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**Incline Village-Crystal Bay  
Republican Women**  
*invite you to an Evening with*  
**GORDON CHANG**



**August 30, 2022**



Come spend an evening with internationally-recognized China expert and Fox News Commentator **GORDON CHANG**. He will speak on **“China Shakes the World: A Revolutionary Remaking of the International Order.”**

**Where:** 955 Fairway Blvd, Incline Village, NV 89451

**Dress:** Cocktail Attire

**Time:** 5 to 9 pm

**Capacity:** 200 people – register early!

**Cost:** Dinner and no-host bar – \$125 per person (\$100 for Military, retired Military. Contact Nancy Carlson for discount)

**RSVP:** See link below: [www.ivcbrw.org](http://www.ivcbrw.org). **“Important Links,”** Nancy Carlson (650) 255-1435. Purchase tickets by **AUGUST 26 at 12:00 pm.**

RSVP to <https://incline-village-crystal-bay-republican-women.square.site/>



### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



As I start out this month's message, I would like to thank all of you that have helped out so much at our events and gatherings so far this year. You have definitely made my job easier.

Because the July newsletter was done before our July festivities, I would like to recap some of them. You will also see some of the pictures that were taken. On July 1st some of us gathered at Kathi Congistre's home to decorate our parade float and have a pot luck dinner. We had a nice time socializing and decorating. On the morning of July 2nd we went to the Pancake Breakfast at the firehouse and then met to get on our float for the parade. Some of our talented ladies that rode on the float lead us in song – they sang "God Bless America" all the way through the parade. We got many cheers from the crowd. Following the parade we gathered on the Village Green for a community fair. We had our boutique and voter registration booth for 2 hours. Everyone had a nice



Members gathered at the Village Green tent (from left to right): Celine Nugent, Linda Smith, Shirley Appel, Joanelen Slocumb, Susa Calfa, Connie Skidmore, Donna Kwachak, and Jane Barnhart



Bartender Paul Smith at our Annual BBQ in July this year.

time. Also we had our annual BBQ in July on the golf course at the home of Cliff and Ellie Dobler. Phil and his crew from Carson City BBQ prepared a wonderful BBQ dinner for us of ribs and chicken with all the fixing's. We had several political

candidates and the representatives from both Joe Lombardo and Adam Laxalt at the dinner. Our speaker was Beau Hamilton who spoke about *Election Integrity* and what went wrong with our primary. As you can see we had a busy July.

We are taking a little breather at the first of August until our event on August 30th, which will be our "Evening with Gordon Chang." This should be a wonderful evening with good food, socializing and a great education on what is going on with China. As you know Mr. Chang is an internationally-recognized expert on the subject of China. (See the flyer on page 1 of this newsletter as to how to RSVP and pay). Because we are limited as to the number of people we can have, I would advise you to make your reservations early. It will be at the Chateau and it will be cocktail attire, so ladies get out your little black dresses. August is always filled with so many fun events in and around our area, so get out and enjoy some of them.

September will also be packed with events such as our Annual Fashion Show – this year's theme is "Fun With Fashion." There will also be a wonderful Silent Auction packed with many

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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

goodies. Please remember that this is our fundraiser of the year which will help one or more of our community high school seniors with a college scholarship. This is always a popular event and makes money for scholarships and some of our local charities. Our models are club members and the fashions come from Boutique Elegante in Reno. The fashion show will be held at the Chateau from 11:30 to 3:00 on September 13th. Lunch is included in the price of the ticket. (See the flyer for ticket in this newsletter and payment information.)

We will be having another event on Sunday, September 18th. We have reserved the BBQ area at Burnt Cedar Beach with Bruce Parks, Chairman of the Washoe County GOP. This will be a “potluck” and the cost is only \$10. The \$10 is to defray the cost of reserving the area for this meeting. Please see the flyer in this newsletter regarding RSVP and how to pay and also let us know what you will bring.

I hope all of you are having a great summer and are getting out and enjoying this beautiful place we call home. I hope to see many of you at our coming events.

*Shirley Appel*

**“LOOKING AT THE GROCERY RECEIPT”  
OIL ON CANVAS, 2022**



*About our Speaker,*  
**GORDON CHANG**



*Gordon Chang is a world expert on China.*

**Gordon Guthrie Chang** was born July 5, 1951 in New Jersey to a Chinese father and an American mother of Scottish ancestry. His father is from Rugao, Jiangsu, China.

