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#### HAPPY ELEPHANT HOUR

The third Thursday of each month, WVRWF members gather at a local watering hole for wine and wine.

These popular events give our members the opportunity to gather with like-minded Conservatives.

Watch for times and locations!



IT DOES NOT TAKE A MAJORITY TO PREVAIL – BUT AN IRATE, TIRELESS MINORITY; KEEN ON SETTING BUSHFIRES OF FREEDOM IN THE MINDS OF MEN.

#### SAMUEL ADAMS

# SAVE THE DATE:

### Thurs., March 15: March for the Troops!

Learn how you can give back to the heroes who have bravely served our country.

Guest Speaker: Claire L. Hope, Founder and CEO of Stand Down Ventura County

Hyatt Westlake Hotel, 5:30 pm

RSVP by March 8 to Nichols.donnell@gmail.com

## Wed., April 11: Happy Elephant Hour

Zin Bistro, Westlake Village, 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

To become a member or for more information, visit www.wvrwf.org

# Wed., April 25: Buzz Patterson, *Conduct Unbecoming*

Join the fight against the Left!

Lt. Col. Robert "Buzz" Patterson USAF (Ret.), author of *Conduct Unbecoming*, shares *How Barack Obama is Destroying the Military and Endangering Our Security*.

Westlake Village Inn's Wine Cellar, 5:30 pm

RSVP by April 18 to Nichols.donnell@gmail.com

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Robert Frost has always been one of my favorite poets. Ever since I "took the road less traveled by", I have believed in the words of Robert Frost. Who remembers "Mending Wall"? Frost says "Good fences make good neighbors". However...

"Before I built a wall I'd ask to know what I was walling in or walling out. And to whom I was like to give offence. Something there is that doesn't love a wall, that wants it down"

Not sure if this is what Frost intended, but it is clear to me that the "something that doesn't love a wall" is a democrat. Personally I am all for the wall. That may be because I am all for the President who

wants to build the wall. There is a wall between my neighbor's house and mine and it works quite well keeping my dogs out of his yard and his 2-year-old out of my hair. No one is "given offence." It makes sense.

Israel has a wall- a 425 mile barrier for protection and security. It is widely reported that Mexico has a fortified wall on the Guatemala border. Why can't we have a wall? Expensive? Yes - but is it as expensive as the lives of the many American citizens who are killed, raped and robbed by illegal immigrants?

I want our wall to be so high as to provide a dam for the thousands of tears wept by the Kate Steinle family or as deep as the anger of the family of Colts

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linebacker Edwin Jackson recently killed by an illegal immigrant DUI. I want our wall to be as long as the list of illegal immigrants our tax payer dollars are paying to house in our prisons. If need be, let there be graffiti on it that will explain about over-

> crowded classrooms and how Americans are paying for the health care for the many people who have come to this country illegally. Where did the word *illegal* get lost? Talk to some of the many *legal* immigrants who have worked hard to achieve their American citizenship and probably know more about our constitution than either you or I do. They want a wall, because coming here illegally is illegal.

As Republicans, I believe we all support our President's wish to have a wall. I know what I am "walling out", Mr. Frost. I am walling out members of MS-13 who would do me harm. I am walling out the McDonald's workers who have taken our teenager's summer jobs. I am walling out the long waiting time in the ER while I watch someone whose medical bill I will pay on April 15. I am walling out the cocaine and opioids that are killing our kids. I am walling out the more than 1,000 illegal immigrants who are arrested at our border every day.

I'm not inhospitable and I want to say, "Come on in!" to those who do so legally. But in the meantime, "good fences make good neighbors"!

God Bless! -Dale

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#### NEW MEMBERS

As of October 2017, the WVRWF has gained **27 new members**! On January 24, 2018, the wonderful Karen Wetterlind graciously hosted the New Members Reception in her beautiful home. We began the evening with the Pledge of Allegiance and celebrated our patriotism with food, drink, and our Republican origin stories.



