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## *The Elephant's Tale*

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

**Tuesday, June 8, 2021**

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



**Please join us to meet  
Nevada National  
Committeeman**

**Jim DeGaffenreid,**  
who will present a  
legislative recap of the  
Nevada 2021 session  
scheduled to end May 31st.  
Jim also will give a general  
update highlighting election  
integrity initiatives in  
Nevada and nationally.

*Tickets are \$30 per person (plus credit card fee) and include lunch. A no-host bar is available. Advanced reservations are REQUIRED. Attendees without advance reservations will not be able to have lunch.*

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**TO PURCHASE TICKETS:** We strongly encourage credit card ticket purchases. Credit card ticket purchases must be made by noon on Thursday prior to the event. To purchase by check, please call **Nancy Carlson at (650) 255-1435** or **Cretia Eyster at (415) 515-1883**. Checks must be received no later than noon the Wednesday prior to the event. **Cancellations for credit card or check purchases must be made by noon the Friday before the event. Payment will not be accepted the day of the event.**

**ORDER TICKETS:** <https://incline-village-crystal-bay-republican-women.square.site>



## President's Message

Greetings to all of you. We are finally making some real progress in the fight against COVID. Most of us have

had the "jab in the arm" and can finally take off the mask, outdoors as well as indoors in most places.

Our May Scholarship luncheon brought us three wonderful Incline High School graduates, **Zack Homola, Niklas Pietzke and Laura Flynn.** Their essays were excellent! We

wish them much success in their new college endeavors and look forward to keeping in touch with them as they progress with their higher education.

We now have a new Membership Directory. It was mailed out this week and hopefully you have received it. I want to give a great big shout-out to both our Membership Chairman, **Kathi Congistre and Nan Healy**, a dear friend to many of us, for bringing this project to fruition. Please note the front inside cover, the Bylaw regarding the use of this directory – it is vital that this policy be followed.

We are still having problems with people reserving for the luncheon and not showing up. We are obligated to pay for those luncheons not eaten. The policy of the Chateau is very strict, and we must abide by their rules. Please note that from now on **ALL RSVP's** must be made and paid for no later



than **11:00 am on the Thursday before the Tuesday luncheon.** And all cancellations must be made by **11:00 on the Friday before the Tuesday luncheon.** If a reservation is made after the deadline, we have no choice other than to let you know you will not be able to eat at the luncheon and will be put on a wait list and notified if there is a cancellation. I'm sorry to be so bold about this policy. However, we need to make our reservation policy clear since we've had so many issues over the last year or two. The good news is that now we have implemented our new reservations procedure. I want to recognize and thank **Nancy Carlson** for all her hard work in making sure our membership list is accurate. Nancy worked hard on making our two Constant Contact lists into one! Plus, we now have a portal you can use for your reservations. These active hyperlinks will be displayed in our communications so you can make reservations for all our events!

Our Summer events are beginning to take shape. We will be having our July 13th event at Aspen Grove with speaker **Robin Titus, M.D.**, NV Assembly Minority leader. It should be a very enlightening evening. Then in August, our speaker is Senior Fellow **John Cockrane** of the Hoover Institute. His speciality is economics. This is our annual Dinner Garden Party and will be held in the beautiful garden of **George and Carol Del Carlo.** Be sure to make your reservations in a timely manner as we need to limit guests to no more than 65-70.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at our great events this summer.

*Shirley Appel*

**L**iberty must at all hazards be supported. We have a right to it, derived from our Maker. But if we had not, our fathers have earned and bought it for us, at the expense of their ease, their estates, their pleasure, and their blood. — John Adams, 1765



*About our Speaker,*  
**Jim DeGaffenreid**

**J**im DeGaffenreid moved to Douglas, County, Nevada, from Mammoth Lakes, California in 2001. He has been married to his wife, Theresa, for 35 years and they live in Gardnerville, Nevada.



Jim is a firefighter/EMT for Mono County Fire/Rescue in California, and he and wife Theresa are owners of Summit Insurance Partners, an independent insurance brokerage in Minden, Nevada.

Jim became very active in Nevada politics in 2007 at both the County and State levels, and works each election on behalf of may GOP candidates statewide by walking precincts, assisting in fundraising and organizing campaign events.

When the Republican State party asked Jim to form a legislative committee in late 2009, during 2010 he kept Nevada Republicans informed of federal legislation, particularly universal healthcare. He tracked the swing votes in Congress and advised Nevada Republicans which members of Congress should receive calls opposing Obamacare. He has continued to be heavily involved in Nevada politics at both the State and Federal levels.

