



# LEPHANT TRACKS

## CONEJO VALLEY REPUBLICAN WOMEN

### CVRW APRIL GENERAL MEETING

**When:** THURSDAY, APRIL 11

**Time:** 6:00 pm – Registration and Social Connections  
6:30 pm – Meeting business and Dinner  
7:00 pm – Guest Speaker:

**Lucie Volotzky**  
**Candidate for State Senate District 27**

Lucie will speak about her platform on parental rights, homelessness, illegal immigration, school equality, the economy and public safety.

**Place:** **Sunset Hills Country Club**  
4155 Erbes Rd., Thousand Oaks

**Cost:** Members - \$35 (*cash/Zelle/checks payable to CVRW*). *Includes chicken parmesan, salad, dessert, coffee and tea.*  
Non-Members - \$39 (*cash/Zelle/checks payable to CVRW*) *Includes chicken parmesan, salad, dessert, coffee and tea.*

*Beer, wine and cocktails available for purchase separately with credit card.*

**RSVP BY APRIL 8**  
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(Please note new email address)

### A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

*By Lisa Gelinis*

We are encouraged by our March 5<sup>th</sup> California primary on two fronts; seven candidates that we supported are in a commanding lead. These individuals are Sheryl Hall, Richard C. Lucas III, James Meyer, Tim McCarthy, Hala Maher, Dennis L. Mattock, and Sophia De Domenico. Congratulations! We are delighted that the planning, preparation, and execution to get these fine candidates on the Central Committee will ensure that our Republican candidates will be vetted for future elections. Also, Dodger legend, Steve Garvey (Rep.) and Adam Schiff, (Dem.) are in a very close race. Adam Schiff's numbers came in at 1,762,016 (32.5%) and Steve Garvey's were at 1,736,982 (32.0%). These two will be on the ballot and will run-off in November.

To the volunteers who came out to canvass neighborhoods, make phone calls, and distribute flyers, thank you! Your time and effort are appreciated. It was a grassroots effort to have this successful outcome. We have seven short months to get proactive and win the election in November. We need all hands on deck to put the Republicans over the top. Thank you again, to those who helped in the primary.

## MEMBERSHIP

By: Jennifer McCarthy

Thank you to all the members who have followed us from our previous club, and welcome to the new members (noted with an asterisk). We are excited to have you be a part of this very important election year.

As you may know, our numbers were down last year, due to so much uncertainty with the previous organization of which we were members. We are so thankful to have had several of our previous members return this year. However, we would love to have many more members to make light work of the upcoming election. That's why we ask you to please invite your friends, family, neighbors, etc., to join us in our fight for our country. There will be a contest announced soon, so please bring guests to our meeting, sign up your friends, and let's Make America (& CA & Ventura County) Great Again!

**Ruby Lifetime:**

Kerry Nelson  
Brandee Sisting

**Platinum:**

Michelle Spencer

**Silver:**

Lisa Gelinas  
Ruth McGettigan  
Donna Strull

**New Members:**

Elaine McKearn\*

## GET INVOLVED!

We still have board positions that need to be filled as well as other ways to get involved in CVRW.

- Campaigns
- V.P. Ways and Means
- Website
- Press & Publicity
- Caring for America
- Achievements
- Communications/Social Media
- Voter Registration
- Ballot Harvesting



- 1 April Fools
- 2 CVRW Board Meeting
- 8 Planning Commission Meeting
- 9 City Council Meeting
- 11 CVRW General Meeting
- 15 Tax Day
- 17 CVUSD Meeting
- 22 Planning Commission Meeting/Earth Day/ Passover
- 23 City Council/ Board of Supervisor meeting
- 24 Central Committee Meeting

## CVRW BOOK CLUB

Book Club is celebrating the growth of our group with new participants! If you would like to join us, just show up at any meeting, even if you haven't finished the book, we would love to see you there.