# Welcome New Members! 🗮

Klara Bergman Estelle Botelle Lisa Carignan Delores Chantra Jennifer Chebi Candace Coleman Filomena D'Amore Lucy Dodge Patricia Duggan Ondrea Faillace Patricia Fleury Nancy Grand Judith Hoover Grace Jacobsen Rose Jenkins Jackie Jevtic Denise Leeper Thelma Lyden Leslie McDondugh Diane Manson Nancy Mowery Ariana Perfecto Nancy Perry John Perry Jennifer Silverstein Angie Simpson Loretta Wolgat

# Happy Birthdays! 👘

Jennifer Chebi 1/17 Lucy Dodge 1/28 Judith Hoover 2/7 Gloria Spencer 2/14 Pamela Johnson 3/11 Leora Lewis 3/13 Loretta Wolgat 3/28

#### **NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT**



Jennifer Chebi

Jennifer Chebi grew up in Westlake Village and currently resides in Oak Park with her husband, Eric, and their newly adopted puppy, Bailey. Jennifer is a REALTOR® at Aviara Real Estate and has been marketing and selling homes in CA since 1999. Jennifer is passionate about marketing, is an avid cyclist and is a bigtime Trump supporter. She volunteers her marketing and event coordination talents for several local charity organizations including Project Hero and Kiwanis Club of Conejo Valley where she received the Distinguished Service Award for 2016-2017.

#### 2018 Congressional Candidates

Disregard for the rule of law, disrespect for the Nation's flag, and increased development of the welfare state. The Republican women of Westlake Village are fed up with the Left's destruction of California and the entire United States; and they are doing something about it.

These patriotic women rang in the New Year with two of our Republican candidates for the 26<sup>th</sup> District of the U.S. Congress to replace Julia Brownly. These candidates believe in America First (a now radical concept) and are ready to fight for it.

ANTONIO SABATO, JR.



Antonio Sabato, Jr. was the guest speaker at a dinner event held at the Hyatt Hotel in Westlake Village where he shared his bright vision for the future of Ventura County. Mr. Sabato, Jr., who immigrated to the U.S. at age 12 with his family from Italy, shared that his proudest moment has been receiving citizenship to the greatest country on Earth. This is a moment that Mr. Sabato, Jr. wishes for all *legal* immigrants to experience.

He strongly supports our President's agenda to strengthen our nation's immigration policy and put Americans first. JEFFREY BURUM



Jeffrey Burum attended a WVRWF meeting held at Bellini's in Westlake Village and shared his campaign strategy. Mr. Burum believes that his career as a CPA and his military experience in the U.S. Air Force have given him the qualifications necessary to run for Congress.

Mr. Burum's agenda includes working to improve the lives and care of veterans in Ventura County, something WVRWF continuously fights for.

Please note that, in keeping with our Bylaws, WVRWF is not endorsing either Republican candidate. We will make our individual choices during the primary.

REMEMBER TO VOTE FOR OUR REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES IN THE PRIMARY ON JUNE 5 IN ORDER TO PREVENT ONLY THE TWO LEADING VOTE GETTERS FROM APPEARING ON THE BALLOT. WE NEED A REPUBLICAN ON THE BALLOT.

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#### TRAVIS ALLEN: TAKE BACK CALIFORNIA!



#### "WE ARE THE SUPERMAJORITY IN CALIFORNIA THAT WILL BE SILENT NO LONGER!"

The WVRWF hosted a beautful sold-out dinner event at the Westlake Village Inn on February 16, 2018 to welcome Republican candidate for California governor, Travis Allen. Mr. Allen spoke to an audience of over 100 men and women about his plan for action as governor. The current California State Assemblymen dauntlessly stated what we have all been feeling: "this state has been neglected and bled dry by the California Democrats."

His plan to take back California from the Democrats includes repeal of the SB1 gas tax, introduction of pro-parent choice legislation to improve the education of our children, completion of the State Water Project, and making our streets safe by keeping criminals inside of prisons where they belong.

