



# THE NEWSLETTER

of the SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN

## A Message from our President

By Niru Vangala



**Dear Friends,**

Here it is almost the last quarter of the year and time for us all to take the pulse and measure our progress in achieving our goals. We are in the business of empowering our community with education and awareness for a better

government. Congratulations are in order to each and every member of our County for their dedication to our current issues and spreading the word in our communities. Without each member's support and achievement we cannot realize our overall mission.

We have to take control of our destiny. We as Republican Women have to motivate, educate and spread our Republican values and issues. Let us all adopt the the 3 Ps, Persistence, Patience and Perseverance. The 3 Ps form a sacred trinity which will lead us to achievement, accomplishment and bring Republicans back into driver's seat.

Always remember we are the Republican Women; we have the power to make a difference in our world for the future of our children.

**With Warm Regards,  
Niru**

**The New Colossus**

*Not like the brazen giant of Greek fame,  
With conquering limbs astride from land to land;  
Here at our sea-washed, sunset gates shall stand  
A mighty woman with a torch, whose flame  
Is the imprisoned lightning, and her name  
Mother of Exiles. From her beacon-hand  
Glows world-wide welcome; her mild eyes command  
The air-bridged harbor that twin cities frame.  
"Keep, ancient lands, your storied pomp!" cries she  
With silent lips. "Give me your tired, your poor,  
Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,  
The wretched refuse of your teeming shore.  
Send these, the homeless, tempest-tossed to me,  
I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"*

**~Dedicated October 28, 1886**



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## *From Our Editor . . .*

Last October my 7-year-old nephew and my 9-year-old niece were riding home with me after a trip to the mall to see a movie. They mentioned that the next day was a school holiday. I asked if they knew what was being celebrated. Both shrugged in ignorance.

“You’ve never heard, ‘In 1492 Columbus sailed the ocean blue’?” I asked. “What is ‘Columbus?’” the older one queried. “The Nina, the Pinta, the Santa Maria?” I replied. Neither had a clue.

This October we also celebrate the 123rd anniversary of the dedication of the Statute of Liberty at Ellis Island. To some, Ellis Island has become as much a symbol of “political incorrectness” as Christopher Columbus.

We have allowed the Democrats to define us as “Politically Incorrect,” suggesting that we are “bigots,” “insensitive” to the needs of poor and the abused, and worse. Who would know it was the Republican Party that stood against the Democratic Party to abolish slavery, to protect free speech, and to give women the right to vote. We should be proud of our history and all that we have accomplished. And we must stand by our core values if we hope to see our party flourish long into the future. Those values are not something for which we should be ashamed or owe an apology, but rather we should embrace them, as they are values supported by a majority of Americans. Standing up for those values is NOT politically incorrect. It is the right thing to do.

This is my last issue as Editor. I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support and kind words. It has been a lot of fun but all good things must come to an end. I wish my successor lots of luck and hope that he or she receives as much enjoyment and satisfaction from the job as I have.

—Sharon Gilbert, Editor  
High Desert Republican Women Federated

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## *Who’s Got Your Back?*

Well, behind every great leader, at the base of every great tale of success, you will find an indispensable circle of trusted advisers, mentors and colleagues. These groups come in all forms and sizes, and can be found at every level and in nearly all spheres of both professional and personal life.

In order to build these all-important lifeline relationships, there are four core mindsets that can be learned and practiced. They are:

### **Generosity**

This is the base from which all the other behaviors arise. This is the commitment to mutual support that begins with the willingness to show up and creatively share our deepest insights and ideas with the world. It’s the promise to help others succeed by whatever means you can muster. Generosity signals the end of isolation by cracking open a door to a trusting emotional environment.

### **Vulnerability**

This means letting your guard down so mutual understanding can occur. The relationship engendered by generosity moves toward a place of fearless friendship where risks are taken and invitations are offered to others.

### **Candor**

This is the freedom to be totally honest with those in whom you confide. Vulnerability clears the pathways of feedback so that you are able to share your hopes and fears. Candor allows us to begin to constructively interpret, respond to and grapple with that information.

### **Accountability**

Accountability refers to following through on the promises you make to others. It’s about giving and receiving the feet-to-the-fire tough love through which real change is sustained.

The process starts with generosity. It jolts people out of traditional transactional do-for-me-and-I’ll-do-for-you relationships. Actively reaching out to and helping others gives us the opportunity to act and feel, we can take greater risks in the relationship. It can lead to making a commitment to mutually support one another through thick and thin and to hold one another accountable for doing the things that will allow us to achieve our dreams and destinies.

Taking such risks can lead us to create more than just friendships—we can create lifeline relationships to a better future.

Each member functions as a highly respected equal, offering up creative ideas, candid feedback and criticism voiced with authentic concern for the others’ interests, and rigorous attention to accountability around goals, goal setting, follow-through and, of course, results. Each member has free, open and respectful permission to call the others out when they are falling short (because we all fall short, and most of us, as I know well, tend to do so repeatedly).

Submitted by Cheryl Bluy, Hi Desert RWF President  
Source “Who’s Got Your Back?” by Keith Ferrazzi



# Prospects for a Constitutional Convention in California to Fix a Broken System (Don't Hold Your Breath)

By Supervisor Gary Ovitt



The budget mess in California this year has drawn a great deal of attention to the possibility of convening a constitutional convention to fundamentally reform how state government operates.

Advocates insist this is the only way to fix a currently broken system and the only way to address the demands of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Our current state constitution is antiquated (the basic document was written in 1879) and contains many rigid rules, dysfunctional spending formulas and outdated laws which makes it impossible to produce a timely budget and address a number of critical issues including education, water, health care and job creation for starters.

Holding a Constitutional Convention however, to address a myriad of problems including the state budget mess, is problematic if not impossible.

The first barrier to Californians calling a convention to draft a new state Constitution is that doing so may be unconstitutional.

The current document, adopted in 1879 and amended hundreds of times since, protects itself by outlining the single way it can be scrapped. Voters can call a convention, but only after two-thirds of the members of each house of the legislature put the question on the ballot. Lawmakers introduced bills last year to call for a convention, but that didn't receive much attention because many members of the legislature correctly see in the move an unacceptable change in the way they currently do business. A number of legislators view change with great suspicion and trepidation.

