure we have adequate funds to help Republican candidates this election year, we have raised the price of the lunches to \$30 and increased our Associate Member dues to \$20. Your Executive Committee intends to complete the year with a healthy balance in the bank, but due to the steep increase in the amount of money we must send to the national federation, we are considering a membership increase in 2021.

In the meantime, we encourage you to support your club through participation in our donation program, attending our events, and purchasing patriotic clothing and jewelry from our boutique. The Club Treasurer (Peggy Poindexter) or President (Linda Smith) would be glad to answer questions or comments you may have about this year's budget.

We look forward to keeping our 55-year old club financially strong to continue for another 50 plus years.

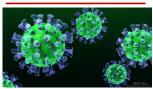
IVCBRW Executive Committee

Herbert Hoover was a strong advocate of *laissez-faire* economic policies. He believed the free market would self-correct during the Great Depression. He felt that economic assistance would make people stop working. His biggest concern was keeping the budget balanced. Ronald Reagan said, "Government isn't the solution to our problems. Government is the problem."

—Message from Lisa Krasner— Regarding the Coronavirus

and the safety of our community is my top

priority. Because of COVID-19, health officials are recommending staying home, and cancelling large group gatherings.



Symptoms of CoronavVirus can include: fever, cough and shortness of breath. If you believe that you may have the Coronavirus, contact your doctor's office or the Health Department at 775-328-2427.

Preventative measures:

- ✓ Staying home when sick;
- ✓ Covering mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing;
- ✓ Washing hands often with soap and water; and
- ✓ Cleaning frequently touched surfaces and objects.

We'll get through this together by being kind and keeping healthy. Prepare, don't panic.

You can get Nevada updates on coronavirus here:

https://nvhealthresponse.nv.gov/

Washoe County updates on Coronavirus here:

https://www.washoecounty.us/health/programs-and-services/communicable-diseases-and-epidemiology/educational materials/COVID-19.php

Take care of yourself and stay healthy!

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National Popular Vote (not good!)

In a U.S. Supreme Court decision in the 1960s Reynolds vs Sims, the decision violated the U.S. Constitution by mandating states to make both houses apportioned by population. Our Nevada rural counties lost equal representation to the urban counties. Thus in Nevada today, our legislature is dominated by Las Vegas alone. Our Founders had it correct balancing the smaller less populated states equally in the Senate and the House representation based on population. It was called the Great Compromise for a good reason.

The map below thus serves to show how rural/geographic size would be muted by the highly populated urban areas, both at the federal level and how it has, in fact, changed things in the states as well. The National Popular Vote is an example of the old adage: Power corrupts and absolute power corrupts -- absolutely. Nature abhors a vacuum and today the urban areas are receiving all kinds of federal handouts, thus acting as a magnet that draws even more citizens into these areas for more handouts. "Limited Government" was designed to keep government as the servant to the people. We need to protect the Constitution and the built-in safeguards to keep the people FREE from government domination!



The Electoral College

There are 538 total electors in the Electoral College, who are chosen by each state of the United States and by the District of Columbia (but not by other territories like Puerto Rico). The number of electors for a state is based upon the voting membership of that state in Congress – i.e. the number of representatives in the House, plus the number of senators. There are a total of 435 Representatives and 100 Senators in Congress; so along with 3 electors from the District of Columbia that brings the total number of electors to 538. A presidential candidate needs 270 (just over 50 percent electoral votes to win.

Incline Village General Improvement District Candidates for Trustee

ecause gatherings, including fundraisers, are being discouraged, some of our Republican candidates seeking to serve on the Board of Trustees for Incline Village have shared how you can make a contribution to their campaign. There are currently five Republicans who have filed for the three open slots. In alphabetical order they are Matthew Dent, Yolanda Knaak, Blaine Johnson, Sara Schmitz, and Frank Wright. Two of them, Mr. Frank Wright and Mr. Blaine Johnson, have not provided us with contact information. The other three have provided the following information for soliciting donations.

Make Checks to MATTHEW DENT FOR TRUSTEE Mail to:

Mr. Matthew Dent 774 Mays Blvd 10-573 Incline Village, Nevada 89451

Make Checks to SUPPORTERS OF YOLANDA KNAAK FOR IVGID

Mail to:

Ms. Yolanda Knaak 551 Lucille Drive Incline Village, Nevada 89451

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Mail to:

Ms. Sara Schmitz 932 Lakeshore Blvd. Incline Village, Nevada 89451

Can Liberals Be Reached in 2020?

