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

**Tuesday, March 8th, 2022**

at The Chateau, 955 Fairway Boulevard,  
Incline Village | 11:30 am – 1:00 pm

**J**oin us and meet

**JIM HINDLE**, the Vice-Chair of the Nevada Republican Party who will talk on **ELECTION INTEGRITY**. Jim is a former 3-term Chair of the Storey County Republican Party and Vice Chair of the Nevada Republican Rural Caucus prior to his State Party position.



Come and enjoy a St. Patrick's Day luncheon. Reservations and payment must be received by **Friday, March 4th** by 12 noon. For more information and reservations, please contact **Nancy Carlson** at 650-255-1435.

*Tickets are \$32 per person (no additional charge for credit card) and includes lunch. You can send a check to IVCB Republican Women's Club, PO Box 3009, Incline Village, NV 89450. A no-host bar is available. Advanced reservations are REQUIRED. Attendees without advance reservations will not be able to have lunch.*

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



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



There is a lot going on right now. We have been having a number of Candidates join our meetings to introduce themselves and meet with members before and after our meetings. Over the next few months, we will be have many more candidates join our meeting before the Primary on June 14th.

What's Happening



We will be have a Candidate Forum in April after the deadline for candidates to

register on March 18th. This Forum will be for our Local and Northern Nevada Regional Candidates. I am going to be sending out a SAVE THE DATE notice as soon as we know who has registered. I will get the same notice out to all our members before the registration date so you can plan to attend. Our April 12th event will be in the evening with times to be determined and will include an appetizer buffet and a no host bar. Several of us met at the Incline High School on Saturday morning, February 19th, to organize our Precinct District members. It was not a very good turnout, so I am hoping that more of you will contact Nancy Carlson about volunteering to help get out the vote in your area.

Our March speaker is **GOP Vice Chairman Jim Hindle**, and he will be talking about **Voter Integrity** which as we all know has been a huge issue for the past few elections. We will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day with a traditional St. Patrick's Day luncheon. Please don't forget that we had to raise our luncheon fee to \$32 – this is a flat fee whether you pay by "Square" or by check.

As of this writing you have all received an invitation to the Governor's Forum in Minden on May 14th. There are three clubs putting this on and IVCBRW is one of them. So far we have 9 of the 10 Candidates for Governor coming. We hope to get the last one soon.

This will be a free event and will not have any food or drink other than bottles of water. If you want to bring your own water, it must be in a covered top container. I hope we can have a good turnout. The meeting place is large although there is limited seating so if you would like to go, please contact me at [mrsradar@aol.com](mailto:mrsradar@aol.com) to RSVP. The Saturday afternoon May 14th event will end in time to go to dinner or get back home. Please bring your like-minded guests and remember to let me know if you are bringing a guest so they are counted.

We are still looking for someone to take over the Boutique. After Weesie Daniels moved, Linda Smith graciously took it over until we could find a permanent person. It really doesn't take much time or effort and is part of our fundraiser efforts for our Scholarship program. If you would like to help out, please let me know or contact Linda Smith, [lsmith2650@aol.com](mailto:lsmith2650@aol.com).

Before I close for this month, I would like to recognize a new member that joined at the end of January – Elizabeth O'Brien. Welcome to our club, Elizabeth! We also wish to thank all of the members that renewed since the beginning of the year. If you know of anyone that has not renewed yet, please ask them to contact Nancy Carlson at [nmcarlson01@yahoo.com](mailto:nmcarlson01@yahoo.com).

Happy St. Patty's Day to You All,

*Shirley Appel*



In my many years I have come to a conclusion that one useless man is a shame, two is a law firm, and three or more is a congress.

-- John Adams



*About our  
Speaker,  
JIM HINDLE*

**J**im Hindle is the Vice-Chair of the Nevada Republican Party and a Northern Nevada resident, who lives in historic Virginia City.

Jim is a former three term Chair of the Storey County Republican Party and former Vice Chair of the Nevada Republican Rural Caucus prior to election to his State Party position.