Chang is a columnist, author, and lawyer. He is the author of *The Great U.S.-China Tech War and Losing South Korea* booklets released by Encounter Books. His previous books are *Nuclear Showdown: North Korea Takes On the World* and *The Coming Collapse of China*, both from Random House.

Chang lived and worked in Mainland China and Hong Kong for almost two decades, most recently in Shanghai, as counsel to the international American law firm Paul Weiss and earlier in Hong Kong as Partner in the US international law firm Baker & McKenzie. Chang has been elected twice as a trustee of Cornell University.

Chang graduated from Columbia High School in Maplewood, New Jersey in 1969 and served as class president in his senior year. Four years later, he graduated from Cornell University where he was a columnist for *The Cornell Daily Sun* and a member of the Quill and Dagger society. In 1976, Chang graduated with a Juris Doctor degree from the Cornell Law School.

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## GORDON CHANG

His writings on China and Korea have appeared in *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The National Interest*, *The American Conservative*, *Commentary*, *National Review*, *Barron's*, and *The Daily Beast*. He is a columnist at *Newsweek* and writes regularly for *The Hill*.

Chang has appeared on CNN, Fox News Channel, Fox Business Network, Newsmax, CNBC, MSNBC, PBS, the BBC, and Bloomberg Television. He is a regular co-host and guest on CBS Eye on the World with John Batchelor.

Gordon Chang has given briefings at the National Intelligence Council, the Central Intelligence Agency, the US State Department, and the US Department of Defense, and he has testified before the United States House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

### The Night My Wife Became an American

by Gordon R. Chang

Lydia, my wife, was born in Hong Kong and became a U.S. citizen a few years after we moved to New Jersey. Yet she really became an American in the late hours of September 12, 2001.

I had given a speech in Chicago on the evening of the 10th, discussing, among other things, China's support for terrorism. We stayed the night in that city, and

planned to fly out the next day. The following morning I was on the phone with a CNN producer who suddenly said, "Something's just happened; I've got to go." We turned on the television and watched the towers fall.

We could not leave Chicago that day, but we rented a car at O'Hare on the 12th at noon and began a 14-hour drive back home.

The trip through the cities of Illinois, the flat ground of Indiana, and the northern part of Ohio was uneventful. But somewhere in the hills of western Pennsylvania, in the dark, we saw a convoy of four or five emergency vehicles from Chicago, American flags flying, pass us as they sped to Ground Zero.

Lydia waved to them – and they waved back.

She would not become a citizen for another three years, at the Federal Court House in Newark, but it was that night, September 12, as she watched the nation draw together, as cities like Chicago sent their finest men and women to New York, that she became an American.

Source: <https://www.forbes.com/sites/gordonchang/2011/09/11/the-night-my-wife-became-an-american/?sh=742d2d24271c>

#### HERE ARE SOME RELIABLE NEWS SOURCES FROM MEMBER CELINE NUGENT:

<https://citizenfreepress.com/>

<https://www.breitbart.com/>

<https://justthenews.com/>

Telegram: We the Ultra Media, Patel Patriot, Covid Truth Network, Truth Social

INCLINE VILLAGE/CRYSTAL BAY REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB			
DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	RSVP DATE
August 30th	An Evening with Gordon Chang	The Chateau	Fri Aug 26th
Sept 13th	Fashion Show and Silent Auction	The Chateau	Fri Sept 9th
Sept 18th	Beach Potluck	Burnt Cedar Beach	Fri Sept 16
Oct 11th	Luncheon/Forum Open to all Candidates	The Chateau	Fri Oct 7th
Nov 15th	Victory Luncheon/Vets Day	The Chateau	Fri Nov 11th
Dec 13th	Christmas Party and Officer's Installation	The Chateau	Fri Dec 9th



A 2021 Gallup Poll found nearly 75 percent of Americans identify with a specific religious faith, including 69 percent who identify as Christians. This percentage has declined from 90 percent who identified as Christians in 1971, some 50 years ago. Today there are 230-250 million Christians in the United States. The following commentary outlines a defense of religion in America including Christian Nationalism that is experiencing extreme “woking” by leftist Liberals.



