

June 2013



President's Corner

Ah, another beautiful Spring day! Although, the last time I said that it snowed the next day. Oh, well. We had another most enlightening program in May, thanks to our 1st Vice President-Program, Shari James. University Regent, Ron Knecht, gave a most informative, interesting, and educational presentation. He explained what a Regent is and what they do. The Nevada System of Higher Education includes eight Public Higher Education Institutions (UNR, UNLV, Nevada State College, College of Southern Nevada, Great Basin College, Truckee Meadows Community College, Western Nevada College, and Desert Research Institute). The 13 Regents of the Governing Board oversee an annual budget of \$1.721 billion. Regent Knecht then discussed the breakdown of funding for K-12 schools, human services, state spending, personal income, higher education and a few other smaller programs. I'm sure we all came away with a better understanding of our educational budget and how the system works. Thank you, Ron.

NvFRW Vice President Sherry Dilley spoke on several issues facing women in politics. First, she urged everyone to help increase members in NvFRW clubs. If every person brought in one new member, we would have a very significant force in legislative issues. Since women make up 57% of the voting population, it is extremely important to have a strong base. Ms Dilley then discussed the importance of getting more women into office. There is an NvFRW state program to help any woman who wants to enter the political arena. Contact Sherry to get additional information.

Before our next meeting, we will be celebrating Memorial Day. Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is a day of remembrance for those who have died in our nation's service. There are many stories as to its actual beginning; however, there is evidence that organized women's groups in the South were decorating graves before the end of the Civil War. The first official observance was on May 30, 1868, when flowers were placed on the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery. So, as you celebrate Memorial Day, remember all who have fallen to protect this wonderful Country, and proudly fly your flag. Proper etiquette is to fly the flag at half staff until noon, the last Monday in May.

I look forward to seeing you at the June meeting. Remember to bring a guest.

Happy Memorial Day!

**Nancy Jarvis
2013 SNRW President**



June 12 — Sierra Nevada Republican Women’s Membership Lunch Meeting with guest speaker Diane Beinschroth, a International speaker and coach, facilitating leadership seminars for thousands around the world. Join us at our June luncheon/meeting at Tahoe Ridge Winery Marketplace & Bistro, 1644 Highway 395, Minden on Wednesday, June 12. Buffet opens at 11:30 A.M. and meeting begins promptly at 12:00 noon. Cost of luncheon is \$15.00 (includes tax and tip).



RSVP by 12 noon Monday June 10 to Jan Muzzy at 775-267-6744 or lmuzzy@pyramid.net.

June 5 – Douglas County Republican Women Club Meeting, Carson Valley Inn, Minden. Social 11 a.m., Hot Buffet-Lunch Meeting 11:45 a.m. Program: Judge Michael Gibbons, John Giomi and Cassandra Jones from Douglas County SAFE (Special Advocates for Elders, discussing program & related issues, court cases & guardianships). Contact: Julie Moore, 1-775-636-7713 or email: jmoore6914@charter.net.

June 13—Douglas County Republican Central Committee meet Thursday June 13 at DCRCC Headquarters, 1609 U.S. Highway 395, Minden (next to Flip Flop Consignment Shop) 7:00 p.m. Information contact Chairman: Marco Caldana 775-782-6535.

Getting to Know Claudi Broquist. Bill and I began looking for property, in the Carson Valley, in the early 90’s. We made the “big” move to Gardnerville from West Covina, California in 1996, much to the dismay of family & friends. The decision was difficult but the result the best. We have two children and three grandchildren still in So Cal and our middle son lives in Minden. I was very active in organizations involved in philanthropic endeavors - as a Member, Board Member, and Events Chairperson. These projects made me the person I am today - - dedicated.



Coming to a new place challenged me to try something new – channel my efforts in a new direction, politics.

My new friends introduced me to Sierra Nevada Republican Women, of which I am a grateful member. It afforded me the opportunity to some amazing people. I am proud to say that I worked on the campaigns for James Settelmeyer, State Senator, District 17; Jim Wheeler, State Assemblyman, District 39 and Barry Penzel, County Commissioner Vice Chairman. I am proud to be a Nevadan, a Republican and an active member of this organization.