Jim got involved in party politics 10 years ago after wanting some issues addressed. He attended his local precinct meeting in 2012 and was immediately elected to the county convention. From that point became very involved in Nevada politics.

Jim had a 20-year career in the international Steel & Metals Industry followed by 20 years as an entrepreneur and small business owner.

Jim has an MBA from Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri, a BA from Lawrence University in

Appleton, Wisconsin, and is a member of the National Association of Parliamentarians.

### Theodore Roosevelt on Immigration

“In the first place, we should insist that if the immigrant who comes here in good faith becomes an American and assimilates himself to us, he shall be treated on an exact equality with everyone else, for it is an outrage to discriminate against any such man because of creed, or birthplace, or origin. But this is predicated upon the person's becoming in every facet an American, and nothing but an American... There can be no divided allegiance here. Any man who says he is an American, but something else also, isn't an American at all. We have room for but one flag, the American flag... We have room for but one language here, and that is the English language... and we have room for but one sole loyalty and that is a loyalty to the American people.”

<https://www.goodreads.com/quotes/tag/americanism>

INCLINE VILLAGE/CRYSTAL BAY REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB			
— 2022 Event Calendar —			
DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	RSVP DATE
March 8th	Luncheon with Jim Hindle Vice Chairman of Nevada GOP	The Chateau	Fri Mar 4th
April 12th	Regional and IVGID Candidates Night	The Chateau	Fri April 8th
May 10th	Luncheon with State Candidates /non Gubernatorial	The Chateau	Fri May 6th
MAY 16th	Afternoon Governor Candidate Forum	Valley Christain Center CC	ASAP
June 7th	Scholarship Luncheon/Open to all Candidates	The Chateau	Fri June 3rd
July 12th	Evening BBQ on the Golf Course at Home of Ellie Dobler	Home of Ellie Dobler	Fri July 8th
August 9th	Luncheon/Open to all Candidates	The Chateau	Fri Aug 5th
Sept 13th	Fashion Show and Silent Auction	The Chateau	Fri Sept 9th
Oct 11th	Luncheon/Open to all Candidates	The Chateau	Fri Oct 7th
Nov 15th	Victory Luncheon/Veterans Day	The Chateau	Fri Nov 11th
Dec 13th	Christmas Party and Officer's Installation	The Chateau	Fri Dec 9th



*Our Founding Fathers and those who wrote the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights were men of great courage and for 246 years these documents have been our safety net helping “We the People” to protect our country from tyranny. We published Part 1 of this message in our April issue – we continue with Part 2.*

## Let's Unmask America!

By Susan A. Schnetz

In a commentary on February 11, 2022 Congressman Troy Nehls (R-Texas) said, “The Deep State is alive and well in Washington D.C.” Less than a year into the Biden Administration, Congressman Nehls’ warning of Biden’s incompetent corrupt leadership is obvious. President Biden’s cognitive abilities are also being called into question which is alarming to Democrats. Fears of losing their power in the House, Senate and ultimately the White House, is the reason many COVID restrictions with masking and mandatory vaccination agendas are being lifted.

MSN recently reported that the United States economy was better with President Trump than President Biden. A recent article in the *Seattle Times* business section reported that Americans continue to face higher costs, reflected in sharp annual increases in the consumer price index going back to April of 2021. The July reading matched the year-over-year inflation rate of 5.4 percent in June, the largest annual jump since 2008. Inflation has hit us in our country and is the highest in nearly 50 years!

In July of 2021 according to Americans for Tax Reform (<https://www.ATR.org>) in the past 12 months:

- Gasoline increased by 45.1 percent
- Energy increased by 24.5 percent
- Bacon increased by 8.4 percent
- Fresh fish and seafood increased by 6.4 percent
- Fresh whole milk increased by 7.5 percent

- Fresh fruit increased by 8.4 percent
- Major appliances increased by 13.7 percent
- Furniture and bedding increased by 6.5 percent
- Airfares increased by 24.6 percent
- Commodities increased by 9 percent

Looking back at the Obama presidency when he vowed to “transform America,” most of us had no idea what was in store for our country. His statement that he promised to be a president for “all the people” was merely campaign propaganda. Obama quickly throttled the American Dream of being energy independent, including stopping the pipeline project in Alaska. This mindset continued under Biden when early in his presidency, he shut down the Keystone pipeline.