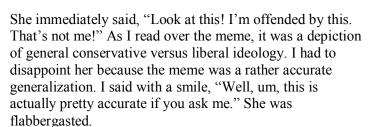
By Willie Richardson

A story of convincing a woman that the Democrat Party doesn't do what she believes in.

We have all been in that situation at church, work, a community event, the barber shop, a doctor's office, or sitting at the table at Thanksgiving dinner. That moment when awkward silence looms large, and the room seems like the air has been sucked dry. That moment when someone says something negative about a political candidate/party you support, not knowing they are targeting you.

Last week, I encountered two similar situations. Assuming

I was the typical "black Democrat," one woman spoke negatively about President Donald Trump while performing my routine physical, and the other was offended by a meme that depicted liberals as being, um, liberals. The latter woman was a retired high-school teacher who came up to me after I spoke at a local high school for Black History Month about Frederick Douglass. She wanted to understand the difference between "liberals and conservatives." I obliged, smiled, and said, "Let's talk."



The meme read:

- If you ever wondered what side of the fence you sit on, this is a great test!
- If a conservative doesn't like guns, he doesn't buy one. If a liberal doesn't like guns, he wants all guns outlawed.
- If a conservative is a vegetarian, he doesn't eat meat. If a liberal is a vegetarian, he wants all meat products banned for everyone.
- If a conservative is down-and-out, he thinks about how

- to better his situation. A liberal wonders who is going to take care of him.
- If a conservative doesn't like a talk-show host, he switches channels. Liberals demand that those they don't like be shut down.
- If a conservative is a nonbeliever, he doesn't go to church. A liberal nonbeliever wants any mention of God and Jesus silenced.
- If a conservative decides he needs healthcare, he shops for it or chooses a job that provides it. A liberal demands that the rest of us pay for his.
- ◆ If a conservative reads this, he'll forward it so his friends can have a good laugh. A liberal will delete it because he's "offended."

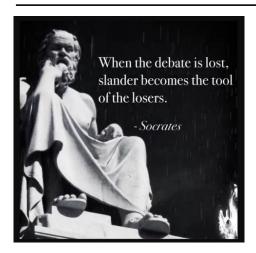
Just from knowing this woman, I would never figure she was a liberal. She believes in personal responsibility, limited government, the right to life, and fiscal accountability. "Growing up, we were poor," she shared. "My mom received assistance and that's why I vote Democrat. I believe they are for the poor." I understood her allegiance to the Democrat Party was

a heartstring that had been pulled as a young daughter. Although assistance was helpful, she grew up believing in creating the life she wanted instead of waiting on the government to do it for her. I shared the values of the Democrat Party and she said, "I'm a Christian and don't believe in this platform!" I looked at her and said, "But you vote for it." She became sober-minded and realized her decision to vote for liberal policies went against everything we both knew she stood against. "You've really helped me understand some things," she told me. "I thought my conservative friends were just crazy, but when I think about it I believe the same things." I allowed her to draw her own conclusions. If you are ever cornered between a political wall and a hard place, remember these three easy steps to reaching liberals, especially if they are professing Christians:

Listen more than you talk. Liberals like to complain about almost everything. The president, the



Can Liberals Be Reached in 2020?



economy, schools, guns, and tolerance. Let them get it all out and even if you're tempted, don't say a word. Let the awkward silence happen a few times. When you keep quiet you

actually gain leverage when your voice is heard.

Stay in control of your emotions. Don't let your feelings affect your messaging. If you begin to attack or defend your position out the gate, you will ruin your chances of having meaningful dialogue. Grin and bear the erroneous emotional rant you hear. Smile and shake your head in affirmation as you listen. It doesn't mean you agree, it means you're listening with self-control.

Intelligently speak your position. Wait until they say something you both know he/she doesn't agree with – same-sex marriage, forcing children to attend failing schools, abortion, gun laws, big government, and the destruction of the traditional family. When you speak, remind them of the facts about the economy. Remind them of the beauty of school choice or Opportunity Zones. Remind them of the points in the State of the Union Address. You will see how they begin to agree with the facts and all you'll end up doing is nodding your head in agreement. Tell them, "You certainly don't sound like a Democrat based on what you believe in. Has anyone told you that before?" A close family member or friend has always said something to them about their liberal political leanings to no avail, until now!

There are levels to reaching a liberal. Do not count them all out because many of them vote based on feelings and not facts. Bring the facts to the conversation and leave it there.