Voters can amend the Constitution, but only a piece at a time because of yet another provision known as the "single subject rule." They can limit the terms of elected officials, for example, but they can't adopt a package that deals simultaneously with term limits, redistricting, political contributions, the vote threshold for adopting a budget, raising taxes, and instituting a spending cap. And special interests that might accept comprehensive reform, in which each provision balances the other, have the ability to defeat piecemeal initiatives.

So if the Legislature holds the sole key to a convention, are Californians stuck? No. An organization called Repair California is pushing for a convention in 2012 to amend the constitution to allow the people to call a convention without the legislature. Repair California is aiming for the November 2010 ballot, when voters elect a new governor to replace Arnold Schwarzenegger. This effort may find a receptive audience. Voters are angry and dissatisfied with Sacramento's ineptitude and are ready for a new approach.

The scope of the convention could be limited in the measures that would be addressed. Some proponents want everything on the table, from a reconsideration of last

year's Proposition 8 marriage restriction to Proposition 13 to pretty much anything else. This approach has some appeal; what's the point, after all, of a citizens' convention if citizens are limited in what they can do? But including subjects as diverse and as divisive as taxes and marriage rights invites the same kind of emotional turmoil that has plagued the initiative process and has gummed up the constitution. The end product of a total constitution revamp could be worse than what we have now.

Some individuals and groups are promoting a limited agenda that includes only four broad topics: governance, including how the Legislature and state agencies and commissions are structured and operate; elections, including initiatives, campaign finance and term limits; the budget, including the threshold (two-thirds, simple majority, or something else) for the Legislature to adopt a budget, plus spending limits and requirements; and revenue distribution, especially how tax money is allocated among state and local governments.

The thorniest question, which also must be decided next month to make next year's general election ballot, is who will be the delegates. Countless efforts at redistricting commissions have crashed and burned because various interests could not agree on how to pick members. Do you want democracy? Elect the members. But then delegate selection becomes mired in the same political partisanship, the same special interest string pulling and commitment extracting that a convention is, in part, intended to curtail.

You could appoint the delegates. But who does the appointing? The same problems arise: The power of the status quo and the special interests, inserting their hand into the process.

Other ideas being considered are: County boards of supervisors could nominate some delegates, state officials could name others, some could be elected. No method is perfect. The question of how best to select delegates is vital because without a widely accepted system the whole effort will go down in flames.

Regardless of what is decided, we need reform now to address severe problems with our budget process, our prisons, our infrastructure, and our confidence in government. To date, government has failed so far to make necessary reforms, and there is little prospect of it doing so any time soon. Fixing California can proceed on multiple tracks. Efforts in the Legislature, or at the ballot box, are possibilities. But plans for a convention should strongly be considered to push lawmakers into some sense of urgency, and to allow Californians to take charge of their own destiny should their representatives, once again, fail to do so.

**Supervisor Gary Ovitt is Chairman of the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors. He represents the Fourth District which encompasses the cities of Chino, Chino Hills, Montclair and Ontario. Visit his website at:**

**[www.sbcounty.gov/bosd4](http://www.sbcounty.gov/bosd4)**

**or follow him on Twitter at:**

**[www.twitter.com/SupervisorOvitt](http://www.twitter.com/SupervisorOvitt)**

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## County, City Break Ground on High Desert Government Center and Hesperia Police Station

**From Supervisor Brad Mitzelfelt**



In August San Bernardino County First District Supervisor Brad Mitzelfelt joined 150 dignitaries and community members to break ground on the new High Desert Government Center and Hesperia Police Station. Among those at the ceremony were Hesperia Mayor Thurston “Smitty” Smith, San Bernardino County Sheriff Rod Hoops, Fifth District Supervisor Josie Gonzales and

numerous other local leaders.

“By working together, the City of Hesperia and the County are saving millions of tax dollars, and improving service,” said Supervisor Mitzelfelt. “We will have a one-stop shop for High Desert residents who won’t have to search for the appropriate County office and will not have to drive to San Bernardino.”

The 67,000-square-foot building will be constructed on 4.42 acres of land donated by the City of Hesperia adjacent to its new City Hall and library and is being built in conjunction with the construction of a new city police station.

“Not only are we improving service to High Desert residents, but we’re also creating badly needed construction jobs,” added Mitzelfelt. “And we’re paying cash for the building with reserves we set aside during healthier economic times.”

The new government center will house several County departments, including: Agriculture/Weights and Measures, the Board of Supervisors, the Recorder, Fire Marshal, Human Resources, Land Use Services, Public Health (Environmental Health Services), the Assessor, Public Works, Registrar of Voters, the Treasurer/Tax Collector, and Veterans Affairs.

Supervisor Mitzelfelt, who served on the California Seismic Safety Commission, also insisted that the building be constructed with features that will ensure higher earthquake survivability so that the building will continue to function following a major earthquake.

“It is a benefit to the taxpayers when two public agencies work together for the public good,” said Mayor Smith, who added that the County and City have a history of strong cooperation. “This is a benefit to the entire High Desert Community.”

The City is planning several street improvements in the area that will improve traffic flow and access to the new center, which is expected to complete the downtown civic center and spur economic activity in the area. Construction is expected to be complete next year.

**Supervisor Brad Mitzelfelt represents San Bernardino County’s First District, which includes the cities of Adelanto, Barstow, Hesperia, Needles, Victorville, Twentynine Palms and the Town of Apple Valley, as well dozens of unincorporated communities stretching from Wrightwood to the Nevada and Arizona borders. His websites are:**

**[www.sbcounty.gov/mitzelfelt](http://www.sbcounty.gov/mitzelfelt) and  
[www.JoinBrad.com](http://www.JoinBrad.com)**

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## Republican Principles

I’m a Republican Because . . .

I BELIEVE the strength of our nation lies with the individual and that each person’s dignity, freedom, ability and responsibility must be honored.

I BELIEVE in equal rights, equal justice and equal opportunity for all, regardless of race, creed, sex, age or disability.

I BELIEVE free enterprise and encouraging individual initiative have brought this nation opportunity, economic growth and prosperity.

I BELIEVE government must practice fiscal responsibility and allow individuals to keep more of the money they earn.

I BELIEVE the proper role of government is to provide for the people only those critical functions that cannot be performed by individuals or private organizations, and that the best government is that which governs least.

I BELIEVE the most effective, responsible and responsive government is government closest to the people.