Despite Obama’s insistence that there was absolutely no corruption during his two terms in office – “not even a smidge,” he reported in an interview with Lesley Stahl of *60 Minutes* on October 24, 2020. We now know the fires of scandal and fierce anti-American policies were his administration’s “norms.”

In fact, it was hard for many of us to deal with the breadth of Obama’s scandals and harder to deal with the ongoing disastrous debacles of Candidate for President Hillary Clinton. When Candidate Donald Trump won the election in 2016, much to the dismay of Hillary Clinton, our country finally had a chance to recover from the ruinous policies of Barrack Obama.

The four-year presidency of Donald J. Trump was filled with hatred that was so severe he was impeached, and this ongoing hatred continues even today while he is out of office. However, Trump’s strong leadership abilities brought long overdue reforms to our energy policies. He rebuilt our military and encouraged businesses to return to America, increased homeland security by building 500 miles of The Wall to re-establish our country’s borders. His “people reforms” were numerous and he

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earned the respect of many Americans as a president who listened to the people. Lawlessness was curbed and



the march for law-and-order encouraged patriotic parades and celebrations of Americanism, which raised the hopes that America was

once again back to our constitutional beginnings!

When Joseph Biden became president in November of 2021, much of the progress that Trump initiated was stalled or changed. Indeed, recently Biden's dis-organized policy of sudden withdrawal of our forces in Afghanistan, was responsible for the death of 13 of our military service personnel. President Trump had planned a competent withdrawal of our military. When Biden went against Trump's plan and instead instituted a quick severe withdrawal, many in our government believed that his hatred of Trump was the reason against the organized withdrawal.

Before he was president and since then Biden showed his true intentions by not denouncing the terrorist tactics of Black Lives Matter and the violence of Antifa. And recently this year Biden was quick to declare war on our military leaders as well installing liberal--minded generals in strategic positions and demanded a rewrite of military war and engage manuals. Now in these early days of 2022, Biden's failed foreign policies have led to the aggressive behaviors of Russia, China, North Korea and Iran.

Despite President Biden's declaration of being a president who is not a racist, legislation reveals his bias. He quoted the "N" word 13 times during a 1985 hearing. And despite the long history of Joe Biden in the Congress and Senate, he failed to produce legislation that furthered Martin Luther King's American Dream of racial equality. Indeed, Joe Biden's bias towards Black Americans is notorious. Biden zealously supported racial segregation in 1975, voted against the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and 1968, as well as the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

This administration is engaged in a war against our representative republic and is trying to silence those

who protest their constitutional rights of free speech. How can we win this war against the liberal tactics of Democrats and end the anti-American



agenda of socialism and win the war waged against our liberties?

Given **Voter Integrity**,

Republicans are well on their way to take the reins of leadership in the U.S. House of Representatives in 2022 and in 2024, the Congress and the Presidency once again.

### RONALD REAGAN on Government

"Government is like a baby: An alimentary canal with a big appetite at one end and no sense of responsibility at the other."

"The most terrifying words in the English language are: I'm from the government and I'm here to help."



### APRIL 12, 2022

To all members and their guests. We will be having a Local and Regional Candidates night at the Chateau. As we get closer I will give you the time and fee for the event. We will be having a appetizer buffet and a no-host bar. We hope to have a big turnout as far as the Candidates are concerned. The deadline for them to register as a Candidate is March 18th, so I will hope to get the list and invitations out to our Candidates before the end of March.- - Please plan to RSVP as soon as possible to Nancy Carlson, [nmcarlson01@yahoo.com](mailto:nmcarlson01@yahoo.com), if you plan to attend. We will send out a flyer as we get closer to the date.