Unfortunately, corruption still thrives in today's America. It is up to each generation to combat it!

## Speak Out Against Liberals Further Dividing America

Commentary by Susan A. Schnetz



Recently a friend forwarded an article for me to read entitled “Christian Nationalism Drove These People Out of Their Churches.”\* My liberal friend is a thoughtful person sincerely wanting others including me to see that discussing national news and controversies should not be discussed in America’s churches. He asked that I give it a read and let him know my opinion and thoughts about it.

As I read about the exiting churchgoers, they had a common criticism to not have any discussion of political national importance in sermons. Indeed, they objected to hearing anything about American Exceptionalism or Christian Nationalism (see Notables at the end of this article) from the pulpit. In my opinion sent to my friend, I said the writer only covered the liberal political view of problems and should have included the polarization of Right/Left politics.

\*<https://www.vice.com/en/article/v7vew9/christian-nationalism-churches>

I thought about the early American churches and how many in the pulpit spoke out about the political controversies of their day. Many of the Founding Fathers who wrote or signed *The United States Constitution* and gave allegiance to *The Bill of Rights* were deists. In their writings they often encouraged their fellow citizens to keep America strong by speaking out against dangerous and subversive political ideologies. In fact, Thomas Jefferson pointed out, a democracy is not established once for all time. ***Each generation must recommit itself to renewing its institutions and affirming its principles, to defending the hard-won victories of the past against the threats in the present.***

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## Liberals Further Dividing America

A study of our country's history reveals that through these 246 years we've experienced some horrendous events including civil and world wars, political and religious wars, criminal activity and scandals, poor reforms and destructive legislation, corrupt religious and political leaders.

Dangerous movements come and go in America. Presently we are experiencing Black Theology, QANON, Black Lives Matter (BLM) and Antifa. Conservatives are also battling destructive anti-American public education policies as well as a radical rewrite of our country's history and cult-like teachings in some of America's churches. As pointed out in the article my friend sent to me, the writer interviewed several churchgoers who left their church when they thought Biblical teaching was overwhelmed by political viewpoints.

Liberals were recently alarmed by a report from the Baptist Joint Commission and the Freedom From Religion Foundation that the January 6th so-called "insurrection" is part of a broader "White" Christian Nationalism movement that sees itself as reclaiming the country. Behind all this diatribe is an insidious bent by Marxist and Socialists Democrats to pit one race and ideology against another and condemn and silence free speech. That said, many on the Left continue to misrepresent and slander Christian Nationalism with their propaganda and liken it to the Ku Klux Klan and White Supremacy. Another lie liberals promote is that CN is really White Terrorism aimed at African Americans and insist that Nationalists are also against Jews, are anti-Catholic, anti-immigrant, and are racists and Nazi's.

Listen to what some of our past and present leaders said about protected rights and liberties according to our wonderful still-intact US Constitution!

"The ordaining of laws in favor of one part of the nation, to the prejudice and oppression of another, is certainly the most erroneous and mistaken policy. An equal dispensation of protection, rights, privileges, and advantages, is what every part is

entitled to, and ought to enjoy."

—Benjamin Franklin (1774)

"A wise and frugal government ... shall restrain men from injuring one another, shall leave them otherwise free to regulate their own pursuits of industry and improvement, and shall not take from the mouth of labor the bread it has earned. This is the sum of good government."

—Thomas Jefferson (1801)

"We should be unfaithful to ourselves if we should ever lose sight of the danger to our liberties if anything partial or extraneous should infect the purity of our free, fair, virtuous, and independent elections." —John Adams (1797)

On March 20, 1981, at the Conservative Political Action Conference Dinner, Mayflower Hotel, Washington, DC, Ronald Reagan stated: "Evil is powerless if the good is unafraid. That's why the Marxist [Socialist] vision of man without God must eventually be seen as an empty and a false faith — the second oldest in the world — first proclaimed in the Garden of Eden with whispered words... 'Ye shall be as gods.' The crisis of the Western world ... exists to the degree in which it is indifferent to God."