I BELIEVE Americans must retain the principles that have made us strong while developing new and innovative ideas to meet the challenges of changing times.

I BELIEVE Americans value and should preserve our national strength and pride while working to extend peace, freedom and human rights throughout the world.

FINALLY, I BELIEVE the Republican Party is the best vehicle for translating these ideals into positive and successful principles of government.

From [www.GOP.com](http://www.GOP.com)

## A Holiday Effort for Our Troops and Their Families

By Supervisor Paul Biane



Christmas and the Holiday Season bring families together so they can share cherished memories and create new memories that will last for lifetimes.

Unfortunately, many members of our nation's military and their families will not have an opportunity to be together during the holidays this year so they can make those memories. Some of

them have already spent holidays separated from their loved ones, and others are preparing for more Christmases apart as troops continue the fight for freedom in Iraq and Afghanistan.

In an effort to bring holiday cheer to local military personnel stationed abroad and their families here, the San Bernardino County Department of Veterans Affairs has hosted a "Support Our Troops" gift collection drive for the past two years, and I'm pleased to announce that the County will once again be coordinating this community effort.

We are seeking donations such as pre-paid phone cards, toys, gift cards, and gas cards that can be distributed to local families of active Military, National Guard, and Reservists serving overseas. In addition, residents can donate "comfort items" such as books,

magazines, shaving kits, pre-packaged snacks, and other products that will make the holidays a little brighter for military personnel stationed in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Veterans Affairs will be working with Yellow Ribbon of America, a national nonprofit organization, to distribute donations to local military families. The department will be partnering with a "Touch of Home" Support 4R Deployed Military, a Crestline-based nonprofit, to get gifts to troops overseas.

Whether you donate to local military families or troop members serving abroad, your thoughtful donation will undoubtedly be appreciated. For the troops, the gifts are a chance to get a taste of home during the holidays. For military families, the gifts show them how greatly we appreciate the sacrifices their loved ones are making for our country.

Collection boxes will be placed in County office buildings and other locations in early October. The boxes will be available for drop-off donations until December 7. If you would like more information about the Support Our Troops program, please contact the San Bernardino County Department of Veterans Affairs at (909) 387-5516.

Supervisor Paul Biane represents the cities of Rancho Cucamonga, Fontana and Upland along with the unincorporated areas of Crestline, Lake Gregory, Crest Forest, Lytle Creek and Mt. Baldy Village. Visit his website at:

[www.PaulBiane.com](http://www.PaulBiane.com)



## The San Bernardino County GOP Needs You!

The San Bernardino County Central Committee meets the fourth Thursday of each month at 8711 Monroe Court, Suite B, Rancho Cucamonga beginning at 6 p.m. All registered Republicans are encouraged to attend. Several slots are open for those wishing to serve as alternates to committee members.

Republican volunteers are also asked to share their expertise by participating in one or more of the various subcommittees or working on fundraising and voter registration drives in their area or at party headquarters.

Republican Party Headquarters, located at 222 North Mountain Avenue, Suite 202, Upland, can always use volunteers to assist with upcoming projects. Help is needed with mail preparation, data entry, and other organizational tasks.

If you would like to donate your time or make a monetary donation you can email [info@sbgop.com](mailto:info@sbgop.com) for additional information. The San Bernardino County Republican website can be found at:

[www.sbgop.com](http://www.sbgop.com)

## ACORN

*By Supervisor Neil Derry*



In the wake of the reprehensible conduct of ACORN employees documented in recently released video footage by independent filmmakers, it is clear that an exhaustive top-to-bottom investigation must be conducted by all levels of government into the activities of this organization.

Over the last two weeks we have seen multiple instances in which ACORN employees have engaged in what appears to be criminal misconduct by counseling a fictional pimp and prostitute and offering to facilitate the sex-trafficking of underage girls and evasion of income taxes. These incidents were recorded in several different cities and suggest that the organization is systemically fraudulent and suffers from a pervasive culture of corruption.

The Association for Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN) purports to be a nonprofit, nonpartisan corporation geared towards helping millions of Americans in what at first blush seem like worthy goals, including assistance with home foreclosures, the filing of taxes and registering people to vote. In return for these services, the organization receives millions of taxpayer dollars each year to run its programs.

While many in the political world have suspected that the organization is fraudulent and little more than a partisan political wing of the radical left wing, up until now those concerns have been difficult to confirm and communicate. But the evidence is mounting.

Aside from these undercover videos, ACORN has faced voter registration charges. The organization paid \$25,000 to cover the cost of a police investigation when seven Seattle employees were arrested on forgery and registration fraud charges. Most recently, eleven employees in South Florida have been arrested or are wanted for similar offenses. And the list goes on.

The ACORN tentacles reach far and wide and its true scope is currently unknown. We do know that ACORN funnels its resources and activities through scores of other organizations and works in some capacity with the Service Employees International Union. Wade Rathke, the founder of ACORN, also founded SEIU Local 100, one of the largest unions in the South.

It is widely believed that the SEIU and ACORN work in tandem on various mutually beneficial goals.

In the San Bernardino footage released this week, the ACORN worker brazenly states that they “say” they are nonpartisan. She then lists several elected officials that she and her organization have a close working relationship. Not coincidentally, they are all Democrats.

My Democratic colleagues must repudiate and distance themselves from ACORN and they should similarly support calls for investigations into this organization.

I requested an internal review covering the preceding two years and looked for any instance in which ACORN may have been a vendor receiving payment from the county or whether the county received a payment from ACORN. The investigation revealed that there is no apparent link between San Bernardino County and ACORN.

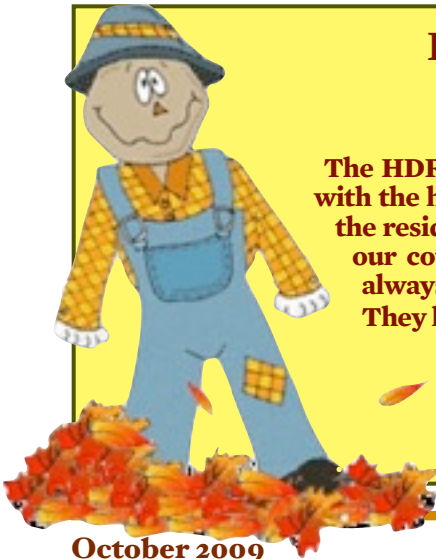
Complicating matters is the hundreds of affiliated organizations that operate under different names. While the review was not exhaustive, it was thorough.