 **MEMBERSHIP**



By Nancy Carlson,  
*Membership Chair*

**W**e are well into the start of 2022!  
A warm welcome to our new full and associate members for Q1 2022!

New members: Cheryl Anderson (full), Donna Bain (full), Jay Dixon (associate), Laura Dolan (full), Sandra Donovan (full), Denise Geist (full), Nicole Herris (associate), Tracey Newell (full), Elizabeth O'Brien (full), Kimberly Siegel (full), Dana Watson (full), William Watson (associate), Ann Marie Williams (full).

We would like to expand our reach and our membership in 2022! If you have conservative friends who are registered Republicans, please invite them to one of our meetings. If you have friends who are interested in membership please contact me.

Activities: A number of members have expressed interest in activities outside of the scheduled monthly luncheon and speaker meetings. If you are interested in having our club start a book club, periodic cocktail or breakfast/lunch meetings on the weekends, a shooting group, a hiking group, a kayaking group – please let me know. Our focus doesn't have to be on politics – just socialization and fun activities with like-minded folks.

The Washoe GOP and Central Committee: The Washoe Republican Party's website and mission is <https://www.washoegop.org/> – **“Keep Washoe County Red.”** The Central Committee is the governing body of the Washoe County Republican Party which guides the direction of our local, state and national Republican Party.

The Central Committee:

- Elects party officers
- Elects state party members and state convention delegates
- Controls the party bylaws
- Is the voting body for all party business

Several of us have recently joined the Central Committee, and there are a number of additional openings for representatives from Incline Village. If you are interested in working with us on this group, please let me know.

**Your party needs you! We need to take Nevada back!**

**Excerpts from a speech by former President John F. Kennedy should inspire today's Democrats to enact reforms!**

**“From time to time our national history has been marred by forgetfulness of the Jeffersonian principle that restraint is at the heart of liberty.** In 1789 the Federalists adopted Alien and Sedition Acts in a shabby political effort to isolate the Republic from the world and to punish political criticism as seditious libel. . . . Spokesmen for the South did service for the Nation in resisting the petty tyranny of distrustful vengeance. In the 1920s the Attorney General of the United States degraded his office by hunting political radicals as if they were Salem witches. The Nation's only gain from his efforts were the classic dissents of Holmes and Brandeis.

“In our own times, the old blunt instruments have again been put to work. The States have followed in the footsteps of the Federalists and have put Alien and Sedition Acts upon their statute books. An epidemic of loyalty oaths has spread across the Nation until no town or village seems to feel secure until its servants have purged themselves of all suspicion of non-conformity by swearing to their political cleanliness.

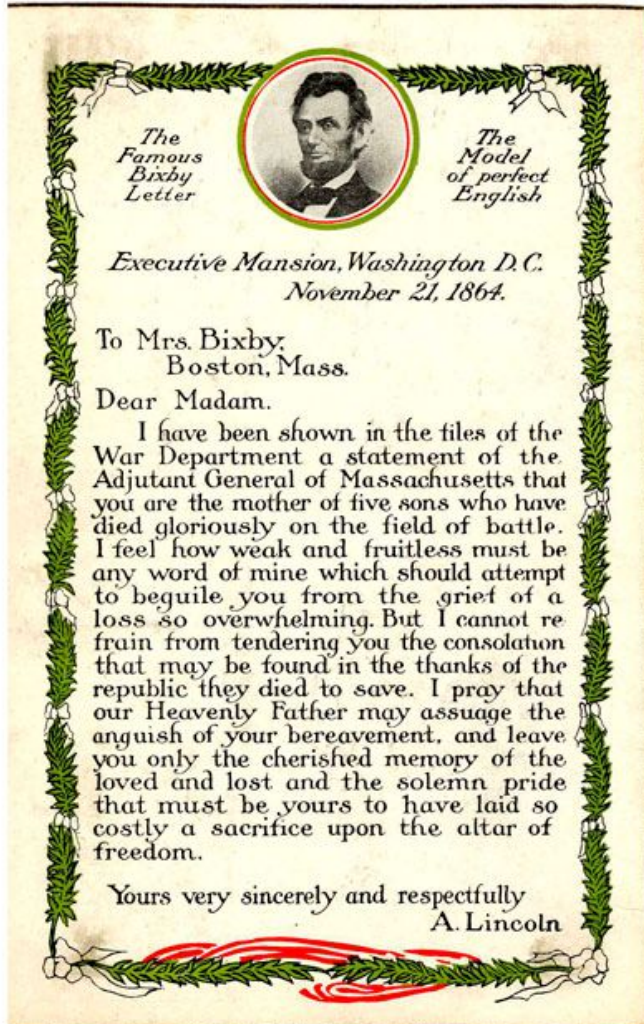
We have also seen a sharpening and refinement of abusive power. The legislative investigation, designed and often exercised for the achievement of high ends, has too frequently been used by the Nation and the States as a means for effecting the disgrace and degradation of private persons.

