



***President's Corner***

***August 2012***

Once again, we had a marvelous speaker for our July luncheon. I know we all enjoyed hearing from our Lieutenant Governor, Brian Krolicki. He was most informative about what is happening in our state, such as increasing tourisms, bringing in new businesses and encouraging business expansion, the recent decision regarding the Winter Olympics in Nevada, and the state of Nevada in general. He was interesting, enlightening, enjoyable, candid, entertaining and, at times, quite humorous. How lucky we are to live in an area where our elected officials will join us for lunch and talk to us about political issues facing us in the county, the state, and nationally.

Our speaker for the August meeting should also be quite informative. I'm sure James Smack, our new National Committeeman, will have a lot to tell us about our State Party plans, as well as linking those to the national Republican Party. I hope you will all be able to attend, and don't forget to bring a friend.

Our 9/11 Dinner event is approaching quite quickly and the Board and Past Board Presidents are working hard to bring you another spectacular and memorable evening commemorating the 9/11 attacks back in 2001. General John P. Abazaid (Ret.) will be our guest speaker, and if you attended a few years ago, you know what a dynamic speaker he is. We will also be having some of our military personnel attending as our guests.

This event is not to be a fund raiser; however, we will be holding a live auction to cover our costs for the event. If you would be interested in sponsoring one of our military guests by buying their dinner (\$35.00) the Club would be most grateful. Just include a note in with your reservation indicating you would like to buy dinner for one of our troops. Thank you.

I would like to thank my Board once again, for all the work they do on behalf of SNRW: Sherese Settlemeyer, VP/Program, for arranging for such great speakers; VP/Membership Mary Porter, for her yeoman's efforts to maintain and increase our membership; Recording Secretary Sharla Hales, for taking and publishing such accurate Minutes for the Board and Membership; Shari James, our Treasurer, for keeping this Club Republican (staying within a budget, and insuring that there is more money coming in than going out); Jan Muzzy, Corresponding Secretary, for her outstanding writing skills; and our

Past President, Pat Smith, for providing an excellent perspective on Club operations.  
Thank you all.

Remember, you will be getting your 9/11 invitations in the mail soon. Please fill them out and return them with your dinner selection, check, and note if you are sponsoring dinner for one of our military guests.

*Nancy Jarvis, President*

## MINUTES

### SIERRA NEVADA REPUBLICAN WOMEN

July 11, 2012

President Nancy Jarvis called the meeting to order at noon. The meeting was held at Tahoe Ridge Winery.

Chaplain Betty Hertz gave the invocation. Lieutenant Governor Brian Krolicki led the pledge of allegiance.

Special Guests Introduced: Lieutenant Governor Brian Krolicki, State Senator James Settelmeyer, County Commissioner Vice Chair Nancy McDermid, East Fork Justice Court Justice Tom Perkins, County Assessor Doug Sonnemann, County Recorder Karen Ellison, Gardnerville Ranchos General Improvement District Trustee Shari James, and Douglas County Republican Central Committee Chair Maggie Benz.

#### PROGRAM

Nancy Jarvis

- President Jarvis introduced guest speaker Lt. Governor Krolicki.
- On behalf of SNRW members Nancy Jarvis presented to him a gift of items made in Douglas County.

#### CLUB BUSINESS

Approval of Minutes of June 13, 2012 meeting  
No questions or comments. Passed by consent. Nancy Jarvis

Treasurer's Report Shari James

- Treasurer, Shari James noted that the Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Report are available. There were no questions about the Treasurer's Report. The Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Report will be placed on file.

Membership Report Mary Porter

- Currently 85 members/59 associate members.
- Circulated list of newly registered Republican Women by precinct; requested members invite them to join SNRW.
- Requested members to complete and return "Volunteer Hours" tally sheet. Purpose is to fulfill one of the criteria of the Federation Award Program and to know more about our club and members.

Caring for America/Military Update Sally Wiley

- Passed around a hat (made by Gloria Darrington) and collected donations to cover postage of packages mailed to the troops in the Middle East.
- 40 packages will be mailed next Wednesday.
- Boys and Girls Club will assist with the September mailing.

50/50 Drawing--Shari James

- Collected \$144. Payout of \$72 was given to Jim White, which he donated to the Mitt Romney Presidential Campaign.