With the high profile nature of this scandal I wanted to allay any concerns by the public and provide them with a full account of their tax dollars.

**Supervisor Neil Derry represents the cities of Redlands, Yucaipa, part of San Bernardino, as well as various Morongo Basin and mountain communities. He can be reached at (909) 387-4855 or visit his website at:**

**[www.sbcounty.gov/bosd3/](http://www.sbcounty.gov/bosd3/)**

## High Desert Republican Women Federated Supports Veterans



**The HDRWF continue to support the Veterans Home in Barstow, CA. On October 12, with the help of the Lewis Center AAE JROTC, we will deliver 192 Halloween favors to the residents of the Home. This is our way of saying thanks to them for the service to our country and the sacrifices they made to insure our freedom. These visits are always delightful and we are able to listen to their stories of their war experiences. They love to talk about them. It is heartwarming to see the sparkle in their eyes. The students also enjoy these visits.**

**Our favors this year are microwave bags of popcorn, a Halloween pin, and a rubber duckie dressed up in a costume - Dracula, Frankenstein, a witch, a mummy, a ghost, and a jack-o-lantern.**

## Guest Speakers for October

**Chaffey:** TBA  
**Grand Terrace:** TBA  
**High Desert:** Mike Ramos  
**Lake Arrowhead:** Laura Boatright, Connie Soto  
**Redlands:** TBA  
**San Bernardino:** Paul Curry  
**Yucca Valley:** Karmen Scott



Club	Meetings	Membership
<b>Chaffey</b>	<b>Meeting Days:</b> Fourth Wednesday of each month <b>Dark:</b> July and August <b>Meeting Time:</b> 6 p.m. <b>Meeting Location:</b> Magic Lamp <b>Cost:</b> \$25	<b>Membership Dues:</b> \$25 Regular \$15 Associate  <b>Contact:</b> Tracin Sandoval (909) 981-3318
<b>Grand Terrace</b>	<b>Meeting Days:</b> Second Tuesday of each month <b>Dark:</b> Once or twice a year <b>Meeting Time:</b> 7 p.m. <b>Meeting Location:</b> Grand Terrace City Hall <b>Cost:</b> \$0, Donations accepted	<b>Membership Dues:</b> \$25 Regular \$15 Associate  <b>Contact:</b> Jo Olchawa <a href="mailto:gtrwf@earthlink.net">gtrwf@earthlink.net</a>
<b>High Desert</b>	<b>Meeting Days:</b> Fourth Tuesday of each month <b>Dark:</b> July, August and December <b>Meeting Time:</b> 10 a.m. <b>Meeting Location:</b> Spring Valley Lake <b>Cost:</b> \$16	<b>Membership Dues:</b> \$30 Regular \$15 Associate  <b>Contact:</b> Joan Lewis (760) 243-5309
<b>Lake Arrowhead</b>	<b>Meeting Days:</b> Third Friday of each month <b>Dark:</b> January and February December <b>Meeting Time:</b> 9:30 a.m. <b>Meeting Location:</b> Lake Arrowhead Country Club <b>Cost:</b> \$15	<b>Membership Dues:</b> \$30 Regular \$5 Associate  <b>Contact:</b> Barbara Carbajal (909) 336-1371
<b>Redlands</b>	<b>Meeting Days:</b> Third Friday of each month <b>Dark:</b> June, July and August <b>Meeting Time:</b> 11:30 a.m. <b>Meeting Location:</b> Redlands Country Club <b>Cost:</b> \$16	<b>Membership Dues:</b> \$25 Regular \$5 Associate  <b>Contact:</b> Jaci Hamill (909) 783-1289
<b>San Bernardino</b>	<b>Meeting Days:</b> Fourth Thursday of each month <b>Dark:</b> July and August <b>Meeting Time:</b> 11 a.m. <b>Meeting Location:</b> Shandin Hills Country Club <b>Cost:</b> \$13	<b>Membership Dues:</b> \$20 Regular \$10 Associate  <b>Contact:</b> Jean Liberman (909) 886-4122
<b>Yucca Valley</b>	<b>Meeting Days:</b> Third Monday of each month <b>Dark:</b> July, August and December <b>Meeting Time:</b> Varies <b>Meeting Location:</b> Church of the Nazarene <b>Cost:</b> Varies	<b>Membership Dues:</b> \$20 Regular \$15 Associate  <b>Contact:</b> Helen Flint <a href="mailto:HelenRFlint@aol.com">HelenRFlint@aol.com</a>

## Is Money Really the Answer to California's Education Woes

By Senator George Runner



There's a common presumption that the more money government spends on a program the better the outcome. This simply is not so. And nowhere has the failure of massive spending to produce successful results been more evident than California's education system.

California spends more money on education than any other program in the state, roughly half of the entire budget. Last year, in fact, taxpayers spent close to \$69 billion on education.

What has this bought us?

California's academic performance ranks among the bottom ten in the nation. Drop out rates are appalling. In Los Angeles, home of the largest school district in the state, for every student who graduates, another one drops out.

If additional money were the answer, why do we have so many cases of abysmal school's performance and when more money is dedicated to the why?

To illustrate the point, Sausalito Marin City is in the 20th percentile of Academic Achievement in exchange for \$56 thousand Average Daily Attendance while American Indian Public Charter is in the 100<sup>th</sup> percentile of academic achievement and is in the 26th percentile of Average Daily Attendance.

Elk Grove and Sacramento City Unified, the two largest districts in Sacramento County, enroll similar numbers of English learners, but Elk Grove outperforms Sacramento City by nearly 10 percentage points in

English and eight percentage points in math. At the same time, Elk Grove receives nearly \$2,200 per student less than Sacramento City does.

Statewide, school districts where a majority of students are not proficient outnumber those where a majority is proficient by about 3 to 1. In fact, average student proficiency rates in English and math at the state's bottom 20 revenue districts, which average \$8,900 in funding per student, are actually higher than proficiency rates at the top 20 revenue districts, which average more than \$19,200 in funding per student.

