



## The Trumpet

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### **California Counts**

#### by Dale Thomas WVRWF President

It has been a long time since anyone paid any attention to California's elections. Always late to the finish line, the general election has usually been called even while Californians are still voting. With our Primary changed to March of 2024 the focus is a little different this time. Proof being in the appearance of Ron DeSantis, Tim Scott and Donald Trump at the recent CAGOP Convention in Anaheim. Republican presidential candidates courting California voters. Apparently, this time, California counts.



Winning over the base in California could mean winning all 169 delegates at stake in our March primary — the biggest prize of any state and about 14% of the estimated total 1,234 needed to become the Republican nominee. The state party changed its rules in July to a winner-take-all system statewide, instead of dividing delegates by congressional district.

In California, Donald Trump has the loyal support of most of the party. In a Public Policy Institute of California poll this week, Trump came in at 48% among Republican likely voters — just short of the 50% plus one he needs to get all the delegates. DeSantis is the only other candidate in double digits, at 14%.

All indications are that Donald Trump will be the Republican nominee from our

party. The issue becomes can he win the general election. Polls are hugely variable on this topic. Whoever our nominee is it is critical for the future of our country, our republic, our party, and most importantly our children, that we replace the progressive socialist movement that threatens to destroy us.

We have seen what happens with our state and federal administrations. The solution may be the candidate but the real solution is in getting out the vote. We have to get people to the polls on election day. **Get the word out. Do your part and make California count.** 

*God bless, Dale* 

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## Flags, Diamonds, & Flip Flops - July 11, 2023

On July 11th members and guests enjoyed a summer evening with dinner, drinks and great friends.







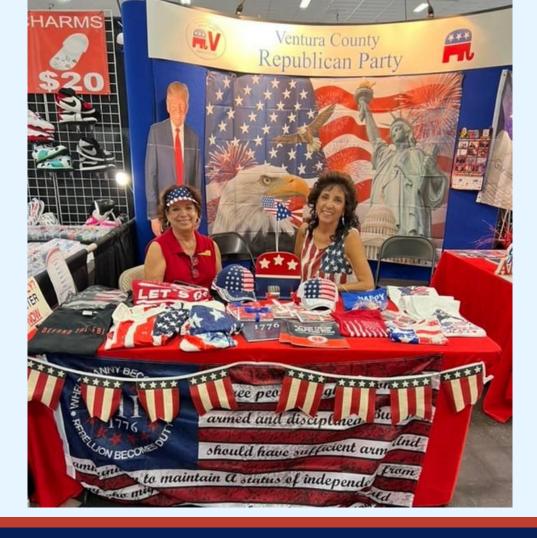




Westlake Village Republican Women, Karen Wetterlind and Barbara Tuuri, enjoying themselves with some familiar friends at the GOP Primary Debate after party



WVRWF Volunteering and making friends at the Ventura County Fair



## Happy Hour with Kira Davis September 19, 2023

**WVRWF** and friends enjoyed an evening meeting **Kira Davis** - author, podcast host, and all around great advocate for conservative values.

Kira discussed her recent book "Drawing Lines: Why Conservatives Must Begin to Battle Fiercely in the Arena of Ideas." Kira advocated for taking back the control of School Boards from far Left activists, and the importance of getting all conservatives to VOTE!

To learn more about Kira, visit her website linked below.



Visit Kira's Website







# The Elephant in the Room by Paula Parsons

#### We are a Community

I was on Maui the week the fires savagely destroyed Lahaina Town; taking with it the lives of families, too many children; and wiping away generational family homes. Only one and a half miles away, we didn't know the full extent of the destruction until we started getting bits and pieces of information from the sparse few who could get a few seconds of cell service every now and then.

All the roads from Kaanapali were closed due to downed power lines and trees. Then Lahaina Town was quickly locked down from everyone. Those of us lucky enough to not be in the fire's path wanted to help, but didn't know how. We were without power or cell service for days.

I observed people connecting with strangers in ways that they hadn't for a long time. Talking, sharing what food or supplies they had, repeatedly saying "we are in this together." I recognized this to be our humanity – the way we are supposed to interact with our fellow humans.

There was a vibe to it. Everyone gravitated to it. When the road opened in one direction toward the airport, people wanted to stay, still not knowing when there would be electricity and cell service again. Unfortunately, in our ideologically and politically divided society – it's our sense of community that is often missing. In the face of tragedy people became a community again.

