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WVRW Board of Directors want to express our gratitude for your dedication, hard work and incredible faith and perseverance throughout the past four years. Your commitment, teamwork and support for us and our Presidential candidate have been truly remarkable, and we are thankful for all of you.

We wish you a happy and safe holiday, filled with relaxation, happiness, and the company of loved ones. Take this time to recharge and enjoy the festive season.

We look forward to working together to restore, transform and reinvigorate California and our beloved United States!



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Save the Date!
Republican Women
Invite you and your friends to attend An Inaugural Ball



Details will be coming soon. Watch our Events Page for more information to come and to RSVP now. Don't wait!

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WESTLAKE VILLAGE REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Coffee and Conservatives

Join us for Fellowship, Friendship
and of course, A SIP of delicious coffee and food!

Location: The Stonehaus, Coffee House & Bar
32039 Agoura Rd, Westlake Village,
CA 91361

Date: Third Tuesday of each Month

Next Meeting: January 21, 2025

Time: 9:00 am – 10:30 am



Come as you are and Bring your friends!

Coffee and food available for purchase



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WVRW Annual Holiday Luncheon
December 4, 2024

Our 2024 Holiday Boutique and Party at the beautiful Lake Sherwood Country Club. We had more than 100 attendees treated to flowing champagne, exquisite shopping, and as always, the food was delicious. Many of our new members were in attendance and we all had a great time!

Special Guests included singer Nancy Osborne leading us in Christmas Carols, another visit from Kamala (Roxanne Hoge), and of course DJT and JD!

What a great way to Kick off the Holidays and celebrate the win for our country!





WVRW Book Club 'An Elephant Never Forgets'
Fourth Annual Holiday Cookie Exchange
December 5, 2024

WVRW Book Club enjoying some casual time together with cookies, a book exchange, and a new signature cocktail - the MAHA-tini.



MAHA-tini

(no additives, no preservatives, no artificial colors)

- 2 oz Vodka
- 2 oz Limoncello made with organic, locally grown* lemons
- 3 oz fresh squeezed, organic, locally grown* orange juice

Shake over ice and strain into glass

Garnish with a slice of dried orange and a sprinkle of pomegranate seeds

* (like 50 feet out the back door)



Looking back at our WVRW Fall Events

This fall, WVRW's hard-working Board and Committee Members provided multiple events for our membership - to be informed regarding election integrity, the TRUTH about the propositions, Candidate forums; and provided secure ballot drop-off.

How Safe is My Vote? September 4, 2024

Ventura County Supervisor, Jeff Gorell, joined us to report how the Registrar of Voters office is managed and how your vote is counted.

After having met with Ventura County Clerk-Recorder & Registrar of Voters, Michelle Ascension, Ventura County Supervisor Gorell is made himself available to answer any question or concerns we had about election integrity in Ventura County.





Are You Election Ready? Be an informed Voter September 24, 2024

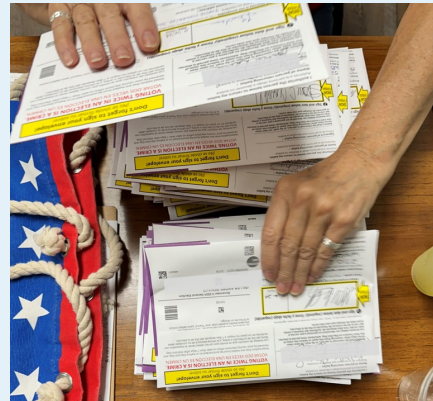
WVRW were joined by top political PAC leaders that had their finger on the pulse of California and our path to victory in 2024 and beyond. Topics included.

'What are the TOP issues facing CA Voters?,' and 'How will your vote affect your taxes, your rent, your children's education?.' We even had a surprise visit from Kamala!



BYOB - Bring Your Own Ballot
October 16, 2024

WVRW and their guests were treated to Tacos and a Margarita while they heard from local Candidates and dropped off their ballot to be taken directly to Ventura County Registrar.



The Elephant in the Room

Dec 17, 2024 Jeanne Brooks Llewellyn

It's morning again in America!

We are a little over a month since the election and the realization of what just happened is still taking shape. Americans are stepping outside like the shelling has stopped and armistice has been declared. Hope has returned to the vernacular. America watches in awe as Trump's unprecedented team steps into the light. A team who has been quietly working on a 100 day agenda long before Nov 4th, taking the stage before they're even sworn in, and changing the trajectory of foreign policy. It's a new paradigm of Government by and for the People. It's nothing short of a revolution.