Albert Einstein defined insanity as "doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results." Unfortunately that is what California has done for years continues to do for years as it ramps up spending while failing to change how education is delivered. Ample funding is necessary to properly teach our children, but funding alone is not sufficient. Without serious reforms—such as expanding school choice for parents, allowing for more local control and ensuring that tax dollars go to the classroom and not the bureaucracy—we are failing our kids and throwing billions of taxpayer dollars down the toilet.

Find out how much money your school district receives by going to: [www.schoolfinancecenter.org](http://www.schoolfinancecenter.org)

**Senator George Runner is the chairman of the Senate Republican Caucus. He represents Senate District 17, which includes Santa Clarita, the high desert of Los Angeles and San Bernardino Counties, and portions of San Fernando Valley and Ventura County. Visit his website at:**

**[Senator George Runner](http://www.senatorrunner.org)**

### ***Assemblyman Knight to Host Tri-Community Town Hall at Phelan Memorial Library***

State Assemblyman Steve Knight is inviting citizens to join him at a Town Hall meeting to discuss issues of importance to the tri-community of Phelan, Pinon Hills, Wrightwood and surrounding areas.

Guests include:

**Brad Mitzelfelt**, 1<sup>st</sup> District Supervisor, San Bernardino County  
**Mike Page**, President, Board of Directors, Mojave Water Agency  
**Al Morrissette**, Director, Phelan Pinon Hills Community Services District  
**Alex Brandon**, Executive Director, Phelan Chamber of Commerce  
**Eric Johnston**, Ed.D., Superintendent, Snowline Joint Unified School District

Details:

**Thursday, October 8, 2009**  
**6:00—8:00 p.m.**  
**Phelan Memorial Library**  
**9898 Clovis Road, Phelan**

Although Knight's Town Halls are somewhat informal with a wide-ranging format, they are becoming more focused on the top-tier issues on the minds of his constituents, including restoring California's economic health and business climate.

## Hire Your Employees/Hire Your Electeds

By **Dennis L. Stout**



One of the accomplishments that I am most proud of is the recruitment process that I instituted in the District Attorneys Office. I wanted a system that was absolutely based on merit. I felt that to deal with the challenges of a modern judicial system we needed to select the best and the brightest. We set up a screening process that not only had the traditional application screening and interviews by panels of experienced lawyers but also included a practical examination. After applicants went through the qualifying examinations, a background check was done by senior administrative attorneys to vet the candidates before any were offered provisional appointment. The provision was a rigorous two and a half year probationary period. Only candidates that passed this process obtained regular employment status. I made further promotions based on successful completion of additional standards.

After eight years, half of the successful candidates were women. This was a huge increase over previous administrations. I proved that if the process is fair and merit based that women were equal to men in successfully meeting our hiring goals. High standards resulted in better lawyers across the board. Each lawyer in the office represents a taxpayer investment of millions over a career. In order to protect the taxpayer, each lawyer must perform at a high level. Careful screening is

the first step and appropriate management by supervisors along with constant training protects the investment.

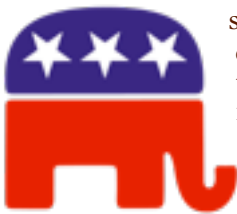
The lawyers in that office are some of the best in the State of California if not the entire country. These types of things aren't some of the sexy things that elected officials often point to but they are some of the things that really make the largest impact on you.

Elected officials are managers and in many cases they are department heads just like in any other department. You wouldn't hire a department head to run a major department who didn't have any management experience yet most elected officials are "hired by the voters" without any consideration of that fact. Many of the departments led by elected officials have the largest budgets in the county. What if we voted for elected officials the same way you would hire an employee. You would check their résumés for relevant experience, evaluate their abilities for the specific job they are seeking and interview them asking questions. I say this because when I came to the District Attorney's Office I had four years of management experience with the county Department of Mental Health. I did department budgets for the Board of Supervisors, I supervised the management staff, I managed the department's facilities. I did everything that a department has to do. Later, I found this experience invaluable in managing the District Attorneys Office

**Dennis L. Stout served as District Attorney of San Bernardino County 1995-2003; Deputy District Attorney 1977-2003; Mayor of Rancho Cucamonga 1986-1994; Sergeant US Army 1971-1972; Vietnam 1st Cavalry Division 1972. He is currently considering a run for San Bernardino County District Attorney.**

## Change is Coming: Great Things are Happening

By **Robert F. Rego**



First, I want to thank everyone that supported my election to chair our county party. The task is great and the challenges are numerous. It is important to set our sights on the 2010 election year and be prepared to elect Republicans in our local area, to add to the Republican presence in San Bernardino County, and to establish a program that will successfully move our base to vote in larger numbers to be a part of Republican victories in both State and National elections.

In embracing Ronald Reagan's 11<sup>th</sup> commandment, "Thou shalt not speak ill of any fellow Republican," we can forge a united force to restart a movement to transform San Bernardino to a Red County once again. This will not be easy. We must be willing resist

parochialism. We must be willing to share ideas, resources and work in communion.

Our voter registration effort is moving forward and will kick-off in a few weeks throughout the county. We are moving forward with fund raising programs that will encourage every Republican to be a stakeholder in the future of our Party. We are working on information distribution projects that will include joint efforts in e-mail, Facebook, and Twitter communications, with an emphasis on reaching out to new residents as well as the youth, the future of any sustaining organization. The website is under renovation and will be updated and active by the middle of October.

These programs are being supported by a renovation of our internal office components to assure maximum support for these efforts, with a structure that will include the participation of all Republicans. Come join the effort.

**Robert Rego is the chairman of the San Bernardino County Republican Party. The party site can be found at:**

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## **An Interview with 63rd Assembly Candidate Acquanetta Warren**

**By Joshua White**



This is the second in a series of articles detailing interviews with the major Republican candidates in the 63rd California State Assembly District. That seat is currently occupied by Assemblymember Bill Emmerson, who cannot run again due to term limits.

This interview was conducted with Fontana City Mayor Pro Tem Acquanetta Warren. Warren is also Deputy Director of Public Works-

Operations for the City of Upland.

### **Background of Acquanetta Warren**

Ms. Warren has served on the Fontana City Council since 202; she most recently won election in 2008. Ms. Warren received her B.A. in Political Science/Urban Studies from Occidental College. She has three children.

### **On the Fontana City Council**

In our interview, Warren listed a number of accomplishments on Fontana's City Council.