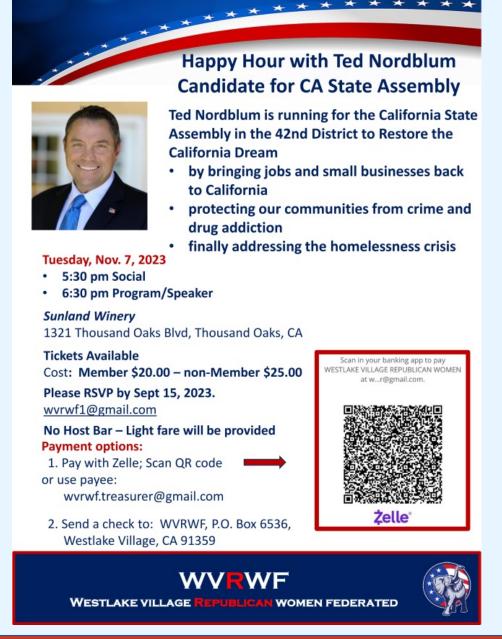
Just like we did after the 9/11 attacks. Just like we did after the Northridge earthquake. Just like we did after the Woolsey fires.

With each day, we are seeing the attack and erosion of our traditions, our institutions, and people in the name of progressive liberalism. Although not as emergent as a terrorist attack or fire – the destruction of our communities is happening. We need to keep reaching out, stay in touch and stand together, and keep our community thriving and strong.

## WVRWF Upcoming Events

November 7 - Happy Hour with Ted Nordblum

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Save the Date! Kick of the Holidays in Style with WVRWF

Annual Holiday Luncheon at the beautiful Lake Sherwood Country Club Wednesday December 6th, 2023

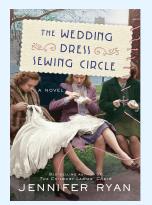
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An Elephant Never Forgets WVRWF Book Club





Warm summer days are perfect for relaxing with a book. Our book club, **Elephants Never Forget**, had three great selections this summer.

We read the "*Wedding Dress Sewing Circle"* by Jennifer Ryan for our May/June selection.

Review by Book Club member, Mary Genstil: "The novel takes place in a small town in England during WWII, following the lives of three very different women which overlap when they join together in a sewing circle. Their purpose is to salvage wedding gowns for English women wanting to get married in something other than a uniform.

We met at the lovely home of Karen Wetterlind. Julia Bach, our chairman, led us in the book discussion. Most liked the book very much and had some interesting ideas about the main characters' future lives."



We continued into summer with some very relevant reading for current times.

Our July selection was *"Drawing Lines: Why Conservatives Must Begin to Battle Fiercely in the Arena of Ideas,"* by Kira Davis.

Kira was our guest speaker the Happy Hour September 19, 2023. She shared her personal insights into the current political and cultural landscape - and why it is time to "draw our line in the sand."



Our next selection is "You Will Own Nothing" by Carol Roth.

When Carol Roth first heard that one of the World Economic Forum's predictions for 2030 was "You will own nothing, and be happy," she thought it was an outlandish fantasy. Then, she researched it.

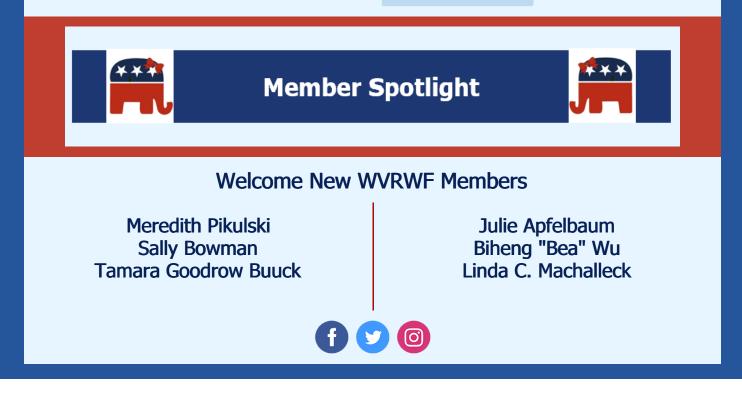
In You Will Own Nothing, Roth reveals how the agendas of Wall Street, world governments, international organizations, socialist activists, and multinational corporations like Blackrock all work together to reduce the power of the dollar and prevent millions of Americans from taking control of their wealth. She shows why owning fewer assets makes you poorer and less free. This book is essential guide to protecting your hard-earned wealth for the coming generations.

#### About our Elephants Never Forget Book Club:

We get together to discuss books, but also to socialize, munch on delicious refreshments, and discuss current events, so come and join us even if you haven't read the book! You can contact me at julialbach@gmail.com to find out when and where the next book club is being held, but we generally meet on the first Thursday of the month at 5PM. Come join us!

For more Book Club information - see our section on the **WVRWF Events** page.

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