DCRCC Report

Maggie Benz

- Eric Roper, economist, will be speaker tomorrow night. 7 p.m.
- Romney Bus is scheduled to be at DCRCC headquarters tomorrow evening.

Commissioner Report

Nancy McDermid

- Informed and gave updates on Douglas County.

The next General Meeting will be August 8, noon at Tahoe Ridge Winery.

9/11 (Tuesday) Dinner will be at the Genoa Lakes Country Club. General John Abizaid (ret.) will be the guest speaker.

Adjournment at 1:00pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jan Muzzy, Corresponding Secretary  
for Sharla Hales, Recording Secretary

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**2012 Committee/Appointed Positions**

Achievement Award	Pat Smith, Sherese Settlemeyer, Robin Reedy
Advisory Committee	Past Presidents
Americanism	Sharon O'Berg
Budget & Finance	Shari James, Pam Sturlin
By-Laws	Donna Baushke/Claudine Broquist/ Robin Reedy
Campaign Volunteer	Mary Porter
Caring for America	Sally Wiley
Chaplain	Betty Hertz
Constitutional Education	Mary Porter
Editorial	Jan Muzzy
Entrepreneur Award	Mary Jane Harding
Historian	Judy Walsh
Hospitality/Greeters	Claudine Broquist
Hot Line	Donna Baushke
Legislature	Sherese Settlemeyer
Literacy	Linda Ruisi
Membership	Mary Porter, Maryellen Geiger
Newsletter	Donna Baushke
Parliamentarian	Kathryn Zogorski
Photographer	Donna Schehl
Program	Sherese Settlemeyer
Publicity/PR	Donna Baushke
Protocol	Donna Baushke
Roster	Mary Porter
Sunshine	Rita Hill
VA/Active Military	Sally Wiley
Ways and Means	Pam Sturlin (St. Patrick's)
9/11	Robin Reedy, Sherese Settlemeyer
Website	Pat Smith, Rita Hill, Lee Bonner
Youth Chair	Heide Cruz
Advertising	Shari James, Deena Reagan

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***A big high five to SNRW Members and Guests attending the July 11th Meeting for their \$125.00 donation towards the Troop Care Packages. Your continued generosity does make a difference.***

***Year to date, we have done 221 boxes, cost \$2972.45.***

***Today, July 18th, we prepared forty two boxes, at a cost of \$551.45.***

***With appreciation,***

***Sally Wiley***

***American Gold Star Mother***

***Caring for America Chair***



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***Our August 8<sup>th</sup> Speaker is James Smack, Vice Chair, Nevada Republican Party***

James was elected at the Nevada Republican Convention in Sparks this past May as our new National Committeeman, which serves a four year term that runs from the end of the Republican National Convention this year until the closing gavel of the National Convention in 2016 He will be one of the three representatives that Nevada has to the Republican National Committee. He also currently serves as the Vice Chairman of the Nevada Republican Party and served two years as the Churchill County Republican Chairman. James has served on several committees for the state party as well.

James registered as a Republican in his senior year of high school in Massachusetts. While attending the University of Massachusetts, he was one of the co-founders of the Conservative Alliance, worked as an intern for a United States Senator and also volunteered for a presidential campaign in New Hampshire. After earning his degree from UMass, he was the South Central Massachusetts coordinator for a gubernatorial campaign, and later worked for a Republican senate candidate.

His career kept him quite busy for a number of years, living in many places but always staying registered to vote and in tune with the issues of the day. James volunteered for several campaigns through the years, and more recently an activist against Breed Specific Legislation which he continues to fight to this day to protect specific dog breeds from being targeted by government. James also served as a volunteer lobbyist to the Nevada Legislature in 2009 and 2011 for Stillwater Firearms Association of Fallon, of which he is a life member. He also lobbied for other issues important to the state party in 2011.

James has been married to his wife, Vicki, for 12 years and they have six dogs that keep them busy and entertained.

For our Aug 8<sup>th</sup> luncheon, RSVP to Shari James by Aug 7<sup>th</sup> at 450-3082 or [treasurer.snrw@gmail.com](mailto:treasurer.snrw@gmail.com)



*Lt Gov Krolicki and President Nancy*      *How many of you saw the Romney bus?*



### **Changes, Corrections and Additions**

No changes or corrections to contact information in our Directory have been reported to the Membership Committee this month. If there has been a change or correction of your contact information let us know and we will post it here.