- Cut taxes by eliminating the Utility tax for all residents and businesses.
- Established a pro-business policy and partnered with the Chamber of Commerce to attract new businesses and to help existing businesses grow.
- Streamlined City departments into the division of Business Services to make it easier for businesses to work with the city including a city-wide review of plans to enhance the processing through the city review system.
- Implemented Expenditure Control Budgeting and cost containment, providing departments and incentive to under-spend their budgets.

Ms. Warren also has a great personal interest in public health issues. "I saw a major social problem in Fontana, which is obesity. With the support of the Fontana City Council and Mayor, I created Healthy Fontana. Healthy Fontana works to educate the public on obesity and obesity-related issues. It also features after-school programs that foster healthy exercise for as many as 4,000 students," she said.

Acquanetta Warren also made note of Fontana's new parks, senior citizen facilities, and libraries. "We were able to accomplish all this because we were a council working together, in a fiscally responsible way.

Cooperation between the members of the city council has been key to Fontana's recent successes."

### **Activities in the California Republican Party**

Acquanetta spent several years as a Vice-Chair of the California Republican Party, representing the region that includes the Inland Empire. "As part of the CRP I had the opportunity to support both federal and state officials. I always emphasized the importance of developing our 'farm team'—our up-and-coming elected officials at the local level. They're the future of our party.

### **The 63rd Assembly District Campaign**

When asked about fundraising, Ms. Warren quickly corrected me, saying that she considers them to be more like "friendraisers."

"I'm all about bringing in new people. I want to get them involved, especially young people, and teach them the value of government. And I don't want that to stop after an election. I want to make government more open and accessible, so that people can get done what they need to get done."

Acquanetta Warren also discussed her past fundraising performance: "I'm very pleased with my performance so far, especially since I'm not a wealthy candidate who can make myself a big loan."

### **On Education**

Education policy is very important to Ms. Warren, both at the K-12 level and at the college/university level. "My daughter will be graduating from high school in June. California's university system has been declining for years. I can't see her comfortably attending a California public university."

Ms. Warren suggests several solutions. "A big part of the problem, especially at the K-12 level, is mismanagement of funds. Education decisions are being made at the state level; they shouldn't be. Education in California is far too top-heavy. We should give control over what goes on in the classrooms to local teachers and administrators, and work to minimize the state bureaucracy. We also need to get parents involved in the classroom. This will create a sense of responsibility for their children's education."

Warren advocates an increase in vocational education. "We should get past the mindset that everyone has to be in a white collar profession. I believe there is great honor in being a landscaper, or an equipment operator, or a plumber, or a nurse. I have great respect for those workers, and many of them are highly skilled, and many of them make very good salaries. We need to teach our kids to be productive citizens, regardless of the field they choose."

### **The State Budget**

One of the key issues for California Republicans is the continual battle over the state budget. Ms. Warren is critical of this year's procedure where income tax

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withholding is accelerated and the amount withheld is increased by 10 percent.

"You can say that's not a tax, but it is. It's more money taken out of the paychecks of hardworking Californians, and it means that taxpayers will have to make cuts in their personal budgets. This has affected me personally. I keep track of my personal budget . . . Some things are required, other things are 'nice to have.' I've had to eliminate one of those 'nice to have' items from my personal budget as a result of this tax increase, and I'm sure many others have as well."

Like most Republicans, Ms. Warren advocates cuts to the state budget. "The legislature should look back five, six years, and see what programs have been added, where the budget has expanded. The problem with the budget is that when the state gets a short-term money infusion in good times, they add long-term spending."

Ms. Warren continued, "Imagine if you decided to take out a five-year loan on a luxury car, just because you got a one-time income tax refund. That's not common sense, but that's what happens in Sacramento."

### **Reform Proposals**

I asked Acquanetta Warren about various reform proposals that have been discussed. She advocates for some changes to California's initiative process: "The legislature is only responsible for a small part of the state budget. Initiatives over the years have essentially guaranteed funding to various projects and programs, leaving the legislature with little room to maneuver."

"I think the initiative process should be changed so that propositions that have passed can be changed by the legislature after a certain number of years, if the program isn't working. There should also be a requirement that

propositions dealing with spending have to provide for funding in the text of the bill. It doesn't make sense to pass a spending initiative with no way to pay for it."

Ms. Warren strongly opposes efforts to remove the two-thirds vote requirement for budgets. "I'm very uncomfortable with taking away that two-thirds vote requirement. There's too little discussion about the budget as it is. Handing complete control to one party will eliminate what discussion we have."

As for the part-time legislature proposal, Ms. Warren said, "California is the largest of the states. We've got to be sure someone's minding the store. Would the big five stay full-time? If so, do we want to give five legislators that much control? If not, do we want to give that much power to the governor or to the judiciary?"

### **Minorities in the Republican Party**

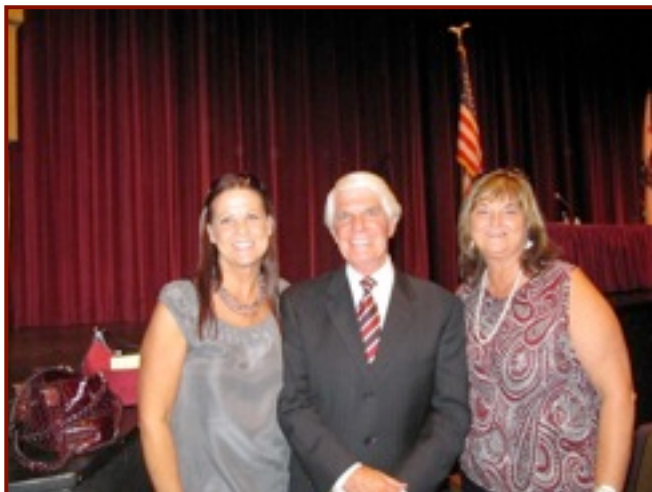
Acquanetta Warren is optimistic about the possibility of increasing minority involvement in the Republican Party. She believes Republicans should not change their values, but should improve the outreach and communication of those values.

"If you look at the actual positions of minorities, they are generally Republican stances: Limited government, personal responsibility, personal accountability. So many of my African-American friends are very anti-tax. If our message is clear, and if we work to make minorities feel comfortable, they'll come over."

### **In Summary**

Some Republican candidates for elected office propose a top-down path to limited government. Acquanetta Warren, on the other hand, proposes citizen involvement at every level—a bottom-up approach.