Mr. Allen, a strong supporter of President Trump, also pushes for stronger immigration policy to keep *illegal* immigrants out and *legal* immigrants in. Mr. Allen was born and raised in the same border town of San Diego as I was, and in that town the horrifying effects of relaxed immigration policies are plain to see. We know firsthand how important it is to secure our borders and what this will mean for the ordinary people of California.

Mr. Allen's term as governor will be a desperately needed blood transfusion for the State of California, which has been poluted by the destructive policies of Governor Jerrry Brown and the Democrats for far too long. We are taking California back!

Special thanks to the fabulous Donnell Nichols, whose tireless efforts and impecable taste made this event possible. And to our President, Dale Thomas, for fearlessly leading the WVRWF into battle!

Ariana M. Perfecto, Editor

#### IN THE NEWS

#### WHY CITIZENSHIP COULD BE A QUESTION ON THE 2020 CENSUS

By Susan Shelley, LA Dailey News



The Trump administration wants the Census to include a question about citizenship, and Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross has until April 1 to decide if it will.

It has been 68 years since the official U.S. Census inquired about citizenship. The question was dropped after 1950, but in December, the Justice Department sent a letter to the Census Bureau requesting the citizenship question in the 2020 Census.

The Justice Department said it needs the information to comply with the Voting Rights Act. The department is required to protect voting rights and prevent racial discrimination in the drawing of congressional districts.

But it may be enforcement of the National Voter Registration Act, which requires maintenance of accurate voter lists, that will be most affected by the citizenship question.

The state of California and the county of Los Angeles are currently being sued by Judicial Watch and the Election Integrity Project California over the failure to maintain accurate and up-to-date voter registration records. Judicial Watch calculated that in Los Angeles County, 144 percent of the citizen voting-age population is registered to vote.

Secretary of State Alex Padilla recently told the editorial board of this newspaper that Judicial Watch was using inaccurate population numbers to arrive at that figure. He said they were bad at math and methodology.

But if the 2020 Census asks every household about citizenship status, there will be an accurate count, or at least a count on which the government is required to rely, of the citizen voting-age population in every state, county and district. Those figures can be compared to the voter registration records.

This isn't necessarily a story about illegal immigration. Non-citizens who are legal permanent residents could easily be registered to vote under the "motor voter" law. In California, a new law requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to automatically register every eligible person to vote when they complete any transaction at the DMV, unless they fill out a form to opt out. How many non-citizens have inadvertently become registered voters?

We may find out.

The Census, which is required by the U.S. Constitution, counts the population every 10 years, and the numbers are used to apportion congressional seats. States that have gained population can pick up an extra representative or two, while states that have seen an exodus can lose them.

So politicians are anxious to see that everyone is counted. In addition to congressional representation, hundreds of billions of dollars in federal funds for various programs are divided up based on the Census tally. In Los Angeles, Mayor Eric Garcetti has just issued an executive directive on census preparations, establishing the "Mayor's Office of the Census" within his budget office. "It is more important than ever to make sure that all Angelenos are counted regardless of citizenship," he wrote. His words reflect the concern that immigrants, fearful of the federal government, may refuse to participate in the Census.

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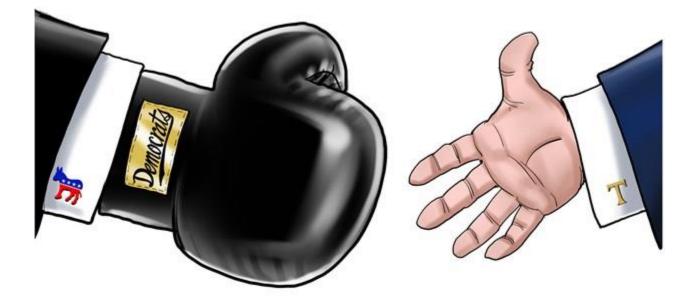
So the directive calls for each city department to designate a "census liaison" and provide its database of Los Angeles addresses to the City Engineer by March 1 "for the purpose of compiling a Master Address File for the federal Local Update of Census Addresses program."

