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

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

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

Don't miss hearing
SHAWN MEEHAN,
Founder of
Guard The Constitution,
speak about the U.S. Constitution.
He will inform us about those in
our nation who are trying to
change our Constitutional rights
as citizens of the United States.



*Tickets are \$30 per person and include
lunch. A no-host bar is available.
Advanced reservations are REQUIRED.
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will not be able to have lunch.*

Please RSVP to Cretia Eyster at
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no later than Friday, April 9th.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The months just seem to be flying by. The clocks have sprung forward and now it is officially Spring. The good news is the sun is out and the weather is beginning to warm up, and I think it makes everyone feel like getting outdoors and enjoying Spring in the most beautiful place on earth.

The bad news is the Democrats leftist agendas are pushing things in the wrong direction. From the crisis at our southern border to attempting to legislate universal mail-in voting, this Administration is continuing to wipe out all the gains to Make America Great Again that President Donald Trump initiated. We are in for a rough road ahead!

Even our town is overridden with bad changes! For example, you may know what is going on with policies promoting the "Bus Hub" and the "Short Term Rentals." Speaking of which if you are not already subscribed to the IV/CB Community 1st newsletter put out several times a month by our own club member and Trustee Sara Schmitz, here is the link to subscribe.

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Our Legislative Chairman Yolanda Knaak has been keeping us up to date on the State Legislature in Carson City. There are many bills that we need to be aware of such as the bill the Democrats are trying to pass regarding tracking our guns along with the next step of taking away the Second Amendment rights given to us in the U.S. Constitution. Also, Yolanda is keeping us informed on Universal Mail-In Voting and Ballot Harvesting proposals and bills. If you wish to be informed on a weekly basis concerning what is happening in our Legislature, be sure to check out the ALERTS that Yolanda sends to us.

Our April 13th speaker is SHAWN MEEHAN and he will be speaking to us about the U.S. Constitution. You can read about Shawn's impressive background

in this newsletter. His message is very timely considering all that is going on; he will inform us about those in our nation who are trying to change our Constitutional rights as citizens of the United States!

For your information at our March 9th meeting we had copies of "1776 Report." Those of you that attended the meeting received a copy of this document. I still have 15 copies left and can get more printed if needed. So, if you did not attend the March meeting and plan to attend the April 13th meeting and hear SHAWN MEEHAN and receive a copy of this very valuable booklet, be sure to RSVP as soon as possible!

More good news! It is my understanding that we can now have as many as 100 people at the Chateau for our events.

We will be having some big changes coming in the near future regarding the way you reserve for our meetings – so stay tuned.

If you are a new or returning member and have not received your name badge, please let Kathi Congistre or myself know as soon as possible so we can get one made for you.

Stay healthy and see you soon,

Shirley Appel

Second Amendment to the United States Constitution

The Second Amendment to the United States Constitution protects the right to keep and bear arms. It was ratified on December 15, 1791, along with nine other articles of the Bill of Rights. In District of Columbia v. Heller, the Supreme Court affirmed for the first time that the right belongs to individuals, for self-defense in the home, while also including, as dicta, that the right is not unlimited and does not preclude the existence of certain long-standing prohibitions such as those forbidding "the possession of firearms by felons and the mentally ill" or restrictions on "the carrying of dangerous and unusual weapons." In McDonald v. City of Chicago the Supreme Court ruled that state and local governments are limited to the same extent as the federal government from infringing upon this right.



About our Speaker,
SHAWN MEEHAN



**Shawn Meehan is the Founder of
Guard The Constitution**

During the Blackhawk Down incident in Somalia in October of 1993, Shawn served as an Air Force cargo aircraft loadmaster when a soldier killed in the battle was loaded on his aircraft. This awakened Shawn to the high cost of freedom and to this day fuels his passionate defense of our United States Constitution.

Shawn is a Retired U.S. Air Force Master Sergeant, Veteran of Operations Desert Storm, and Iraqi Freedom. He performed duties as Fuels Specialist, C-141 and C-5 Aircraft Loadmaster, Flight Safety Officer, and Air Expeditionary Forces Loadmaster. He completed an associate degree in Logistics, another in Aircrew Operations and a bachelor's in Professional Aeronautics – minoring in Aviation Safety – all while serving on active duty.

Shawn has spent seven years studying the United States Constitution specializing in Article V. He wrote and helped lead the effort to pass Senate Joint Resolution 10 in Nevada in 2017 (with four unanimous votes) deleting ten pending Article V constitutional convention resolutions. He works with other national leaders to teach the Constitution to state

legislators. To vastly expand his efforts, he launched **Guard The Constitution** to be the intersection of conservative information, debate, and proven activism.