## ***Congressman Jerry Lewis Hosts Town Hall in High Desert***



**L to R: Valerie Emick, Secretary, HDRWF, Congressman Jerry Lewis; Cheryl Bluy, President HDRWF**



**Congressman Jerry Lewis**

## The Reagan Legacy

By Mike Morrell



When Reagan entered the presidency, Americans were suffering from four painful years of “Change” under Jimmy Carter. It’s true, Carter campaigned on “Change” in 1976, and he delivered big government, over-regulation, high unemployment, gas rationing, America’s first energy crisis, massive inflation, interest rates over 21.5 percent, and a weak

foreign policy towards the Soviet Union and Iran (52 American hostages). So, beware next time a President promises “Change”!

Ronald Reagan promised a return to the principles of our founding fathers, the principles of limited government, traditional values, and a strong defense. He understood that our constitution was designed to place limits on government power, not to tell farmers what to plant and teachers what to teach and builders what to build.

Reagan came into office with the belief that government was not the solution to the nation’s problems. Instead, government was there to “work with us, not over us; to stand by our side, not ride on our back.” And Reagan delivered on his promise. Sixteen million new jobs were created, inflation was reduced, and the size of government shrank. Skeptics called it “voodoo economics,” but history called it the greatest creation of wealth ever.

Reagan outraged the liberal elites by referring to the weaknesses of détente and he called the Soviet Union “the evil empire.” At the Brandenburg Gate he declared, “Mr. Gorbachev, tear down this wall.” Within a couple of years, the wall fell. Millions in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union were free for the first time in decades. Reagan advanced democracy around the world, knowing that all men and women had the right to govern themselves without the heavy hand of a dictator.

Ronald Reagan called the American people back to our highest ideals. He reminded us constantly of

freedom. He encouraged us to pursue our faith; he believed that God and family are the moral anchors of national greatness.

Our leaders in Sacramento and Washington D.C. have forgotten Ronald Reagan. They’ve forgotten what America stands for. They reject the Constitution. They turn to big government to rescue us.

Much has changed since Ronald Reagan left office. Today we face many challenges and dark days seem to loom on the horizon, here in California and nationally. But history teaches principled leadership, like Reagan, wins in the end—therefore we can be sure the Democrats way is destined to fail—for their message and solutions remain the same—“*tax and spend*” from the womb to the tomb.

It is said that “*as California goes, so goes the rest of the nation.*” If this is so, we here in California have an opportunity to change America. Beginning here in California, we can work to restore the political principles of limited government. Additionally we must give careful thought to those we elect to govern on behalf of ourselves and our loved ones. We will continue the revolution Reagan began—restoring America to that “shining city upon the hill.”

You and I may not represent the majority currently in California, but Samuel Adams reminds his fellow patriots:

It does not take a majority to prevail...but rather an irate, tireless minority keen on setting the brush fire of freedom in the minds of men.

This is our call and our duty to be active, vigilant and brave as we fight to defend our freedoms.

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# Real Health Care Reform Means Saying NO to Obama-Care

By Dr. Don Kurth



As a Physician and California's Statewide Healthcare Coalition Chairman for the John McCain for President campaign in 2008, I've had the opportunity to debate health care reform all across our great state.

Throughout these debates, it became clear that the major difference between Republican health care reform and Obama-Care is who should control medical treatment decisions.

Republicans believe that individuals, in consultation with their doctor or health care professional, should be in charge of making decisions affecting our health. By contrast, Obama-Care would require medical treatment decisions to be made by government agencies, NOT by individuals.

A government ruled health care system would mean LOWER QUALITY of care, LONGER waiting times for patients and FEWER medical services for consumers.

Obama-Care would also destroy the innovation that has made America's health care system the world's gold standard for new medical treatments and technologies. In essence, it seeks to "dumb down" health care for most Americans to provide minimal coverage to all Americans.

Even worse, Obama-Care would impose health care rationing that would put America's senior citizens at the end of the line for medical treatment. Under Obama-Care's socialized health care system, I can only imagine the horror of watching our parents have to beg federal bureaucrats in order to get the medical treatment they need.

Many congressional advocates of Obama-Care even want to penalize Americans who purchase "luxury" health insurance plans to protect their families or employees. Apparently these advocates of Big

Government are concerned that allowing quality private insurance plans would make the bare-bones benefits that will be provided by Obama-Care look even worse.

Most polling shows that the majority of Americans are satisfied with their health insurance. That's why Nancy Pelosi and other left-wing Congressional Democrats are trying to manufacture a health insurance crisis that doesn't really exist. Without their phony "crisis", there would be no rationale for the kind of draconian health care changes dictated by Obama-Care.

As our Republican candidate for State Assembly, I will fight to stop the government takeover of healthcare.

Instead of expanding government control over medicine, I will work to empower individual consumers by making health insurance more portable. I want to eliminate government regulations that needlessly increase Emergency Room costs and force our hospitals to raise treatment prices for other patients.

In addition, I will fight hard to stop the outrageous class action lawsuits that are driving up the cost of medicines for all Californians. Tort Reform is a vital component to true health care reform!

Finally, we need to focus our health care system on promoting less costly medical prevention programs. Too often, Medi-Care and Medi-Cal refuse to cover the cost of patient prevention, but then pay for costly medical treatments later that could have been avoided with the prevention!

We cannot allow Obama-Care to turn California's health care system into yet another failed government bureaucracy. That's why it is so important to elect Republican Legislators with the experience and leadership to make a difference.