Claudi Broquist

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Suzanne Colyer and Coletta Neuens, both are Gardnerville residents and neighbors.

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On behalf of the Sierra Nevada Republican Women President Nancy Jarvis and Literacy Chair Linda Ruisi donated two books to the Douglas County Public Library in Minden.

Team of Rivals the Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln, by Doris Kearns Goodwin

What Would the Founders Say?: A Patriot's Answer to America's Most Pressing Problems, by Larry E. Schweikart

Dan Doyle and Maria Pearson, both Senior Library Technicians, received the books from the SNRW on behalf of the Douglas County Public Library.

MINUTES - SIERRA NEVADA REPUBLICAN WOMEN - May 8, 2013

President Nancy Jarvis called the meeting to order at 12:06. The meeting was held at Tahoe Ridge Winery.

The invocation was led by Pat Smith. The Pledge to the Flag was led by Commissioner Lee Bonner.

President Nancy Jarvis recognized Nevada State Federation of Republican Women 1st Vice President Sherry Dilley.

President Jarvis recognized elected officials: County Commissioners Barry Penzel, Lee Bonner and Nancy McDermid; Douglas County Assessor Doug Sonnemann; Douglas County Clerk/Treasurer Ted Thran; University Board of Regents Ron Knecht; Republican Central Committee Vice Chair Mary Porter; Douglas County Republican Women President Virginia Starrett; School Board Trustee Sharla Hales; and Gardnerville Ranchos General Improvement District Trustee Shari James.

President Jarvis recognized two members who have recently joined: Joyce and Jack Richardson. She also recognized guest Sharon Calvert.

President Jarvis recognized Parliamentarian Sharon O'Berg, serving today as Kathryn Zogorski in unavailable.

President Jarvis announced the Nevada Federation of Republican Women Board Meeting, May 17-18. The actual board meeting is May 18, during which there will be a special lunch to honor a special person. President Jarvis encouraged all to attend the board meeting, and especially the lunch. Cost is \$20 for lunch, the whole day is \$45. This will be held at Carson Valley Inn.

PROGRAM

Program Chair Shari James introduced Ron Knecht, this month's speaker.

Shari James introduced the next guest speaker, Sherry Dilley. Sherry described an effort underway to double membership of Republican Women Clubs and to elect

Republican women to office. On May 17 from 2:45 to 4:45, free of charge, Senator Cegavske will lead a session at Carson Valley Inn teaching Republican women how to run for office.

Shari James announced next month's speaker, Diane Beinschroth, a dynamic Christian motivational speaker who encourages people to follow their dreams.

Club Business. Minutes were published in newsletter. No objections were raised; they will be approved and put on file.

Treasurer's Reports Treasurer Jan Muzzy

Current bank account balance is \$ 7,185.31. Total assets are \$7,385.31.

Sustainability Drawing Shari James \$75. Winner was Nancy McDermid. She donated the winnings back to the club.

Constitutional Committee; Central Committee Valley Vice Chair Mary Porter: President Nancy attended Minden Elementary School Constitution Committee event. It was extremely successful. Teri Jamin from the school board joined the event.

Mary asked for anyone from Precinct 15 to attend the Central Committee meeting tomorrow as Precinct 15 is currently unrepresented. She also called for volunteered to serve at headquarters.

Tomorrow evening's meeting will be a social at 7, meeting at 7:30. All are invited to join in.

Literacy Committee

Linda Ruisi and Nancy Jarvis will be donating books to the Douglas County Library.

Caring for America/Military Update

Sally Wiley

Sally passed the hat around this month for proceeds to go to the Honor Flight, funding trips to Washington D.C. for WWII vets to visit the World War II Monument. Year to date, the mailings to our troops have cost \$913. She is still waiting for the MediVac unit to arrive in Afghanistan to send more packages.

Commission Update

Nancy McDermid

Nancy explained how the SNRW club came into existence. When she was in the Lake Tahoe Republican Women's Club, the five commissioners always came to the meetings, which adjourned promptly at 1:00 so the commissioners could be at their meetings at 1:30. When she moved to the valley, the Sierra Nevada Republican Women's Club came into existence as a club that would end by 1:00.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharla Hales





SPECIAL NvFRW PROJECTS – Sherry Dilley

As I mentioned at your May meeting we have embarked on a special project not to just increase membership but also increase the Federation influence and to get women elected to office.