For 10 years, Shawn has been involved in the local Douglas County—Nevada, Republican Central Committee, building their Communications Committee and serving on their Executive Board. Shawn also serves on the Nevada Republican Central Committee. He was Chairman of the Nevada Republican Convention Resolutions Committee in 2012, 2014, 2016, 2018 and 2020.

Shawn has been interviewed by national talk radio host Lars Larson, Kevin Miller – KIDO (Boise-Idaho), Tamara Scot – KTIA (Des Moines, Iowa), and is a recurring guest on Monica Jaye's show on 99.1FM in Reno.

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"The We in We The People."**

**Guard The Constitution's mission is
"We are here to put our government back in the
box it came in."**

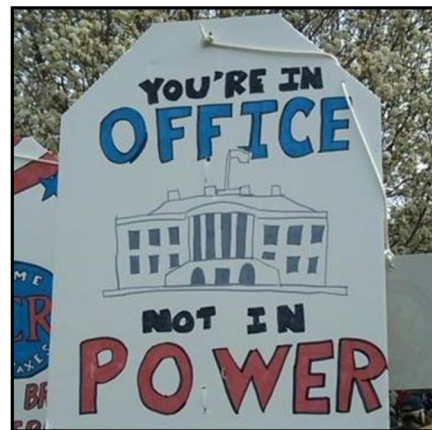
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America is filled with elected officials that exist for their self interest and the fabric of Liberty continues to suffer under this burden.



**MARCH 9, 2021
LUNCHEON
MEETING**



Members listening to presentation

Presentation by Michael Kadenacy



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1776 Project pamphlet



Yolanda Knaak



We still have hope that the state legislatures will come to their senses, embrace their patriotism, and order a complete and transparent audit of the 2020 election and bring those perpetrators to justice.

Looking in the Wrong Direction: Time to Wake Up!

By Ray DiLorenzo

Deception in any war or battle is one of the greatest tools of any military commander. One of the keys to Japan's success in the Pearl Harbor attack was convincing the American government that they had not changed their strategy of a defensive posture, a very Sun Tzu tactic. When the Japanese did attack Pearl Harbor, the Japanese carriers arrived from the Northwest, while our forces were looking to the Southwest. When the newly operational radar station at Opana Point in Oahu detected a large group of planes arriving from the Northwest, an officer decided it was a squadron of B-17s due to arrive from San Francisco, 2,000 miles to the Northeast. A little geography knowledge would have served him well.

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And so, today we prepare for an attack that will probably never come in any way we are expecting. Russia and China long ago had decided that a military engagement with the United States would be unsuccessful or at least so costly as to make it impractical. I am not suggesting our military is of no value, quite the contrary, but we continue to look for the enemy in the wrong direction.

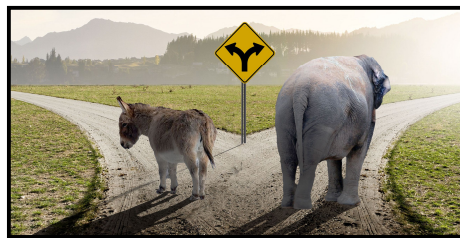
The CCP, decades ago, correctly ascertained that Democrats, having been taken over by the radical Left, crave power more than national security. As a result, the CCP and the new Democrat Party cuddled up to one another, offering and giving aid in any form each

needed to achieve the power they so badly wanted.

If you remember, with Trump, the Democrats were dealing with a president that was creating the greatest economy, and the most powerful military in our history. Unemployment was at historic lows for everyone, Black, White, or Hispanic. Gasoline prices were down and we were no longer energy dependent. Attacks on the Trump presidency were ineffective. The Democrats were in a position to not win any election in the foreseeable future. Over 30 states were Republican strongholds.

While still monitoring the enemy with satellites and carrier task forces, the enemy had already arrived and had already attacked. China, or the Chinese Communist Party (CCP), had invaded the United States with a biological weapon with the aid of its greatest ally, the Democrat Party. Many political observers were shocked at the speed and efficiency of the

operation. Death stats were exaggerated even to the point of gunshot victims listed as dying of COVID. The peripheral attack of COVID-19 on the rest of the world was a feint to throw us off. China's own dead was just the cost of doing business. After China released the weapon, the radical Democrats initially showed no concern, hiding their recognition, hoping we would open ourselves to the contagion. Democrat governors released elderly patients into nursing homes with the well-known result, while hospital ships and makeshift hospitals that Democrat governors begged for, and Trump ordered, remained underused. A major crisis was in the making.