**Book: Wounded Tiger**

*by T. Martin Bennett*

*It is the true story of the pilot who led the Pearl Harbor attack, whose life was changed by an American prisoner and by a girl he never met.*

**Date:** Monday, April 15

**Time:** 12:30 pm

**Place:** Lazy Dog Restaurant and Bar  
Outside the Oaks Mall

The CVRW Book Club meets monthly. All members are welcome to join. To RSVP or get more information contact:

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Elisa Meissner

**Ballot Harvesting**

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**Voter Registration**

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## CARING FOR AMERICA

by Jill Delaney

For the next few months, our Care America program will be supporting ASA-USA—a group that supports our military overseas. ASA-USA was formed in 1967, when a soldier in Vietnam asked his sister to try to do something to help raise the morale of his unit. We at CVRW are collecting items to be sent to our troops in the middle east.

Items they are looking for include:

- personal notes
- pre-packaged food
- toiletries, cards
- games, zip-lock bags
- hats, socks (white or black)
- sports bras
- panties
- puzzle books
- magazines,
- hair/shower products
- lotions

Not acceptable are pork products, alcohol, liquid hand sanitizer, aerosols, chocolate (it melts).

PLEASE, EVERYONE—bring a few items, and a personal note to our meetings each month. Your efforts will go a long way in raising morale, just like 50 years ago when this group got started.

Check the website for more information:

[asa-usa.org](https://asa-usa.org)

Please bring your items to the April General Meeting and look for the drop-off bin.



## Legislative Report

by Gina Libby

The House Speaker has acquiesced to Congressional Democrats by passing \$1.2 trillion in spending to continue government operations and fund billions in leftist special interests. Incurring this massive debt will support spending in programs like the Green New Deal and LBGTQ initiatives. Spending will facilitate identity politics with robust plans for further Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) programs and those to connect the millions of new undocumented people who have crossed the border illegally in the past three years, with government services.

Pressure on our Congress members is essential to stop the bleed. We're encouraged with everyone's support for local candidates and look forward to operating a Republican Headquarters for the November election. But for such a time as this, we are called to do more. We are called to phone, email, or schedule a meeting with your representatives and let them and everyone in your circles know that we won't accept funding the left's wish lists. Additionally, inform your friends and representatives about proposed changes to the International Health Regulations (IHR's) which are currently being amended.

### CALL OR EMAIL

Congresswoman Julia Brownley:

<https://juliabrownley.house.gov/>

Senator Alex Padilla:

<https://www.padilla.senate.gov/>

Assemblymember Jacqui Irwin:

<https://a42.asmdc.org/>

Supervisor Jeff Gorrell:

<https://www.ventura.org/board-of-supervisors/district-2-jeff-gorell/>

As soon as May 2024, the United States could sign a Global Pandemic Treaty that voids our national sovereignty in declared emergencies or pre-emergencies. This is not getting media attention and much distraction, like seizing President Trump's assets, is the prevailing news. Should the United States sign the Treaty as proposed, we Americans, as individuals, won't have a choice in which medications we can or cannot take for the next "Virus X" or whether we must or must not take vaccinations to travel, work, and recreate.

James Roguski has reported on the global efforts to centralize decision-making in response to pandemics or pre-pandemics. His Substack has print materials, talking points, and the proposed language for the IHR changes. Click on the link below and review the "Top 10 Issues That Are Unacceptable" and many more useful links, videos and talking points. Please look at his work and get engaged!

Go to: <https://substack.com/@jamesroguski>

**"Top 10 Issues That Are Unacceptable"**

[https://jamesroguski.substack.com/p/these-amendments-are-unacceptable?utm\\_source=profile&utm\\_medium=reader2](https://jamesroguski.substack.com/p/these-amendments-are-unacceptable?utm_source=profile&utm_medium=reader2)

## CALIFORNIA

On the state front, Governor Newsom continues his delusional messaging that California's policies are a "model for the nation". Thankfully, we have a patriot warrior in Congressman Kevin Kiley who continues to expose Newsom's abuses and failures. As crime continues to skyrocket in major cities across the nation, Kiley has supported an Initiative to end California's disastrous Prop 47 which served to decriminalize crime.

