

# THE NEWSLETTER

of the SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN

## A Message from our President

By Niru Vangala



**Dear Friends,**

"I am a firm believer in the people. If given the truth, they can be depended upon to meet any national crisis. The great point is to bring them the real facts!" Wise words of our great President Abraham Lincoln.

We all have to believe in one person's power to make a difference. As Republican Women we get to use the magic of personal empowerment to make a difference in our

community.

It seems like God has given us a second chance and we need the momentum and positive energy in this crucial time to motivate, educate and spread the word. We have to concentrate on communication and persuasive tools on issues that matter to us the most.

I want to urge each and everyone of us to work on member recruitment and voter registration. New members mean that more people will reap the benefits of our educational programs.

I am deeply grateful to all our membership and our club Presidents for their Leadership and appreciate their hard work. My heartfelt thanks to Gerri our scholarship chair and Cheryl our advocacy chair for their time and dedication to our students.

Finally, to sum up we are all members of a very influential political organization and we can make a difference in our community, so let's keep working. See you all at the next meeting.

**With Warm Regards,  
Niru**

We must not let our rulers load us with perpetual debt. We must make our election between economy and liberty or profusion and servitude. If we run into such debt, as that we must be taxed in our meat and in our drink, in our necessities and our comforts, in our labors and our amusements, for our calling and our creeds . . . [we will] have no time to think, no means of calling our miss-managers to account but be glad to obtain subsistence by hiring ourselves to rivet their chains on the necks of our fellow-sufferers . . . And this is the tendency of all human governments. A departure from principle in one instance becomes a precedent for[ another] . . . till the bulk of society is reduced to be mere automatons of misery . . . And the fore-horse of this frightful team is public debt. Taxation follows that, and in its train wretchedness and oppression.

~Thomas Jefferson



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## Mitzelfelt Elected President of County Transportation Agency

### From Supervisor Brad Mitzelfelt



On June 2 San Bernardino County Supervisor Brad Mitzelfelt was unanimously elected to serve as president of San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) for a one-year term beginning July 1.

“This will be a challenging and productive year,” Supervisor Mitzelfelt said. “I look forward to working with all of the member cities and towns to maximize state and federal funding for transportation, and to work creatively to streamline the approval process for important projects.”

Supervisor Mitzelfelt was elected by the 29-member SANBAG Board of Directors, which is made up of elected council members or mayors from each of the County’s 24 cities, plus all five members of the County Board of Supervisors. SANBAG is responsible for building major transportation projects, including freeways, interchanges, and major local streets. SANBAG also functions as a Council of Governments in conducting regional planning activities. Other functions include managing the County’s freeway call

box system and the Freeway Service Patrol. The agency is responsible for distributing funding from Measure I, the voter-approved half-cent sales tax that goes exclusively to transportation, including support for local transit agencies and funding to towns and cities for road and highway maintenance and construction.

Major projects SANBAG has managed include the extension of State Route 210, and the ongoing reconstruction of Interstate 215 through San Bernardino. High Desert projects in which SANBAG plays a role include the Rancho Road interchange in Hesperia, the La Mesa/Nisqualli interchange in Victorville, and the Yucca Loma Bridge in Apple Valley. All three of those projects are expected to be under construction by next year.

“Supervisor Mitzelfelt’s leadership will allow for the expedition and completion of many transportation projects through San Bernardino County, not the least of which is the La Mesa/Nisqualli Interchange in Victorville,” said Victorville City Councilman Ryan McEachron, also a SANBAG Board member.

Supervisor Mitzelfelt’s stated goals are to accelerate the construction of transportation projects through innovative funding strategies and by streamlining the approval process. He also supports the creation of public-private partnerships to deliver infrastructure, such as the proposed High Desert Corridor. He also would like to see SANBAG gain authority to

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## Conservatism in California

By Anthony Riley



Conservatism means Republicans understand when government spending exceeds tax revenues, spending is cut and the government will refuse to reach into the pockets of taxpayers for more tax dollars. Republicans put small business first rather than choke them with taxation and unnecessary bureaucracy. Businesses cannot afford one more vote for tax increases—and neither can its law-abiding citizen taxpayers.