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Time to Wake Up!

President Trump was widely criticized for early-on closing of air traffic from China and later from countries that showed spread. As late as April of 2020, people like Nancy Pelosi were calling Trump a racist and xenophobe for halting the flights. After a sufficient amount of planned disbelief had passed, Democrats then began propelling COVID fear with Democrat operatives like Fauci and Birx insisting we close businesses and churches, order lockdowns, creating massive unemployment, and depressing our economy to the breaking point. First face masks were not needed, then needed, then not needed, then needed again, and now they say you need to wear two or even three, just in case. Death stats were exaggerated even to the point of gunshot victims listed as dying of COVID. Vaccines were developed that now show signs of being deficient due to new strains of the virus appearing.



Doctors and medical professionals everywhere were making videos, posting on social media, and writing articles disputing much of what Fauci and Birx had been selling, until

they were all banned, deplatformed...total censorship. Democrats, Big Tech and the media maintained it was all for our own good. China is still stonewalling any international effort to find the origin of the virus. Hospitals, who fought and fired many of their staff doctors who wanted to use hydroxychloroquine, were unwilling to give up the economic windfall from less than effective, government prescribed COVID treatments. In December of 2020, the world's second largest hydroxy factory blew up... Hmmm.

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campaign, won the presidency with more votes than anyone in American history

The follow-up operation was a massive cyber attack on our electoral system, assisting the Democrats in their effort to win the 2020 election and the Georgia Senate races. According to The Epoch Times, they used media bias, election machine hacking and a curious relationship between Dominion Voting Systems and a China-controlled securities firm. China had been infiltrating the American elite, including the Biden family, for almost thirty years. Hundreds of pages of signed affidavits, under penalty of perjury, were presented attesting to the fraud. No one but President Trump and his closest allies were interested.

Both China and the Democrat Party decided that Trump and the Republican Party were an enemy that had to be neutralized. They wanted us to believe that Joe Biden, a corrupt vice-president, a mediocre senator, cognitively challenged, that would not campaign, won the presidency with more votes than anyone in American history.

They now want us to believe that our economy, as badly damaged as it has become, with untold devastation to millions of families, was necessary and for the good of the country. We now have a fresh border crisis that is Trump's fault. For millions of Americans it has become a bridge too far.

Our border crisis is as manufactured as the COVID pandemic. The Left care nothing for migrants, the women raped and murdered along the route, the children forced into sex trafficking, or the criminals and COVID infected entering our country. They are clearly refusing to enforce law. Their only priority are the potential Democrats they will most likely become. A whole new generation of dependents. Listen carefully as Biden says, "Please don't come, we're not quite ready for you"... double speak.

This is not politics as usual!

And now, with their win, they are quickly making up for lost time, turning our country into a socialist state, nullifying the Bill of Rights and the freedoms we have come to expect and with much of the country still in shock and disbelief. Some may

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disagree with my assessment, but there have been far too many coincidences. It has been widely said, "In politics there are no coincidences."

The Democrats would have every right to think we are stupid, but many are waking up from their collective comas and coming to the realization that something is terribly wrong. This is not politics as usual. But, too many of us are still looking in the wrong direction.

We still have hope that the state legislatures will come to their senses, embrace their patriotism, and order a complete and transparent audit of the 2020 election and bring those perpetrators to justice. I sense people are starting to get antsy. What state will be first to prove to the world that they hold honest elections? What state will lead the charge? Others are waiting to follow.

Ray DiLorenzo is a career pilot having retired after 22 years as a contract fire pilot with the California Department of Forestry (Cal-Fire). He is presently affiliated with the Stand Up America US Foundation, established by Maj. Gen. Paul E. Vallely (Ret). Mr. DiLorenzo's article appeared Canada Free Press, March 2021: <https://canadafreepress.com/>



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Not long ago, photos like this would have provoked outrage from a certain side of the political aisle



Inside a crowded border patrol tent for migrants in Texas

SOME GET IT!

Democrat Tulsi Gabbard says, "You See the Final Expression of Cancel Culture is Islamist Terrorist Groups like ISIS, Al-Qaeda."

Former Rep. Tulsi Gabbard (D-HI) compared those who engage in "cancel culture" to Islamist terrorists during an interview on Fox News.



TRANSCRIPT from Fox News Host Trey Gowdy follows:

Hey, Tulsi, how are you?