Trump got 41% of the vote in Ventura County, 40% in California, and 50% across the country which gave Trump just under a 3 Million lead in the popular vote. Republicans secured a majority in the House of Representatives and the Senate ... and that, my friends, is called a TRIFECTA, a mandate, a landslide, and it means America has cast a vote for Republican Values: limited government, rule of law, individual freedom, free

markets, fiscal responsibility, peace thru strength.

Even in California, voters sent a clear message that the liberal experiment in housing, public safety, and drug policies have failed. The decades long supermajority paid lip service to policies promising reform and social justice and instead delivered a devastating rise in crime, rampant homelessness and the normalization of excessive drug use and overdosing on our city streets. This time the California Republicans were joined by Democrats who have had enough and voted to unburden California from Soros DA's, soft on crime policies, and continual attempts to lower the legislative requirements to raise our taxes.

As the country holds its collective breath waiting out the clock till Jan 20 on the Biden Administration, so too is California just trying to survive the next two years of the Newsom term. There is rumbling in the Social Media jungle that California might be prime to turn red ... imagine that. We'll need a lot of red paint to change that pony, but California will not be immune from watching the rest of the country succeed while California suffers. What will it take for California Democrats to have enough and vote to make California Great Again?

Nationally, the Democrats failed because they failed to drop the college campus buzz words of gender studies, DEI, and a relabeling of abortion as women's reproductive health for the buzz words of the adults in the room talking about safety, prosperity and legacy. More than that, America didn't buy the smear campaign against Trump that really did point back at Americans: that inflated felony convictions should destroy your life; that some suit says there is no inflation so stop complaining that butter is \$7.00; that laid-off workers should learn to code because 'global warming'.

In four years America has gone from suspicion and complete repudiation of the three letter organizations, FBI, DoJ, CDC, to a complete embracing of the new four letter acronyms, MAGA, MAHA, and DOGE. After decades of fighting in their respective silos, the outliers, who cast doubt and 'conspiracy theories' against Global Cabals plying for control of Western markets, against overt use of pesticides and toxic substances in our food and medicine, and against blatant egregious waste and fraud in our government institutions, have found common interest against a common enemy in MAGA, MAHA, and DOGE.

Something wonderful happened, at the behest of the American people via a remarkable system established 248 years ago as a hallmark of our Democratic Republic, We The People voted and everything changed overnight.

God Bless America!



An Elephant Never Forgets WVRW Book Club



WVRW Book Club's recent selections for discussion July - December 2024

The Patron Saint of Second Chances by Christine Simon

Vacuum repairman and self-appointed mayor of Prometto, Italy (population 212) Signor Speranza has a problem: unless he can come up with 70,000 euros to fix the town's pipes, the water commission will shut off the water to the village and all the residents will be forced to disperse. In a desperate bid to boost tourism—and revenue—he spreads a harmless rumor that movie star Dante Rinaldi will be filming his next project nearby.



Unfortunately, the plan works a little too well, and soon everyone wants to be a part of the fictional film—

Speranza realizes that the only way to keep up the ruse is to make the movie for real.

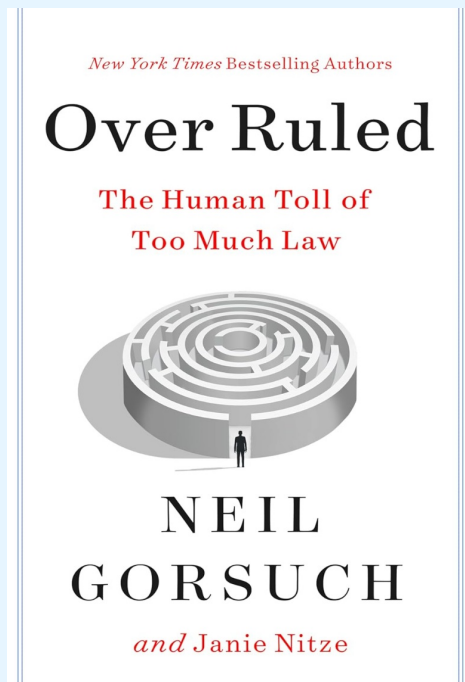
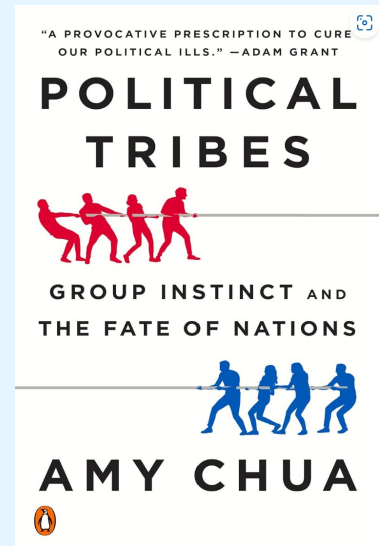
As the entire town becomes involved (even the village priest invests!), Signor Speranza starts to think he might be able to pull this off. But what happens when Dante Rinaldi doesn't show up? Or worse, what if he does?