There was a time when a phone call from any national or club president got immediate results. Now we just get ignored.

The most important thing we need to do to be a force again is to bring in new members.

If each of us bought in one new member we would double our membership right away. Numbers count when getting the attention

of elected officials. The NFRW use to be the largest woman's lobbying group in the country. That got their attention.

This isn't just an NvFRW project it is an NFRW project also. By this, we mean you need to contact all Republican women out side of Nevada that you know and encourage them to join their local club. No club for them, then ask them join your club. It does not matter where they live as long as they are a registered Republican. Go after your mothers, daughters, granddaughters, sisters and sisters in laws. Be sure you ask your friends and neighbors.

We can take on this project if you are willing to step up and get the federation back on track.

Here are some ideas for making your clubs more productive:

- Get more young people and business people to join.

- Maybe rotate meeting times---lunch or evening.

- Do more leadership training.

- Look into finding women candidates and support them all the way to their filing for the primary. We could have a woman in place by the next election in two years.

- Form youth cadets or something similar for girls to young to vote.

The second part of this project is to train Republican women to run for and be elected to public office.

Let's find the women that want to run for office and provide the training and support they will need to succeed.

We can do it by really wanting to have the best candidate be a woman.

Come on members, start recruiting and tell us about the ladies and help us get them elected.

We have a slogan for these projects that will get everyone's attention. It is a really good rally call.

WOMEN=RESULTS

We can use this on shirts, car license plate frames and printed materials such as bumper stickers.

We can do this if we really want to change the election results instead of sitting back and letting the establishment keep losing for us.

REMEMBER! WOMEN=RESULTS



Recommended Reading, the Constitution Committee

Since summer is approaching, perhaps you soon will have elementary school age children or grandchildren at your home all day. If so, introduce them to one of Jean Fritz' great books, Shh! We're Writing the Constitution, G.P. Putnam, 1987. It is so very readable by children in grades 4 through 7. The illustrations in the book by Tomie

de Paola are treasures.

Jean Fritz, now 97 years of age, and a very well regarded children's author, describes the personalities of our founding fathers including George Washington, James Madison, and Benjamin Franklin. She also explains why people were opposed to the formation of a "national" government and why the "Bill of Rights," outlining the freedoms of the nation's people, was necessary.

The Constitution Committee makes this recommendation following our recent trip to Minden Elementary School, as well as to C.C. Meneley, Scarselli and Gardnerville Elementary Schools a few months ago. The Constitutional Conventions held at these schools are described in other SNRW newsletter articles. Introducing our children and grandchildren to our Constitution, the extraordinary document that concisely defines how our government operates, is an obligation that continues for Americans from generation to generation. Author Jean Fritz makes this obligation a very enjoyable one.

Mary Porter

Constitutional Convention at Minden Elementary School

On May 6, 2013 SNRW's Constitution Committee held a Constitutional Convention for fifth graders at Minden Elementary School. Commissioner Barry Penzel, President Nancy Jarvis, Robin Reedy and Mary Porter were joined by Douglas County School Board Member, Teri Jamin for the event. Principal Barry Stoll and fifth grade teachers Marlene Moyer, Claudia Bertolone-Smith and Pamela Ertel also were convention delegates.

The convention at Minden was the fourth one held by SNRW at our elementary schools during this school year. Watching the fifth graders search the pocket Constitutions that have been distributed to them is a source for American pride.



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- Do NOT use e-mail if your message requires an urgent response or is time sensitive. Pick up the phone
- Don't abuse your custodianship of an e-mail distribution list for other than the purpose it was intended
- **Use "bcc" for broadcast e-mails to keep the header size smaller and to keep recipient e-mails private**
- Recipients listed in the "To" address block are expected to take some sort of action on the message. Use the "cc" (courtesy copy) address block for those who need to be informed but not expected to take action
- When forwarding an e-mail – with the permission of the originator - strip the header of prior recipient e-mail addresses unless they're relevant, but do not edit the content
- Do not continue an e-mail exchange when there has been a misunderstanding or offense has been taken. Pick up the phone or make a personal visit.

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