*Chief Executive Magazine* conducted its annual (2010) CEOs survey to determine the best/worst states to do business. California ranked as the worst state, a distinction it has held for six straight years.

There is no doubt that California’s problem is runaway spending. Higher taxes not only feed the spending addiction of state government, it damages efforts to create jobs and bring our economy out of recession. We also need to ease the regulatory climate that makes California the worst place to conduct business.

Currently, class action lawsuits represent one of the worst abuses of California’s legal system; and Californians pay the price. Class action settlements and jury awards cost hundreds of millions of dollars—costs that must be recovered through higher prices for goods and services. And every part of our health care system is threatened by excessive lawsuits. Awards increase the cost of medical liability insurance, driving up patient and insurance costs and lead some doctors to stop practicing. Patients pay the price when the fear of lawsuits makes the medicine and treatments they need less available.

Reforms must allow defendants to appeal class action certifications (currently only a plaintiff can); capping the percentage of the award lawyers can receive; and tying attorney fees to the amount of members in the class who actually collect awards. Laws, including California’s Medical Injury Compensation Reform Act (MICRA), have helped reduce medical liability lawsuit abuse and keep doctors in our state. More reform is needed to ensure that junk science doesn’t fuel questionable health care lawsuits and that the medicines we depend upon don’t become the latest lawsuit target.

Reforms must encourage businesses to remain in California. Reforms must protect and create jobs. We need to stop lawsuit abuse and encourage job growth throughout California.

Likewise, California has 12 percent of the nation’s population but almost one-third of its welfare recipients. We must reduce spending on entitlement programs. Well-intentioned as they may be, we can’t afford them if we plan to balance our budget and make it possible for small business to create jobs.

Californians need the type of representation that takes power out of Sacramento and puts it back in the hands of the residents and businesses who built the state in the first place. Republicans must stand on conservative principles against wasteful government. The California legislature needs conservative voices that will stand in opposition to unapologetic liberals who believe government spending is the solution to everything. As Ronald Reagan said in his inaugural address: “In this present crisis, government is not the solution to our problems; government is the problem.”

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## Jerry Brown's "Investigations" are Campaign Stops

By Richard Grenell



It must be campaign season. How else do you explain Jerry Brown's recent fascination with investigations and allegations announced with lots of media in tow and advantageously timed to benefit traditional Democratic constituencies and issues? There is no doubt that the Brown campaign committee and political advisors are strategically planning the roll-out of official attorney general "investigations" to maximize public attention and

perception. But what is most troubling about Jerry Brown's use of the Attorney General's office to campaign for his return to the governor's mansion is that his cavalier press conferences, media interviews and announced investigations are only chasing Democratic political issues while ignoring real public safety concerns. Brown has turned the Attorney General's Office into a political machine with subpoena power—and Republicans and their allies are the target.

In the month of April alone, Brown has launched investigations to embarrass Sarah Palin, aggressively promote union membership, clear ACORN of criminal activities, play catch-up on the Wall Street scandal by trumping up charges against Wall Street giant Moody's, go after an oil company politically active in defeating California's new green house gas emissions law, and grab headlines on issues ranging from home foreclosures to former child star Corey Haim's death. In just one month, Brown has shown that his race for governor starts by using his legal office to help traditional Democratic allies beat back their opponents. The tactics Jerry Brown is using and the public position he is abusing leaves the public with no other choice but to ask Brown to give up his position as the top law enforcement official in California if he is to run an honest campaign for governor.

Brown has promoted his investigation of Sarah Palin's speech at California State University Stanislaus nationwide in an attempt to raise campaign money from Democrats across the U.S. By using the Attorney General's office to investigate the Democrat's favorite villain, Brown has turned the AG's office into his political fundraising operation. It just isn't credible for Brown to suggest that Palin's speech contract deserves the scrutiny of the top law enforcement agency in California—no matter what the details of the contract are. Brown's hyperbolic and emotional rants on the issue just don't pass the straight-face test.