### TAKE ACTION: Make Crime Illegal Again

Go to <https://blog.electkevinkiley.com>, where you can sign up for a petition, End47.com, to be mailed to you. If you want to make crime illegal again, join the other 450,000 California voters who've already signed on to stamp out the rampant crime destroying our cities and reclaim our state.

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### The Right to a Fair and Speedy Trial

*By: Suzy T.*

The Sixth Amendment guarantees the rights of criminal defendants, including the right to a public trial without unnecessary delay, the right to a lawyer, the right to an impartial jury, and the right to know who your accusers are and the nature of the charges and evidence against you.

Then why haven't the J6 prisoners been allowed to have a fair trial, when over three years have passed? These prisoners have been denied all basic constitutional and human rights, including being in solitary confinement, not seeing

visitors, substandard food, and other awful conditions. The worst part is that they have been denied visits with their lawyers and the opportunity to see the evidence against them.

Not only have they endured suffering for far too long, but it is alleged that the J6 committee has destroyed evidence. Far too much time was allowed which made it easier to destroy evidence. Many of us saw videos of these same prisoners on Jan 6<sup>th</sup> speaking and acting peacefully, and even being invited in for a tour.

Recently, a J6 prisoner who was transferred to a new facility used his phone call privileges and spoke on the Wendy Bell Radio show about his experience. He described J6 and noted they were peacefully assembled with no weapons when they began being pushed back with riot gear, then pepper balls were shot at those trying to escape in a tunnel. He noted that they were

offered plea deals if they would state that it was Donald Trump's fault. These brave patriots refused to lie and have been treated like hostages ever since.

They noted that not much has been done for them, but that Donald Trump did say releasing them is the first order of business.

If you would like to help the J6 prisoners, please consider contributing to [www.sponsorj6.com](http://www.sponsorj6.com) This money helps them get food and supplies and support their families while they are unfairly incarcerated.

[www.law.cornell.edu](http://www.law.cornell.edu)

Wendy Bell Radio

[www.wendyradio.com](http://www.wendyradio.com)

"Trump Owns the Left"



# Contact Your Legislators

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## CONGRESS

### Links to Republican Sites

National Republican Party:

<http://republicannationalcommittee.org/home.html>

Ca. Republican Party: [www.cagop.org](http://www.cagop.org)

Ventura County Party: [www.venturagop.org](http://www.venturagop.org)

L.A. County Party: [www.lagop.org](http://www.lagop.org)

U.S. Senatorial Committee: [www.nrsc.org](http://www.nrsc.org)

U.S. Congressional Committee: [www.nrcc.org](http://www.nrcc.org)

**The Federation of Republican Women has Experts to help you. When you have a question or need, go to these websites:**

NFRW info: [nfrw.org](http://nfrw.org)

CFRW info: [cfrw.org](http://cfrw.org)

So Div info: [cfrwsoutherndivision.org](http://cfrwsoutherndivision.org)

VCRWF info: [vcrwf.org](http://vcrwf.org)



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(SPOUSE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_)

**FULL Student Membership:** \_\_\_\_\_ \$20 (emailed newsletter included)

**SPONSOR a Student(s) Mentorship:** \_\_\_\_\_ \$20 per student (emailed newsletter to  
student included)

**Make checks payable to: CVRW** (Conejo Valley Republican Women)  
Mailing address: CVRW PO Box 7151, Thousand Oaks, CA 91359

- Membership dues are paid annually – Due January 1 each year.
- Membership Newsletter E-mailed unless otherwise specified.
- MEMBERS MUST BE REGISTERED REPUBLICANS or NPP and join as a sustaining member.

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