If they trample on Trump, help them to decipher between political personalities versus political policies. This woman told me, "But Barack Obama was so smooth and polished. Trump just comes out with it all." I told her

being smooth allowed our former president to get away with policies that would not be accepted otherwise. She agreed and realized that it is not about the personality of the president but what he actually puts into policy.

This exchange of ideas was productive. I learned how to calmly approach those who have different political ideologies. I believe she learned what she actually believes doesn't line up to what she votes for. Win-win situation!

Source: https://patriotpost.us/articles/68671-can-liberals-be-reached-in-2020-2020-02-19



American Spirit Shines Amid Coronavirus Crisis

By Louis DeBroux

uring a time of immense hardship, heartwarming stories of help abound. The American people are, in the words of President Donald Trump, "one big beautiful American family." How true that is. Like family we get along with some more than others. We disagree on things, often loudly and vehemently. We argue and fight, laugh, cry, and love.

Yet no family in the world sets aside differences and strengthens each other in times of crisis more than the American people. Whether it be the aftermath of the radical Islamist terrorist attacks of 9/11, the surprise Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, a massive outbreak of tornadoes in the Midwest, or flooding following Hurricane Katrina, we come together to rescue our neighbor, comfort them, and help them put their lives back together.

And we do it spontaneously, without command or instruction. We see a need, and we rise to meet it; family helping family, neighbor helping neighbor. We saw it in 2016 with the Cajun Navy, an ad-hoc group of volunteers who hitched their boats to their trucks and drove toward Hurricane Katrina as it bore down on





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Louisiana. These heroes saved thousands of lives, plucking them from the raging waters that engulfed their homes. These same volunteers rescued thousands more following Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, Florence, and Michael.

The COVID-19 coronavirus presents a much different danger, but a more formidable one. More lives are at risk. And once we are past the danger, there will be time to go back and review what could have been done better and where we can be better prepared next time. But despite the inevitable stumbles and bureaucratic hurdles, no other nation was more prepared than the U.S. to deal with this crisis. And once again, in the face of danger and national crisis, the American people instinctively look for ways to help their neighbors; not only meeting their basic needs, but lifting their spirits and giving them hope.

Recently, many corporations voluntarily and proactively stepped up to help their employees, with Walmart and other large companies announcing they would give two weeks of paid leave to any employee who is sick or taking care of a sick family member. Other businesses took a more entrepreneurial approach. Shine Distillery and Grill in Portland, Oregon, is converting its alcohol waste byproduct into a hand sanitizer and giving it away. Helping relieve anxiety and stress, the Metropolitan Opera began streaming nightly performances for free for quarantined fans. The video-communications firm Zoom is offering free streaming of religious services. And as millions of children are now stuck at home, doing school remotely, Charter Communications announced free broadband for two months to homes with students.

Millions more individual Americans are seeking opportunities to aid those in need. NBA rookie and former Duke phenom Zion Williamson announced he

will pay the salaries of the workers of the Smoothie King Center (New Orleans Pelicans' arena) who found themselves out of work when the NBA canceled its season. And Charlotte Hornets Sports and Entertainment, along with Hornets players, created a fund to provide financial aid to its 500 part-time employees no longer working after the season abruptly ended.

In Houston, after Harris County announced a mandatory shutdown of all bars and nightclubs, a patron left a \$9,400 tip at Irma's Southwest Restaurant with a note on the receipt that read simply, "Hold tip to pay you guys over the next few weeks." And while few Americans have that kind of money to drop as a tip, many are ordering take-out from local restaurants to help them stay afloat.

In Walnut Creek, California, a dentist is offering free emergency dental services at home to ease crowding in hospital emergency rooms. Around the country, private citizens are tutoring children for free. Others are using the Nextdoor app to coordinate food, medicine, and aid for the vulnerable.

In Smithfield, North Carolina, Nathan Sheppard played guitar on Facebook Live and asked for donations. He raised \$235 and gave it to Jessica Young, a local waitress and single mother of three who is awaiting kidney and pancreas transplants. Churches across the country are mobilizing to respond to the increased needs.

These seemingly random and sometimes coordinated acts of kindness and generosity are occurring countless times each day across America. The vast majority will never make the news or be applauded. Yet they go on, day after day, blessing the lives of those who receive them.