REP. TULSI GABBARD (D-HI): Aloha, my friend, it's good to talk to you as always.

GOWDY: Likewise, alright, I used to turn to you when we were serving together for guidance. Tell me what the cancel culture is and why we should be concerned with it.

GABBARD: Well, you rightly started this conversation talking about freedom. When you look at the foundation of our democracy, it is based on this ideal, this principle of freedom. Freedom of speech, freedom for every single one of us to be able to share our ideas and debate them, to argue them, to agree or to disagree, to pick and choose . . . those that we deem to be right or wrong, to be superior or inferior and even those ideas that may be misleading or dangerous. We have the right to then defeat those ideas with superior ones. And others have the freedom to choose, choose what they want to believe or not to believe or what they want to adhere to. So, when you look at this question, what is cancel culture? Cancel culture is the opposite of this. It means that in a cancel culture, you have some people who believe that they are special, that they are superior, that they have the power to be able to shut down those who have ideas and views that are different. [They] say "No, we're going to place obstacles in front of you, we're going to silence certain voices, so that only those who agree with us and the path that we deem to be right as the one that is before you to choose."

The main issue with this is when you look at our rights and freedoms, and our ability to debate them, and respectfully

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Audie Murphy's Wife Deserves a Medal of Honor



Audie Murphy, the kid from Farmersville, Texas, was only 46 years old when he died in a helicopter crash into the Virginia Mountains. He was bothered all

his life when he came back from the War and it really affected his life. He never got the medical help he should have gotten.

Not many young people know who Audie Murphy was or how big a war hero he was. Two or three of the medals he earned would make most service men proud, but to have earned his decorations in battle is truly unbelievable.

List of Decorations for Audie Murphy

- Medal of Honor
- Distinguished Service Cross
- Silver Star (with oak leaf cluster)
- Legion of Merit
- Bronze Star (with oak leaf cluster and Valor Device)
- Purple Heart (with two oak leaf clusters)
- U.S Army Outstanding Civilian Service Medal
- U.S Army Good Conduct Medal
- Presidential Unit Citation (with First Oak Leaf Cluster)
- American Campaign Medal
- European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal (with One Silver Star, Four Bronze Service Stars (representing nine Campaigns) and one Bronze Arrowhead (representing assault landing at Sicily and Southern France)
- World War II Victory Medal
- Army of Occupation Medal (with Germany Clasp)

- Armed Forces Reserve Medal
- French Fourrage in Colors of the Croix de Guerre
- French Legion of Honor - Grade of Chevalier
- French Croix de guerre (with Silver Star)
- French Croix de guerre (with Palm)
- Medal of Liberated France
- Belgian Croix de guerre (with 1940 Palm)
- Additionally, Murphy was awarded :
- The Combat Infantry Marksman badge with Rifle Bar,
- Expert Badge with Bayonet Bar

Here's the true story of Audie Murphy's widow, Pamela Murphy

Pamela Murphy, widow of WWII hero and actor, Audie Murphy, died peacefully at her home on April 8, 2010. She was the widow of the



most decorated WWII hero and actor, Audie Murphy, and established her own distinctive 35-year career working as a patient liaison at the Sepulveda Veterans Administration hospital, treating every veteran who visited the facility as if they were a VIP. Any soldier or Marine who came into the hospital got the same special treatment from her. She would walk the hallways with her clipboard in hand, making sure her boys

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Audie Murphy's Wife

got to see the specialist they needed. If they didn't, watch out!

Her boys weren't Medal of Honor recipients or movie stars like Audie, but that didn't matter to Pam. They had served their country. That was good enough for her. She never called a veteran by his first name. It was always respectfully, "Mister."

"Nobody could cut through VA red tape faster than Mrs. Murphy," said veteran Stephen Sherman, speaking for thousands of veterans she befriended over the years. "Many times I watched her march a veteran who had been waiting more than an hour right into the doctor's office. She was even reprimanded a few times, but it didn't matter to Mrs. Murphy. "Only her boys mattered. She was our angel."

Audie Murphy died broke in a plane crash in 1971, squandering millions of dollars on gambling, bad investments, and other women. "Even with the adultery and desertion at the end, he always remained my hero," Pam told me.