**“The architects of fear have converted a wholesome law against conspiracy into an instrument for making association a crime. Pretending to fear government, they have asked government to outlaw private protest. They glorify ‘togetherness’ when it is theirs, and call it conspiracy when it is that of others.”**

Source: <https://www.goodreads.com/quotes/tag/association>, edited and condensed for inclusion in *The Elephant's Tale*.



## President Abraham Lincoln's Letter to Mrs. Bixby



**T**he Bixby letter is a brief, consoling message sent by President Abraham Lincoln in November 1864 to Lydia Parker Bixby, a widow living in Boston, Massachusetts, who was thought to have lost five sons in the Union Army during the American Civil War. *Along with the Gettysburg Address and his second inaugural address, the letter has been praised as one of Lincoln's finest written works and is often reproduced in memorials, media, and print.*

However, controversy surrounds the recipient, the fate of her sons, and the authorship of the letter. Bixby's character has been questioned (including rumored Confederate sympathies), at least two of her

sons survived the war, and the letter may have been written by Lincoln's assistant private secretary, John Hay.

President Lincoln's letter of condolence was delivered to Lydia Bixby on November 25, 1864, and was printed in the *Boston Evening Transcript* and *Boston Evening Traveller* that afternoon.

Lydia Parker married shoemaker Cromwell Bixby on September 26, 1826, in Hopkinton, Massachusetts. The couple had at least six sons and three daughters before Cromwell's death in 1854. Some time before the Civil War, Bixby and her family settled in Boston.

### Military Record of the Bixby Sons

Nevertheless, at least two of Lydia Bixby's sons survived the war:

- ◆ Private Arthur Edward Bixby (known as "Edward") – Company C, 1st Massachusetts Heavy Artillery (enlisted June 24, 1861). Deserted from Ft. Richardson, Virginia on May 28, 1862. Trying to secure a discharge for him, his mother filed an affidavit on October 17, 1862 which claimed Edward had enlisted underage without her permission. Born July 13, 1843 in Hopkinton, Massachusetts. Returned to Boston after the war.
- ◆ Sergeant Charles N. Bixby – Company D, 20th Massachusetts Infantry (served July 18, 1861 – May 3, 1863). Killed in action near Fredericksburg. Born c.1841 in Hopkinton, Massachusetts.
- ◆ Corporal Henry Cromwell Bixby – 1st enlistment, Company G, 20th Massachusetts Infantry (served July 18, 1861 – May 29, 1862). 2nd enlistment, Company K, 32nd Massachusetts

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## President Abraham Lincoln's Letter to Mrs. Bixby

Infantry (served August 5, 1862 – December 17, 1864). Captured at Gettysburg and sent to Richmond, Virginia. Paroled on March 7, 1864 at City Point, Virginia. Born March 30, 1830 in Hopkinton, Massachusetts. Died November 8, 1871 in Milford, Massachusetts, from tuberculosis he contracted while a soldier.