Brown has also taken aim at a Texas based oil company that recently launched an initiative in California to stop a state greenhouse gas bill from taking effect in 2012. Valero is leading the challenge to AB 32, an anti-business bill passed in 2006 that will force California businesses to reduce

greenhouse gas emissions by 25% with costly mandatory caps beginning in 2012. With environmentalists and union leaders aggressively supporting AB 32, Brown has gone after their opponent, Valero, who is trying to overturn the law by taking the controversial issue to the people through a statewide ballot initiative.

This month, Brown also launched various "investigations" of construction companies that union leaders love to hate. The California Labor Federation, a consortium of 1,200 unions, has been a loud vocal supporter of Brown's campaign and Brown has happily returned the favor. This is no unbiased union doing the due diligence work of its union members. The union's website uses the same verbiage as the Brown campaign and covers the same messages, including the exact same lame charges leveled against Brown's opponent. The obvious quid-pro-quo support appears with Brown's multiple "investigations" launched against construction companies who don't support union rules, including two drywall contractors this month alone. The message is clear—either you help Democrats and their allies, or you face possible "investigations" from AG Brown.

Another recent target is Moody's Corporation, the Wall Street rating agency. Why Moody's? Look no further than Brown's own press release, which reads: "Moody's is one of the most profitable companies in the country. It had the highest profit margin of any company in the S&P 500 in the years leading up to 2008—higher than Google or Microsoft . . ." In a lame—and late—attempt to seize headlines by grabbing a piece of the Wall Street scandal, Brown launches a political "investigation" of a Wall Street giant to support the latest Democratic talking points. Brown's cavalier language when talking about his recent "investigations" is so outrageous and laced with misinformation and unfounded charges that his characterizations are best left on the political stage. The over-the-top language should not be used by methodical and factual law enforcement officials. In an all-out final push to restore his political family's glory and return to the Governor's office, Brown has turned his current Attorney General's office into an aggressive partisan shop where supporters' favor is carried through subpoenas and innuendos.

The business community is being bullied by Brown and his team through Chicago-style politics. If Jerry Brown wants to restore California to its golden days, then he should start by stepping down as attorney general and giving the citizens confidence that the highest law enforcement official in the state will not also be running for governor at the same time.

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use the more efficient "design-build" process, as is proposed for the massive reconstruction of the Interstate 15/215 interchange in Devore.

"Brad has shown real leadership on regional transportation issues," said San Bernardino Mayor Pat Morris, who also serves on the SANBAG Board. "He has ideas

and strategies to increase funding and streamline projects. I am confident he will lead us well."

**Supervisor Brad Mitzelfelt represents San Bernardino County's First District. His websites are:**

[www.sbcounty.gov/mitzelfelt](http://www.sbcounty.gov/mitzelfelt) and  
[www.JoinBrad.com](http://www.JoinBrad.com)

## State Judges should not receive San Bernardino County Tax Money

By Frank H. Guzman



San Bernardino County is struggling through the worst economic conditions since the Great Depression. Layoffs of county workers are a very real possibility as tax revenues fall due to high unemployment and plummeting property values. So why does the county gift over a million dollars annually to judges already well paid by the state?

### A brief history:

In 1991, Municipal and Justice courts were merged. The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors then equalized the benefits paid to the county's judges as after the merger the judges were now handling similar caseloads. In 1997, the legislature enacted The Trial Court Funding Act of 1997 (Assembly Bill 233) which abolished the Municipal courts and made present Municipal Court judges of the Superior Court. That law made all Superior Court judges state employees; no longer county employees.

AB233 provided that counties could decide if they wished to continue providing certain benefits to the judges such as dental car or auto allowances or the money in lieu of the benefits. San Bernardino County continued to give benefits to its Superior Court judges.