### Noteables:

Recently a Georgia Republican Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene and other conservatives have called on Americans to embrace **Christian Nationalism**. In remarks to the conservative *Turning Point USA Student Action Summit* in Florida, Greene argued that Christian Nationalism is "a good thing." She continued, "That's not a bad word . . . There's nothing wrong with leading with your faith . . . If we do not live our lives and vote like we are Nationalists – caring about our country, and putting our country first and wanting that to be the focus of our federal government – if we do not lead that way, then we will not be able to fix it." *Quote from <https://www.newsweek.com/christian-nationalism-history-us-marjorie-taylor-greene-1729187>*.

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## Liberals Further Dividing America

**American Exceptionalism** is one of three related ideas. The first is that the history of the United States is inherently different from those of other nations. In this view, American Exceptionalism stems from its emergence from the American Revolution, thereby becoming what political scientist Seymour Martin Lipset called “the first new nation” and developing a uniquely American ideology, “Americanism,” based on liberty, egalitarianism, individualism, republicanism, democracy and laissez-faire economics. This ideology itself is often referred to as “American Exceptionalism.” Second is the idea that the United States has a unique mission to transform the world. As Abraham Lincoln stated in the Gettysburg address, Americans have a duty to ensure, “government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.” Third is the sense that the United States' history and mission give it a superiority over other nations.

Source: [en.wikipedia.org](https://en.wikipedia.org)

## Concerned about radical news articles

... like the one my friend sent to me? Read on ...

**A**t the end of this very biased opinion article, “Christian Nationalism Drove These People Out of Their Churches,” the author says: “Politics and culture wars have crept into pulpits and pews across the U.S. in recent years. It’s not just the Evangelical church, whose ties to the GOP have been the target of heavy scrutiny for decades. It’s churches and parishes across denominations, state lines, and socioeconomic status. Christians from around the country who spoke to VICE News said they’ve witnessed their congregations lose focus and slide into Christian Nationalism. **Do you have information or tips about churches or pastors that have become radicalized by Christian Nationalism? We’d love to hear from you.**”

The author then gives her contact information and how to send the requested information to VICE NEWS.

**Editor’s Note:** At the first read I didn’t notice the endnote by the author. This report from VICE News is a deliberate attempt to woke Christian Nationalism as an Anti-American subversive force.

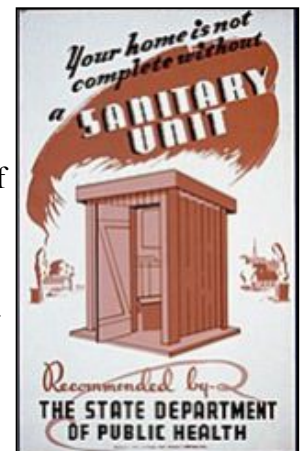
## AMERICANISM

### A SENIOR CITIZEN’S REVIEW

The typical U.S. household headed by a person aged 65 or older has a net worth 47 times greater than a household headed by someone under 35, according to a recent analysis of census data.

They like to refer to us as senior citizens, old fogies, geezers, and in some cases dinosaurs. Some of us are “Baby Boomers” getting ready to retire. Others have been retired for some time. We walk a little slower these days, and our eyes and hearing are not what they once were. We worked hard, raised our children, worshiped our God, and have grown old together. Yes, we are the ones some refer to as being “over the hill,” and that is probably true. But before writing us off completely, there are a few things that need to be taken into consideration.

In school we studied English, history, math, and science, which enabled us to lead America into the technological age. Most of us remember what outhouses were, many of us with firsthand experience. We remember the days of telephone party-lines, 25 cent gasoline, and milk and ice



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## AMERICANISM

being delivered to our homes. For those of you who don't know what an icebox is, today they are electric and referred to as refrigerators. A few even remember when cars were started with a crank. Yes, we lived those days.

We are probably considered old-fashioned and outdated by many. But there are a few things you need to remember before completely writing us off. We won World War II, fought in Korea and Viet Nam. We can quote *The Pledge of Allegiance* and know where to place our hand while doing so. We wore the uniform of our country with pride and lost many friends on the battlefield. We didn't fight for the Socialist States of America; we fought for the "Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave." We wore different uniforms but carried the same flag.

We know the words to the "Star Spangled Banner," "America," and "America the Beautiful" by heart, and you may even see some tears running down our cheeks as we sing. We have lived what many of you have only read in history books, and we feel no obligation to apologize to anyone for America.