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## Club Announcements

High Desert Republican Women Federated	San Bernardino Republican Women Federated	Yucca Valley Republican Women Federated
<b>Date:</b> October 27, 2009	<b>Date:</b> October 22, 2009	<b>Date:</b> October 19, 2009
<b>Time:</b> 5:30 p.m.	<b>Time:</b> 11 a.m.	<b>Time:</b> 9:30 a.m.
<b>Place:</b> Hilton Garden Inn 12603 Mariposa Road Victorville	<b>Place:</b> Shandin Hills Country Club 3380 Little Mountain Drive San Bernardino	<b>Place:</b> Church of the Nazarene 56842 Buena Vista Yucca Valley
<b>Guest:</b> Mike Ramos	<b>Guest:</b> Paul Curry	<b>Guest:</b> Karmen Scott
<b>Topic:</b> Gangs	<b>Topic:</b> Legislation	<b>Topic:</b> Domestic Violence
<b>Cost:</b> \$20	<b>Cost:</b> \$13	<b>Cost:</b> No Charge
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## **Our Southern Border is a Clear and Present Danger to California's Communities**

**By Dr. Paul Chabot**



The day I officially launched my campaign for the 63<sup>rd</sup> Assembly District, Tuesday, September 15, 2009, I had an opportunity to brief senior law enforcement officials, including San Bernardino County Sheriff Hoops, on international and domestic terrorism organizations, with a focus on the violent drug cartels based in Mexico. I then traveled to meet with the White House Drug Czar, Gil Kerlikowske, and explained that California was about to make our state a much more dangerous place to live if the proposed thousands of state prisoners were released early from prison, some of whom are gang members with connections to drug cartels. In that same week, while providing a keynote presentation in San Diego to the National Narcotics Officers Association Coalition (a membership of over 70,000 police officers), I was offered an opportunity to visit our southern border to see firsthand the challenges facing our brave Border Patrol Agents.

Having worked in law enforcement myself for over 14 years, I have always known of the problems facing our fellow officers along the southern border, but one would

have thought that after all this time our border would be better protected. Clearly, our agents are out-numbered and often out-gunned. A few days after I left San Diego, we learned that a significant border crossing had been shut down after an officer-involved shooting.

The photos accompanying this brief article provide a short glimpse into the drugs flowing into America from Mexico and the “needle in the haystack” luck one must have just to find a car filled with dope among the thousands crossing every hour. Officers I met believe that they are able to find a small percentage of the illegal narcotics and illegal aliens who make it into the U.S. at border crossings. With those odds, one has to worry about terrorists and weapons of mass destruction creeping in as well. The level of drug violence on our streets and the threats to our communities from illegal alien gang members must end. A recent headline says it all, “Man from Mexican cartel among 9 arrested in gang sweep: 6 U.S. citizens and 3 illegal Mexican immigrants are taken into custody in crackdown . . . assault rifles, submachine guns seized . . .”

We are a nation of laws, and must therefore enforce our border policy by halting illegal immigration at its source by building an effective wall and perimeter along our entire border and holding businesses that hire illegal immigrants accountable. We must track down illegal alien gang members and other criminals on our streets and provide swift justice and deportation. A weakened and dangerous Mexico only furthers the plights of illegal immigrants into the United States. We must also support Mexico's fight against drug cartels and work to eliminate factors that push our neighbors south of the border to cross over illegally. We are very fortunate to have leaders like Assemblyman Bill Emmerson and Senator Bob Dutton, among other conservatives, fighting to keep us safe despite a liberal state government which favors criminals over the rights of Americans.

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## Let's Get Back to Work Supporting More Local and Limited Government

By Henry Nickel



In recent months we have witnessed a promising revival of conservatism across the nation. Once again Americans are waking from their slumber and a grudging acceptance of mediocrity among our political leadership. A great divide is once again forming between those intent upon expanding the role of the state in our lives and those

committed to a history of limited well defined government power. For the foreseeable future, and certainly over the course of the next election, the will of Americans seeking to affirm our true, tried and tested view of political authority will be put to the test at all levels of our republican (small "r") system. It is a view expressed by the founding fathers, enshrined in the Constitution and demonstrated throughout America's history as the last great hope of mankind.

If there is one lesson we must take from the challenging times we now confront it is that the government, economy and society of our United States have become excessively top heavy, with authority increasingly transferred and concentrated at the highest levels of our institutions, away from the critical eyes of the public whom are increasingly called upon to bear the burdens of a seemingly nebulous, soulless bureaucracy intent upon draining the fruits of the diligent labor, ingenuity and enterprise of our citizens. Specifically, authority and consequential accountability has shifted away from local control where it is most transparent and effective to the shapeless abyss of state and national

government where decisions are made in shadows, away from the purifying light of an engaged public and responsible independent press.

This election of 2010 must be about more than vocal opposition to the naïve and negligent policies of statism and wealth redistribution perpetrated by the left. It must be about a reinvigorated Republican Party committed to the fundamental concepts of limited constitutional government, returning power and control to local governments and our citizens, away from the gamesmanship of Sacramento and Washington. It is time to roll back the decades of creeping interference, foreign concepts of wealth confiscation and ever-expanding mechanisms of inappropriate government intimidation and overreach. History has shown that no political system that seeks to confiscate the wealth of its citizens for the "greater good" is able to sustain itself for more than a few miserable generations much less deliver on the promise.

While some may believe it appropriate to apologize for the remarkable character of accountability, hard work, common sense and liberty that has made our state and nation the envy of the world, we Republicans must not and I pray we will not. Let's not be tempted by the allure of cronyism, opportunism or ego. Let's not fall prey to self-destructive soft tyranny cloaked in the sheep's clothing of the "greater good" perpetrated by the false prophets of socialism and statism. Let's recommit ourselves to the core virtues of American liberty that define Republicans. Let's all get back to work. Let's take back our state and our country in 2010.

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**October 16 - 18, 2009**  
**Marriott Ontario Airport**

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**October 16** — Afternoon, Workshop  
Evening, President's Dinner

**October 17** — Business Meeting, Speakers, Election of 2010 Officers, Education Panel

#### Ambassador Event

Banquet—Speaker and Installation of Officers for 2010

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Friday, October 16, 2009  
Lake Arrowhead Country Club

9:30 coffee and social 10:00 meeting

We will be serving lunch  
Butternut squash soup, Bogie Sandwich: grilled  
sourdough/slice tomato/crisp bacon/cheddar  
cheese/ Ortega chile  
Double fudge cake/raspberry sauce  
The cost will be \$15.00

Our Speakers will be:  
Laura Boatright, Redlands Tea Party organizer,  
and  
Connie Soto, speaking as a patient on Cuban  
Government Healthcare.

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**Year-End Gathering**

Ladies & Gentlemen, instead of our annual  
Christmas party, we are trying something new.  
The date is: Sunday November 15, 5 p.m. Once  
again Lorna Polley is offering her lovely home.  
So please mark your calendars with the date.  
Our charity this year will be the Boy's and Girl's  
Club. There will complete details in the next  
Newsletter.

**Happy October!**