- Chairman, 2010 Nevada State Platform Committee
- Chairman of the Nevada State Nominations and Elections Committee, 2009 and 2010

- Chairman of the Nevada Republican Party Legislative Committee, 2009-2013
- Secretary, Nevada Republican Party, 2011-2013
- Nevada GOP Presidential Elector, 2012, 2016 and 2020
- Nevada Delegate and Member of the Committee on Permanent Organization, GOP National Convention 2016.
- Vice-Chairman, Nevada Republican Party, 2013-2013
- Nevada National Committeeman, 2020 to present



**Nevada Legislature**

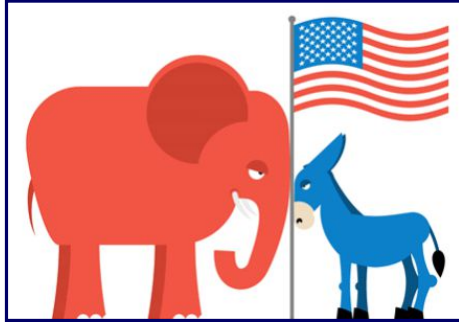
The Nevada Legislature is a bicameral body, consisting of the lower house, the Assembly, with 42 members, and the upper house, the Senate, with 21. With a total of 63 seats, the Legislature is the third-smallest bicameral state legislature in the United States, after Alaska's and Delaware's. The Nevada State Legislature as of 2019 is the first majority female State Legislature in the history of the United States. The Democratic Party currently controls both houses of the Nevada State Legislature.





## Upside-Down World!

Our present world has changed dramatically. It would seem no matter how we vote, no matter what we say, something evil has invaded our nation. Are you confused by the hostility of family and/or friends? Some of us are – people we have known all our lives now disagree with a different opinion, and it is much like suddenly entering the Twilight Zone. Some troubling things we now deal with . . .



- If a man pretends to be a woman, you are required to pretend with him.
- Supposedly it's un-American for the census to count how many Americans are in America.
- Russians influencing our elections are bad, but illegals voting in our elections are good.
- It was cool for Joe Biden to “blackmail” the President of Ukraine, but it's an impeachable offense if Donald Trump inquired about it.
- People who have never owned slaves should pay slavery reparations to people who have never been slaves.
- People who have never been to college should pay the debts of college students who took out huge loans for their degrees.
- \$5 billion for border security is too expensive, but \$1.5 trillion for “free” health care is not too expensive for those in our country illegally.
- We see other countries going socialist and collapsing, but those in our country that embrace socialist and Marxist ideology think it's a great plan for all of us.

- Criminals are caught-and-released to hurt more people but jailing them is a violation of their rights. And . . . pointing out the hypocrisy somehow makes us “racists”!

Very little makes sense in our present world. What has happened to our country? There is very little civility left in our government and even worse some in our families as well as some of our friends are now estranged. We are living in an upside-down world where right is wrong and wrong is right, where moral is immoral and immoral is moral, where good is evil and evil is good, where killing murderers is wrong, but killing innocent babies is right.

### What can be done?

The National Federation of Republican Women (<https://www.nfrw.org/>) as well as our own Club (<http://ivcbrw.org/>) have embarked on the road to recovering our upside-down country. Our very own Yolanda Knaak now keeps us informed of legislation in Nevada. Our most able President Shirley Appel and First Vice President Cretia Eyster keep their steady hand on the ship's wheel. Kathryn Kelly of iSchools keeps everyone informed with postings on our website. Editor Susan Schnetz provides articles and timely information each month in the Elephant's Tale newsletter. And we can check in with the National Federation of Republican Women (<https://www.nfrw.org/>) and see what Republican women candidates are running or who have won their races. Lastly, “stay tuned” says former President Donald Trump – his new social media website will be rolling out soon!

There are conservative newspapers such as *The Epoch Times* (<https://www.theepochtimes.com>) that you can subscribe to very reasonably. This digital newspaper is sent right to your email! Here's some other conservative news outlets to explore:

*The Federalist* - <https://thefederalist.com>  
*Townhall* – <https://townhall.com>  
*RedState* – <https://redstate.com>

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## Upside-Down World!

Real Clear Politics -

<https://www.realclearpolitics.com>

Washington Times Examiner -

<https://www.washingtonexaminer.com>

So, don't be discouraged! Our National and Nevada State Republican Party ARE in capable hands and we will win back the House and Senate in 2022!

Article by Editor,

*Susan A. Schnetz*



*This cartoon was in the Chicago Tribune in 1934*

### **GOVERNMENT for the People or Against the People!**

60 years ago, Venezuela was 4th on the world economic freedom index. Today, they are 179th and their citizens are dying of starvation. In only 10 years, Venezuela was destroyed by democratic socialism. A socialist is basically a communist who doesn't have the power to take everything from their citizens at gunpoint ... Yet!



## Women in Military Service for America Memorial

The Women In Military Service For America Memorial, also known as Military Women's Memorial, is a memorial established by the U.S. federal government which honors women who have served in the United States Armed Forces.

The memorial is located at the western end of Memorial Avenue at the entrance to Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington County, Virginia, in the United States. The structure in which the memorial is housed was originally known as the Hemicycle, and built in 1932 to be a ceremonial entrance to the cemetery.