Political Tribes: Group Instinct and the Fate of Nations, by Amy Chua

Humans are tribal. We need to belong to groups. In many parts of the world, the group identities that matter most – the ones that people will kill and die for – are ethnic, religious, sectarian, or clan-based. But because America tends to see the world in terms of nation-states engaged in great ideological battles – Capitalism vs. Communism, Democracy vs. Authoritarianism, the “Free World” vs. the “Axis of Evil” – we are often spectacularly blind to the power of tribal politics.

Time and again this blindness has undermined American foreign policy. American political elites been oblivious to the group identities that matter most to ordinary Americans – and that are tearing the United States apart.

In characteristically persuasive style, Amy Chua argues that America must rediscover a national identity that transcends our political tribes. Enough false slogans of unity, which are just another form of divisiveness. It is time for a more difficult unity that acknowledges the reality of group differences and fights the deep inequities that divide us.



Over Ruled: The human Toll of Too Much Law By Neil Gorsuch.

Over just the last few decades, laws in this nation have exploded in number; they are increasingly complex; and the punishments they carry are increasingly severe. Some of these laws come from our elected representatives, but many now come from agency officials largely insulated from democratic accountability.

Some law is essential to our lives and our freedoms. But too much law can place those very same freedoms at risk and even undermine respect for law itself. And often those who feel the cost most acutely are those without wealth, power, and status.

In *Over Ruled*, Neil Gorsuch and Janie Nitze explore these developments and the human toll so much law can carry for ordinary Americans.

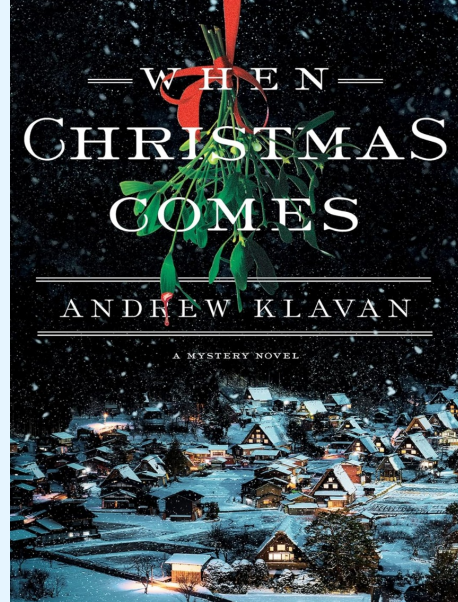
When Christmas Comes by Andrew Klavan.

A sleuthing English teacher will need a Christmas miracle

to prove a condemned man innocent in this "terrific holiday-themed novel" (Publishers Weekly Starred Review) from Edgar Award-winner Andrew Klavan.

Colorful Christmas lights dapple the family homes in the idyllic lakeside town of Sweet Haven when Jennifer Dean, a young librarian at the local elementary school, is brutally murdered.

There are witnesses and her boyfriend Travis Blake confesses to the crime... but something doesn't quite add up. Blake is a third generation Army Ranger, awarded the Silver Star for his heroism in Afghanistan—how could a beloved son of this tight-knit burgh commit such a grisly deed?

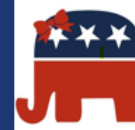


For more Book Club information - see our section on the **WVRW Events** page.

**WVRW
Events**



Member Spotlight



Harleen Roen

I found my people!! When I walked into the new WRW Headquarters in August, I knew that I was home. At a time when mentioning the word "Trump" was frowned upon by so many in my community, at last I could be proud to be a part of something important and maybe even make a small difference!

After a very full and successful career in Corporate Sales, I retired 12 years ago. I knew that giving back was what I was meant to do and finally I had the time and still so much energy to do it! I've been actively volunteering for Senior Concerns in the support of the needs of the Senior Community all this time.

Recently, I took on a new volunteer challenge becoming a Docent at the



Ronald Reagan Library.

I'm a proud mom of one son and grandmother of 2 grown grandchildren, all of whom now live in Portland Oregon. Passions, I have a few!! I happily fill my days cycling over 100 miles a week. Along the way, about 10 years ago, I created Bears to Cherish. Designing and handcrafting over 450 one-of-a-kind keepsake bears from the clothing of someone lost or to commemorate a special occasion, has given me an opportunity to discover a talent I didn't know I had and to share my heart beyond anything I could ever imagine!

You can visit my website at: <https://www.bearstogether.com/>



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