Some of the departments directed to turn over their address databases for the federal program are Housing and Community Investment, Police, Economic and Workforce Development, and Water and Power.

Strange. If the Census Bureau had asked for that information, California probably would have sued them.

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#### COMMUNITY OUTREACH

#### **Literacy Project 2017**

By Julia Bach, Chairwoman for Literacy

Since 2017 was my second year serving as Literacy Chairwoman for the WVRWF, I had learned enough about the process to tackle a theme-specific project for 2017. When I visited the Conejo Elementary Library in 2016 to donate books, the librarian, Laura Collett, mentioned that she would love to replace/update her biographies on the Presidents. Ms. Collett had 21 Republican biographies she wanted to replace, costing slightly less than \$400. I decided this would be my project for 2017.

During our Fall Dinner on September 13, 2017, we raised money for the book in three different ways. The first method was through President sponsorship. I printed sheets with the 21 presidents' names on them along with



interesting trivia about each one. Anyone who wanted to sponsor a specific president could donate to the purchase price of the corresponding book (\$21) and the donor's name would be printed on the bookplate inside of the book. The second way was through the purchase of raffle tickets for prizes. The prizes consisted of Republican books and a copy of Susan Shelley's book, our guest speaker that evening. The final way was through donation in any amount.

The members and their guests donated \$210 to sponsor specific presidential books, and the club decided to purchase the rest of the books with the club budget. The raffle and donations raised an additional \$225. One of the books I purchased using the

donations was *Geronimo Stilton: The Kingdom of Fantasy* by Elisabetta Dami. I had the pleasure of reading this book aloud to a class at the library when I delivered the books on October 23. The other books I purchased were *Little House in the Big Woods*, by Laura Ingalls Wilder and *Women Heroes of the Revolution* by Susan Casey.

#### Volunteers Needed

Please reach out and help make us the best club in Ventura County. We know there is a great deal of talent within the membership and we hope to have more people involved. There is a role for every member to play.

WVRWF members managed the Republican Voter Registration booth at the Ventura County Fair on August 11. "The response we received from Fair attendees was so positive," said Board Member Karen Wetterlind. "We were even able to get a few democrats to re-register as Republicans!"



Registering Republican voters is one of the most important efforts we need to make as a club and we hope to continue this effort into 2018 in various locations in our community.

Please contact Dale Thomas at dale91377@aol.com or (818) 257-2358 if you would like to serve.

#### How to Reach Your Legislators

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# CFRW Southern Division Candidate Forum & Luncheon

and Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, March 7, 2018 10 am – 2 pm

# Yes, we can SAVE California! Come meet our great Republican candidates

# For Governor

<u>*Travis Allen*</u> is the current state Assemblyman for CA District 72 since 2012. Prior to being elected, Travis was a financial planner.

*John Cox* is an accountant, successful businessman and broadcaster residing in San Diego.

**Doug Ose** is a former Congressman from CA District 3 and a successful businessman in the Sacramento area.

# <u>For Attorney General</u>

<u>Judge Steven Bailey</u> was an El Dorado County Superior Court Judge since 2009, and has retired to run for Attorney General.

*Eric Early* is the managing partner with Early Sullivan Wright Gizer & McRae, LLP.

# For U.S. Senate

*Erin Cruz* is a Constitutional conservative known for commentary, strategy and analysis of multiple policy areas. She is the author of *Revolution America: Communication Toolbox for the Modern Conservative American Woman.* 

*John Estrada* is a business owner and Republican activist and been a campaign manager for two candidates.

*Paul Taylor* is a conservative Republican and supporter of President Trump.

# For Secretary of State

<u>Mark Meuser</u> Entrepreneur owning his first business at 21 and is a practicing attorney specializing in civil litigation.

## Wednesday, March 7, 2017 ~ 10 am – 2 pm Luncheon \$35

Doubletree by Hilton, 555 West Foothill Blvd, Claremont, CA 91711 (free parking)

#### Pre-Paid Reservation Required by February 28, 2018

Mail your \$35 check, payable to CFRW Southern Division (to be received by February 28) to:

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