It never served this purpose, and was in disrepair by 1986. Congress approved the memorial in 1985, and the Hemicycle approved as the site for the memorial in 1988. An open design competition was won by New York City architects Marion Weiss and Michael Manfredi. Their original design was leaked to the public, and caused significant controversy. Two years of fund-raising and design revision followed. A revised preliminary design was approved in July 1992, and the final design in March 1995. Ground was broken for the memorial in June 1995, and the structure dedicated on October 18, 1997.





### The Only Flag that Doesn't Fly!

When you view these photos, remember to say a prayer for our service men and women.

This magnificent flower field is near Lompoc, California, west of Buellton, behind Point Concepcion, called the "Cape Horn of California" by mariners. The California Coast juts out into the Pacific Ocean and at this point geographically follows a southeast to northwest direction and is almost an equal distance between Santa Maria and Santa Barbara. Many years ago, this land was windswept and almost completely barren. Nothing was there except that the Southern Pacific Railroad that passed through on its way from Los Angeles and San Francisco. The Pacific Coast Highway 101 ran through Buellton, as it still does today.

Between the fields where the flag is planted, there are 9+ miles of flower fields that go all the way to the ocean. The flowers are grown by seed companies. It's a beautiful place, close to Vandenberg AFB. The dimensions of the flag: the Floral Flag is 740 feet long and 390 feet wide and maintains the proper Flag dimensions, as described in Executive Order #10834.

This flag is 6.65 acres and is the first Floral Flag to be planted with 5 pointed Stars, comprised of White Larkspur. Each Star is 24 feet in diameter, each Stripe is 30 feet wide. The flag is estimated to contain more than 400,000 larkspur plants with 4-5 flower stems each for a total of more than two million flowers.

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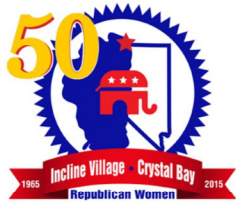
<https://goodmorninggloucester.com/2016/09/20/the-only-flag-that-doesnt-fly/> Article by Kim Smith.

### Poster Commemorating the 140th Flag Day on June 14, 1917

In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation that officially established June 14 as Flag Day; on August 3, 1949, National Flag Day was established by an Act of Congress. Flag Day is not an official federal holiday. However, on June 14,



1937, Pennsylvania became the first U.S. state to celebrate Flag Day as a state holiday, beginning in the town of Rennerdale. The idea to set aside a day to honor the national flag came from several sources. In 1885 Bernard J. Cigrand, a schoolteacher in Wisconsin, urged students to observe the day as "Flag Birthday." In 1888 William T. Kerr of Pennsylvania founded the American Flag Day Association. In 1861 in Hartford, Connecticut, organized the first formal celebration of the day.



### 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: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME as it appears on your NAMETAG: \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS(es): \_\_\_\_\_  
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PHYSICAL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone with Area Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday (Month, Day) \_\_\_\_\_

Email address (for roster and newsletter):  
\_\_\_\_\_

*Please print*

**MEMBERSHIP STATUS , PLEASE CHECK ONE:**

- Active \$50, 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  
*Primary Club Membership*

**CHECK AREAS OF INTEREST:**

- |  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art or Graphic Art Work | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising        | <input type="checkbox"/> Greeter at Meetings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Budget/Finance          | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership         | <input type="checkbox"/> Legislative         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bylaws                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity          | <input type="checkbox"/> Phone Committee     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Campaign Work           | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations   | <input type="checkbox"/> Email               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Service       | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Coordination | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter          |

**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: [ivcbrw.org](http://ivcbrw.org)*



**Father's Day is June 20th**

“Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old, they will not turn from it.” Proverbs 22:6.

In an article by Derrick Morgan published by The Heritage Foundation according to research, less than half of children grow up in a home with a father. For African Americans only 17 percent of families have a father present; a few generations ago it was 90 percent!

There are many reasons for fathers to be present in a family: the children are usually happier, do better in school, have fewer disciplinary problems, and are more successful and less likely to end up in poverty. This is especially true for boys.

In a book entitled *Bringing up Boys*, psychologist James Dobson vividly illustrates the consequences of fatherless homes. In an outreach ministry that visited a prison to help inmates send cards to their mothers on Mother's Day, Morgan described the success of the event with long lines of enthusiastic inmates. The ministry decided to do a similar event for Father's Day. When the day came, not a single inmate sought help to send his father a card.

It takes courage to assume the role of father. Even more courage to remain as a vital part of the family.

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**June Member Birthdays**



June Shafer ..... 24

Susan McNealy ..... 3  
Nancy Carlson ..... 5  
Renate Kern Collison..... 5  
Claire Price ..... 18  
Mary Horstery ..... 18  
Diane Becker-Heirshberg ..... 19



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