- ◆ Private Oliver Cromwell Bixby, Jr. – Company E, 58th Massachusetts Infantry (served February 26, 1864 – July 30, 1864). Wounded at Spotsylvania on May 12, 1864. Killed in action near Petersburg, Virginia. Born February 1, 1828 in Hopkinton, Massachusetts.
- ◆ Private George Way Bixby – Company B, 56th Massachusetts Infantry (served March 16, 1864 – ?). Enlisted under the name “George Way,” apparently to conceal his enlistment from his wife. Captured at Petersburg on July 30, 1864. First held prisoner at Richmond but later transferred to Salisbury Prison in North Carolina, arriving there on October 9, 1864. His fate after that remains uncertain. Military records report conflicting accounts of him either dying at Salisbury or deserting to the Confederate Army. Born June 22, 1836 in Hopkinton, Massachusetts.
- ◆ Schouler's report to the War Department erroneously listed Edward as a member of the 22nd Massachusetts Infantry who had died of his wounds at Folly Island, South Carolina. Bixby may have been trying to conceal—possibly from embarrassment or hope of further financial aid—Edward's 1862 desertion. (She had been receiving a pension following Charles's death in 1863.
- ◆ At the time of her September meeting with Schouler, Bixby's son George had been a prisoner of war for just over a month, and Henry was still hospitalized following his exchange. The War Department failed to use its own records to correct errors in the Schouler report.

### Authorship of Bixby Letter

Scholars have debated whether the Bixby letter was written by Lincoln himself or by his assistant private secretary, John Hay. Second- and third-hand recollections of acquaintances suggest Hay may have claimed to others that he wrote it, but his children could not recall him ever mentioning composing the letter. In a 1917 letter to historian Isaac Markens, Robert Todd Lincoln said Hay had told him that he did not have “any special knowledge of the letter at the time” it was written.

Historian Michael Burlingame, who believes Hay is the author, has pointed out that Hay's scrapbooks have two newspaper clippings of the letter while largely containing Hay's own writing. However, they also contain material written by Lincoln including the Gettysburg Address and the Second Inaugural.

Scholars favoring Lincoln's authorship, including Edward Steers and Jason Emerson, note that the Gettysburg Address and the Farewell Address are similar examples of Lincoln's highly regarded style. In 1988, at the request of investigator Joe Nickell, University of Kentucky professor of English Jean G. Pival studied the vocabulary, syntax, and other stylistic characteristics of the letter and concluded that it more closely resembled Lincoln's style of writing than Hay's.

*Source: Wikipedia.*



Noteable:  
Abraham Lincoln  
(February 12,  
1809 – April 15,  
1865) was an

American lawyer and statesman who served as the 16th president of the United States from 1861 until his assassination in 1865. Lincoln led the nation through the American Civil War and succeeded in preserving the Union, abolishing slavery, bolstering the federal government, and modernizing the U.S. economy.





### 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:**

- |  |   |  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Art or Graphic Art Work | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising        | <input type="checkbox"/> Greeter at Meetings |
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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: [ivcbrw.org](http://ivcbrw.org)*



## Incline Village-Crystal Bay Republican Women Vision and Mission Statement

**Vision:** To support individual freedom and responsibility under the Constitution of the United States and the Declaration of Independence by making Nevada a Red state again and keeping it that way.

**Mission:** To promote the principles and philosophy of the Republican Party at the local, state, and federal levels by taking action to:

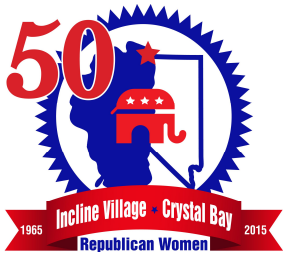
- Support the election of conservative Republican candidates.
- Educate club members and local voters.
- Communicate with local, state and federal legislative bodies to enact constitutional, conservative legislation.
- Collaborate with Nevada Republican Women’s clubs to leverage best practices to improve club effectiveness.
- Promote Republican and conservative values through social media, print media, and community participation.
- Effect change in our schools to support conservative and constitutional values.
- Protect the integrity of local, state, and federal elections.

May your Troubles be less and your Blessings be more and nothing but Happiness come through your door.



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