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### **CONEJO VALLEY REPUBLICAN WOMEN**



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# A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Lisa Gelinas

### Happy New Year!

I hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas and Hanukkah. A new year! A new beginning is what I like to say when January 1<sup>st</sup> rolls around once again.

There is so much to look forward to in January starting with the Inaugural Ball on January 24<sup>th</sup> at Los Robles Greens in Thousand Oaks. It will be on a first-come, first-served basis as the country club ballroom can only hold 150 guests.

There will be no general meeting this month because of the other activities and parties going on in January.

We need to keep President Trump and his family in our prayers as we transition from one administration to the next. I pray for peace and thank God that we have Donald J. Trump back in the White House.

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# JANUARY EVENTS

January 1 <sup>st</sup>	New Year's Day / Hanukkah
January 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Last Day of Hanukkah
January 13 <sup>th</sup>	CVRW Book Club
January 13 <sup>th</sup>	Thousand Oaks Planning Commission
January 14 <sup>th</sup>	Thousand Oaks City Council Meeting
January 14 <sup>th</sup>	Ventura County Board of Supervisors
January 15 <sup>th</sup>	CVUSD Board of Education Meeting
January 16 <sup>th</sup>	CVRW Board Meeting
January 20 <sup>th</sup>	Presidential Inauguration Day
January 20 <sup>th</sup>	Move the Needle Breakfast Party
January 20 <sup>th</sup>	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
January 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Ventura County Central Committee
January 24 <sup>th</sup>	Republican Women's Inaugural Ball
January 27 <sup>th</sup>	Thousand Oaks Planning Commission
January 28 <sup>th</sup>	Ventura County Board of Supervisors
January 28 <sup>th</sup>	Thousand Oaks City Council Meeting
January 31 <sup>st</sup>	VCRP Inaugural Gala Westlake Inn

### CVRW BOOK CLUB

Join us to discuss this month's book selection. The CVRW Book Club meets once a month to discuss books of all types. All members are welcome to join us, even if you haven't finished the book.

Book: "Melania" By Melania Trump

Date: Monday, January 13, 2025 Time: 1:00 pm Place: <u>Plata Cocina Mexicana</u> -170 W. Hillcrest Dr. (Next to Lazy Dog Café' at the Oaks Mall in Thousand Oaks).

If you have any questions or want to let us know that you are attending, please contact: Jill\_Delaney@live.com

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## <u>CVRW 2024 CHRISTMAS</u> <u>PARTÝ</u>

Our annual Christmas party was festive and merry...exactly what we wished for! Music, dancing, delicious food and an impressive silent auction made the evening fun for everyone.

**THANK YOU** to our dedicated Fundraising Committee Donna Strull (Chair), Marie Chodkowski, Marie Doherty and Lola Bush. Michelle Stewart and Miriam MacLeod worked together to make our silent auction a truly dazzling display of beautiful items!







### **Membership**

A brand-new year, time for brand new membership!

WELCOME to our new members! We are so excited for you to join us. It's going to be a wonderful year! Thank you to the members who renewed before the deadline and received a \$5 discount. It makes it so much easier when we get our renewals in early! If you haven't renewed, please do so by Zelling our account, or mailing a check for \$35 to PO Box 7151, Thousand Oaks, CA 91359. You do not want to miss the fun of 2025! Please invite your friends to join CVRW and come to the Inaugural Ball this month. It is not-to-be-missed!

Ruby Lifetime: Kerry Nelson Brandee Sisting

Platinum: Michelle Spencer

Gold: Nancy Smeets **Renewals:** 

Lola Bush Marie Chodkowski Jill Delaney Colleen Doran Lisa Gelinas Gina Libby Jennifer McCarthy Ruth McGettigan Jody Neill Ida O'Donoghue Beverly Switzer Suzy Toton Tiffany Wells New: Mary Ellen Donofrio Mary Ann Hazard Debra Lucero Patricia Marley Denise Pedrow Eileen Pratt Ivie Repich

> Associates: Allan Doe Larry Neill

We have three incredible events taking place in January! Please share the flyer/information about them. We look forward to celebrating with each of you!

**Event #1** is hosted by **Move The Needle** and will take place on January 20, 2025. Please see flyer below for more details.



Event #2 is being hosted by <u>Republican Women</u> from our local area and will take place on January 24, 2025. Please see the flyer below More details coming soon!



Event #3 is hosted by the <u>Ventura County Republican Party</u> and will be held on January. 31, 2025. Please see the flyer below for more details.

> VENTURA COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY PRESENTS

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JANUARY 31ST 5:00 VIP RECEPTION 6:00 GENERAL

DINNER & LIVE MUSIC BY MICHAEL FALCONE SINATRA TRIBUTE BAND FAUX CASINO TABLES

WESTLAKE VILLAGE INN 31943 AGOURA RD



\$175 GENERAL \$250 VIP RECEPTION GENERAL 10/TABLE \$1750 VIP 10/TABLE \$2500

VENTURAGOP.ORG/EVENTS

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#### CONGRESS

#### <u>Links to Republican Sites</u>

National Republican Party: http://republicannationalcommittee.org/home.html Ca. Republican Party: www.cagop.org Ventura County Party: www.venturagop.org L.A. County Party: www.lagop.org U.S. Senatorial Committee: www.nrsc.org U.S. Congressional Committee: www.nrsc.org The Federation of Republican Women has Experts to help you. When you have a question or need, go to these websites:

NFRW info: <u>nfrw.org</u> CFRW info: <u>cfrw.org</u> So Div info: <u>cfrwsoutherndivision.org</u> VCRWF info: <u>vcrwf.org</u>

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EMAILCell#	Birth Mo./Date		
SELECT desired membership level below:			
FULL Member:\$35 NEWRE	NEWAL		
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SILVER Member:\$75 Support Level + Spouse membership (SPOUSE NAME:)			
GOLD Member:\$150 Support + Spouse membership + VIP Seating (SPOUSE NAME:			
PLATINUM Member:      \$275 Support + Spouse membership + Seating at         Speaker + Table + CVRW Name Badge         (SPOUSE NAME:)			
ASSOCIATE (Spouses):\$15 (email) (SPOUSE NAME:)			
<i>FULL Student_Membership:</i> \$20 (emailed newsletter included)			
<i>SPONSOR a Student(s) Mentorship:</i> \$20 per student (emailed newsletter to student included)			
<i>Make checks payable to:</i> CVRW (Conejo Valley Republican Women) Mailing address: CVRW PO Box 7151, Thousand Oaks, CA 91359			
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