She went from a comfortable ranch-style home in Van Nuys where she raised two sons to a small apartment - taking a clerk's job at the nearby VA to support herself and start paying off her faded movie star husband's debts. At first, no one knew who she was. Soon, though, word spread through the VA that the nice woman with the clipboard was Audie Murphy's widow. It was like saying General Patton had just walked in the front door. Men with tears in their eyes walked up to her and gave her a Hug. "Thank you," they said, over and over. The first couple of years, I think the hugs were more for Audie's memory as a war hero; the last 30 years, they were for Pam.

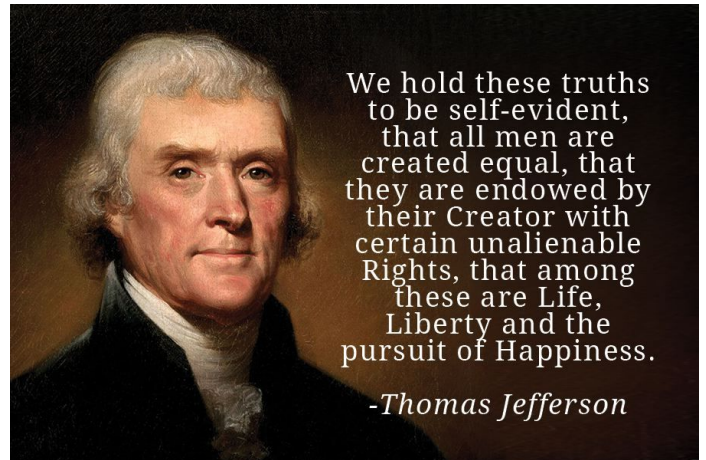
One year I asked her to be the focus of a Veteran's Day column for all the work she had done. Pam just shook her head no. "Honor them, not me," she said, pointing to a group of veterans down the hallway. "They're the ones who deserve it." The vets disagreed. Mrs. Murphy deserved the accolades, they said.

Incredibly, in 2002, Pam's job was going to be eliminated in budget cuts. She was considered "excess staff. I don't think helping cut down on veterans' complaints and showing them the respect they deserve

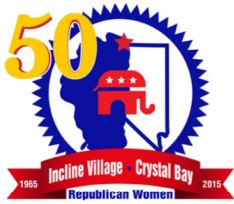
should be considered excess staff," she told me. Neither did the veterans. They went ballistic, holding a rally for her outside the VA gates. Soon word came down from the top of the VA that Pam Murphy was no longer considered "excess staff." She remained working full time at the VA until 2007 when she was 87.

"The last time she was here was a couple of years ago for the conference we had for homeless veterans," said Becky James, coordinator of the VA's Veterans History Project. Pam wanted to see if there was anything she could do to help some more of her boys. Pam Murphy was 90 when she died – what a lady!

Article by Dennis McCarthy, Los Angeles Times on April 15, 2010.



Thomas Jefferson was the 3rd President of the United States. He was born on **April 13, 1743**, the 3rd of 10 children, in Goochland County Virginia. He was an architect, was interested in birds, wine and known to be a gourmet. Many know that he was married to Martha Skelton and had children but did you know that only 2 of his 6 children survived to adulthood? He also collected books and had quite a memorable collection by the time he passed away on July 4th in 1826, the same day our 2nd President John Adams, a life-long friend of Jefferson died. They both left this world on the 50th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence to which their signatures forever resides.



Membership Application

New Member Renewing Membership

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- Active \$50, any woman registered as a Republican
- Associate \$20, any woman with a full membership in another Republican women's group,
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Tulsi Gabbard (continued)

come out the other end agreeing or disagreeing, it's based on the fact that we are all children of God and . . . we then treat each other with respect.

So, let's look down the path and say, 'Okay, well, where does this cancel culture lead us?' You see the final expression of cancel culture is Islamist terrorist groups like ISIS and Al Qaeda who basically go and behead those who . . . they deem to be infidels or heretics in order to silence them, in order to protect others from being misled by those heretical ideas in the eyes of an ISIS or Al Qaeda.

When we look at the foundations of our democracy. . . we as individuals [need to] stand up against it [cancel culture]. We can stand up against this cancel culture, this fear mongering, this bullying, that if you don't adhere to this path that those in power say is the right one, then you're at risk of losing your job, you are at risk of losing family or friends or being unpopular, losing likes on social media. This requires us to ask the question of ourselves, who are we trying to please? And this is something for me at a really young age, I recognized that life is short. Death can come at any time and I was happiest, and am happiest, when trying to live my life to be pleasing to God, to my best friend. And so as I've gone through my life, and especially in politics, the media is coming at you with attacks, political opponents, social media. I have always found that peace and that strength in going with it and knowing that God has unconditional love for all of us.

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