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### **SNRW - ENTREPRENEUR AWARD CRITERIA**

*The dictionary defines an entrepreneur as one who undertakes to start and conduct an enterprise or business, assuming full control and risk. Don't we all know someone in the community who has started a business?*

*Although the nominee does not have to be a member of one of the Republican Women's Clubs or the DCRCC, the nominee's participation reflects their commitment and support to the Republican Party.*

**Application Deadline: September 30<sup>th</sup>.**

Last year I printed forms with information and dates in advance and only used two sets. This year, members who want to nominate a candidate must let me know so I can print and give them the appropriate information.

Thank you.

Mary Jane Harding, Chair, Entrepreneur Award

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### ***Recommended Reading, the Constitution Committee***

In 1996 Slouching Toward Gomorrah, Modern Liberalism and American Decline by Robert H. Bork presented an analysis of American culture as we approached the millennium. Many of you may have read this book already. If not, it is recommended. Judge Bork provides historical context for modern liberalism's impact on many facets of our society. It is a very well written critique.

Judge Bork discusses the Supreme Court in Chapter 6. He makes the thought-provoking recommendation of “. . . a constitutional amendment making any federal or state court decision subject to being overruled by a majority vote of each House of Congress.” (At page 117) The decisions by the Court in June 2012 on the Arizona immigration law and Obamacare revive the pertinence of consideration of the author's recommendation.

In 2012 Dennis Prager's Still the Best Hope, Why the World Needs American Values to Triumph addresses many of the same concerns raised 12 years earlier by Judge Bork. Dennis Prager's treatment is a bit more comprehensive. He also devotes discussion to Islam and Islamism. The author's style is somewhat conversational. As you may know Dennis Prager is a talk show host.

Both texts conclude on optimistic notes. While finding this reassuring, a reader may worry that the optimism expressed by the authors is therapeutic reassurance. However, both authors provide recommendations for preserving the constitutional system we treasure even though challenges of decay face us.

Recommended Readings continue to be invited. They will be passed along to our members.



## Getting to Know Betty Hertz

Betty Hertz has been SNRW's chaplain for about 3 years. She devotes several hours to composing each prayer she delivers at our gatherings. Betty engages us with her focus on current world affairs and local occurrences as well as members' personal concerns. Our troops are always remembered in her uplifting reflections. Betty's inspirational prayers are rooted in her strong faith – a faith that was developed while facing life's challenges head on.

Born in Longview, WA on December 3rd 1932, she dealt with these challenges even in childhood, spending much time at boarding schools away from family. After Betty's first 3 years in high school at Holy Angel's Academy in Seattle, she moved to Oakland, and completed her senior year at Holy Names Central High School. Interestingly, both she and our Sally Wiley graduated from Holy Names. After graduation, Betty attended nursing college in San Francisco. After several years of nursing she switched to dental assisting. While working for a San Francisco dentist, she studied and obtained her board certification from U C San Francisco.

In 1958, Betty married Roger Hertz. They made their first home in Santa Maria, CA. Betty worked as a nursing assistant helping a doctor open his first practice. She and the doctor soon discovered that they were both from the Seattle area and had attended schools taught by the same Dominican nuns. Betty and Roger returned to the bay area where Betty was engaged in a number of occupations before and after her daughter Liz was born. These included selling Avon, dental assisting and working as a long distance operator.

When Liz was 3, Betty was hired by Bank of America. Over her 29 years with Bank of America, Betty advanced from her initial position as part-time teller to corporate officer. Her career included many facets of banking up to managing a local branch. She authored a training manual for the bank which was used to consolidate branch loans to a central location.

In 1978, Betty and Roger purchased a service station in Markleeville. She vividly recalls her 19 years of winter commutes from Markleeville over Luther Pass to the Bank of America branch in South Lake Tahoe. Betty and our Robin Reedy worked together at this branch for a short time.

Betty and Roger relocated to Gardnerville. They were married 45 years before his passing. She now resides in Gardnerville with Liz. Betty describes herself as a "non-political person" who was introduced to SNRW by Donna Baushke. Betty found luncheons speakers very informative. An active member of Saint Gall Catholic Church, she noticed that other members of St. Gall are part of our SNRW group. After officially joining SNRW, Betty initially served as Sunshine Chair. SNRW has been enriched by the talent and life experience Betty has brought to our chaplaincy.

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