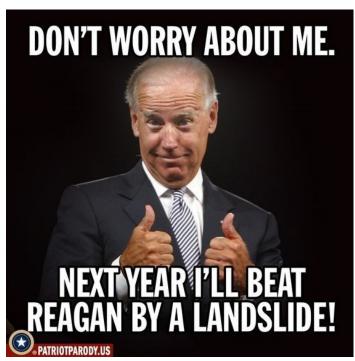
American Spirit

There are some in the media, and some driven by politics, who portray America as having Third World healthcare and greedy, self-interested people who care nothing for the suffering of others. But these critics are cynical and selfish in their motivations, and to be dismissed, or rebuked.

America is the greatest, most compassionate, most generous, most entrepreneurial, most resilient nation on the face of the Earth. If you doubt that, simply ask yourself one question: In the current pandemic, where else would you rather be?

Author: Louis DeBroux's career as an amateur historian began at the age of nine, when he began reading anything he could find on the Founding Fathers and the American Revolution, a pursuit of knowledge now spanning nearly four decades. Louis is a weekly analyst for The Patriot Post.





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

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	RSVP BY
May 12	Candidate/Scholarship	The Chateau	May 8
	Evening		
June 9	Monthly Luncheon	The Chateau	June 5
July 4	Community Fair	Village Green	NA
July 14	Dinner on the	Ellie Dobler's Home	July 10
-	Golf Course	995 Fairway Blvd	
August 11	Annual Dinner Party	The Chateau	August 7
Sept 8	Fashion Show Lunch	The Chateau	Sept 4
Oct 13	Monthly Luncheon	The Chateau	Oct 9
Nov 10	Victory Luncheon	The Chateau	Nov 6
Dec 8	Christmas Party and	The Chateau	Dec 4
	Officers' Installation		

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







Happy Birthday to You!

The birthday jingle owes its current prominence to two simple facts: just about everyone knows it by heart and it takes about 10 seconds to sing. It's one of the most famous songs ever written – a ditty that has been the backdrop to birthday celebrations for nearly a century. Now, all of a sudden, that song, "Happy Birthday to You," is gaining a second identity as the accompaniment to a hand-washing ritual in this global Coronavirus pandemic.

"Happy Birthday to You" owes its current prominence to two simple facts: just about everyone knows it by heart and it takes about 10 seconds to sing. So if someone sings it twice, that's just about what experts recommend for a thorough hand-washing in these anxious times.

"Happy Birthday to You" was first published in 1893 in a book titled *Song Stories for the Kindergarten*. The song was then titled "Good Morning to All," with the same melody we all know today. The song was written by two sisters, Mildred and Patty Smith Hill. Patty wrote the lyrics to "Good Morning to All" while serving as the principal of a kindergarten in Louisville, Kentucky, where Mildred was a teacher. The sisters copyrighted their song in October 1893.

There are various accounts of how "Good Morning to All" morphed into "Happy Birthday to You." According to the one published on the Songwriters Hall of Fame website, in March 1924, the sisters' song appeared without authorization in a songbook edited by Robert H. Coleman. In the songbook, Coleman used the original title and first stanza lyrics but altered the second stanza's opening line to read "Happy Birthday to You." Thus, through Coleman, the sisters' line "Good morning dear children" became "Happy birthday dear (name)."

During the next decade, the song was published several times, each time with minor alterations to the lyrics. By 1933, the widely accepted title was "Happy Birthday to You." Mildred died in 1916 at age 57, years before the tune became famous as "Happy Birthday to You." Patty died in 1946 at age 78, having lived to see that she and her sister had started a worldwide birthday tradition.

Source: https://www.billboard.com/articles/ https://www.billboard.com/articles/ news/9335034/happy-birthday-to-you-history-hand-washing-song



WHO SAID? . . . "It is difficult for me to imagine what "personal liberty" is enjoyed by an unemployed hungry person. True freedom can only be where there is no exploitation and oppression of one person by another; where there is not unemployment, and where a person is not living in fear of losing his job, his home and his bread. Only in such a society can personal and any other freedom exist for real and not on paper." — Joseph Stalin - - but sounds like Bernie Sanders!

P. P. W.	Membership Application
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MISS THE TRUMP RALLIES?

ere's one of the greatest! On February 24th, 2020, the President and First Lady Melania Trump received a warm welcome in Ahmedabad, India, where Prime Minister Modi greeted him with a mega-rally at a cricket stadium before the two sat down to talk trade. President Donald Trump was greeted at the rally by an enthusiastic crowd estimated at more than 100,000. He said India gives hope to all of humanity. "Namaste! Namaste," Trump told the cheering crowd at the "Namaste Trump" or "Welcome Trump" event in Ahmedabad. "And hello to India. This is such a great honor," he said.



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