Yes, we are old and slow these days but rest assured, we have at least one good fight left in us. We have loved this country, fought for it, and died for it, and now we are going to save it. It is our country, and nobody is going to take it away from us. We took oaths to defend America against all enemies, foreign and domestic, and that is an oath we plan to keep. There are those who want to destroy this land we love but, like our founders, there is no way we are going to remain silent.

It was mostly the young people of this nation who elected Obama, and now Biden, and the Democratic

Congress. You fell for the "Hope and Change," which in reality was nothing but "Hype and Lies." You youngsters have tasted socialism and seen evil face to face and have found you don't like it after all. You make a lot of noise, but most are all too interested in their careers or "Climbing the Social Ladder" to be involved in such mundane things as patriotism and voting.

Many of those who fell for the "Great Lie" in 2008 and 2020 are now having buyer's remorse. With all the education we gave you, you didn't have sense enough to see through the lies and instead drank the 'Kool-Aid.' Now you're paying the price and complaining about it; no jobs, lost mortgages, higher gasoline prices, higher taxes, inflation, shortages, and

less freedom. This is what you voted for, and this is what you got. We entrusted you with the Torch of Liberty, and you traded it for a paycheck and a new favorite car.

Well, don't worry youngsters, the Grey-Haired Brigade is here, and in the mid-term 2022 and in 2024 elections, we are going to take back our nation. We may drive a little slower now, but we get where we're going, and in 2022 and 2024 we're going to the

polls by the millions!

This land does not belong to the man or woman in the White House, nor to the likes of Nancy Pelosi, Chuck Schumer or Adam Schiff. It belongs to "We the People," and "We the People" plan to reclaim our land and our freedom.

So we hope this time you will do a better job of preserving it and passing it along to our grandchildren. And the next time you have the chance to say the *Pledge of Allegiance*, stand up, put your hand over your heart, honor our country, and thank God for the old geezers of the "Gray-Haired Brigade."

Can you feel the ground shaking? It's not an earthquake, it is a STAMPEDE! You and I are Members.







*You're invited to*

## FUN with FASHION

*A community fundraiser to provide scholarships for  
Incline Village-Crystal Bay High School seniors*

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**Tuesday, September 13, 2022**

**The Chateau, 955 Fairway Blvd | 11:30am - 3:00pm**

**D**on't miss this  
scholarship fundraising  
opportunity! Tahoe  
ladies will be modeling  
fabulous fashions from  
**Boutique Elegante, Reno.**



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\$75 includes Lunch and Show | No Host Bar | Auction  
Tickets must be purchased in advance, call (650) 255-1435.  
Purchase online at [www.ivcbrw.org](http://www.ivcbrw.org), "important events" or  
at the Potlatch in Raley's Shopping Center



## SAVE THE DATE!

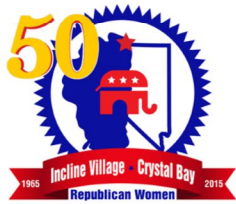


### Sunset Potluck at Burnt Cedar Beach

**Special Guest: Bruce Parks, Chair of the Washoe GOP**

We have reserved the "Center BBQ Area" with 8-10 tables (no BBQs allowed due to fire risk)

- Date:** September 18, 2022, 3:00pm – 8:00pm
- Event:** **POTLUCK AT THE BEACH** Bring a dish to share, enjoy the beach and the sunset!  
BYOB – no glass allowed, cans or plastic containers only
- Location:** Burnt Cedar Beach, Center BBQ area (no BBQs or fires allowed)
- Cost:** \$10 per person (to cover group reservation fee), IVGID I.D. cards required
- RSVP:** Call Nancy Carlson at (650) 255-1435 or [nmcarlson01@yahoo.com](mailto:nmcarlson01@yahoo.com). Let me know what dish you plan to bring (appetizer, salad, entrée, dessert). Purchase tickets at: [www.IVCBRW.org](http://www.IVCBRW.org), "Important Links"



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

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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)*



**August Member Birthdays**

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Dolly Lee .....	26
Jill Mingle .....	26
Pamela Black .....	27
Gail Arnold-Kowallis .....	28
Katie Cohn .....	28
Susan Calfa .....	30
Nancy Manter .....	30

**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.



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