### Payments held illegal:

Judicial Watch, a nonprofit organization, filed a lawsuit to stop the stipends being paid to the Superior Court judges in Los Angeles in *Sturgeon v. County of Los Angeles*, case BC351286. Los Angeles judges were received \$46,000 annually from their Board of Supervisors. The court of

appeal recently ruled that such payments were illegal and must stop. The lawsuit—held principles of constitutional construction that applied to all Superior Courts judges getting such payments, making the San Bernardino payments illegal also. In response to the court of appeal ruling, special legislation was rushed through to allow for judicial payments to continue.

### Improper use of tax money for years:

The 2002-2003 San Bernardino Grand Jury recommended that the stipends for the state judges stop. The Grand Jury noted that Superior Court judges are paid by the State and receive benefits from the State, with regular pay raises every three years, a retirement package, educational benefits and medical plans. (A superior court judge starts at \$178,000 in salary alone.)

Nonetheless, in 2003 the County paid 63 judges \$745.06 biweekly for a total of \$19,371.56 per judge, totaling \$1,220,408.20 annually.

In November 2009, the California Judicial Council reported county taxpayers' payments to judges now equal 1,280,175.00 annually.

Over sixty sitting judges continue to reap this windfall. The last few judges have been denied it.

These payments are inappropriate "gifts" to the judges. These payments raise serious questions regarding the appearance of impropriety. When the county is a defendant, no judge receiving the gifts should sit in judgment. Our citizens have serious concerns that justice is for sale. This gifting fuels the belief that civil litigants cannot win if you sue the county because judges presumably "do not bite the hand that feeds them." These payments must stop.

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## CIVIL GANG INJUNCTIONS ARE AN ESSENTIAL TOOL IN THE FIGHT AGAINST GANGS

By District Attorney Michael Ramos



I have made it a priority to flush gangs out of our community by vigorously prosecuting these "local terrorists."

It is estimated that San Bernardino County has over 18,000 gang members roaming our streets.

In the past five years I have filed 4,952 gang cases. Three thousand have been sent to prison, 68 serving life sentences—and two are on death row.

Working with the Board of Supervisors, Rialto Police Chief Mark Kling, and the Rialto City Council, we secured the West Valley's first civil gang injunction in July 2008.

Civil gang injunctions an important legal tool used by prosecutors to interrupt the criminal activity of known gang members.

Working with local law enforcement and elected officials, the D.A.'s office is now enforcing gang injunctions in the High Desert, Rialto, and Fontana.

The gang injunction prohibits gang members from associating with one another; prohibit certain clothing, and displaying gang tattoos. We can also "banish" gang members from certain areas and require curfews.

The gangs hate injunctions because it restricts their criminal lifestyle of threatening citizens and impedes their drug dealing ways. We must continue to vigorously pursue civil gang injunctions.

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## Stand with Me in Support of Ronald Reagan Day!

By Janice Rutherford



There is not a lot of great news coming from Sacramento these days. Instead, record budget deficits, runaway spending and tax hikes always continue to emanate from our State Legislature—in which elected Republicans have not held a majority in a generation.

Yet, in a rare moment of clarity and true bipartisan cooperation, the Assembly Committee on Education formally recommended that every

February 6 be officially designated as President Ronald Reagan Day. As an American, a Californian, and a Republican, I could not agree more with this decision.

The world today is a much different place than it was when I was growing up here in California in the '70s and '80s. While those decades were just a few years ago, we must pause to remember the challenges America faced.

In 1980, the United States was reeling under President Carter's sky-high interest rate, economic growth was stagnant, unemployment was rising to new heights, inflation was the topic of nearly every newscast, and America's foreign enemies were emboldened like never before.

Fortunately, Americans turned to President Ronald Wilson Reagan to steer us on a different course. Suddenly, there was a new morning in America, and with his leadership and clear vision, we won the Cold War and started on a burst of economic growth that propelled us into the new century.

President Reagan got our economy moving and ushered in a new era of prosperity. The Reagan tax cuts of 1981 helped spark an economic recovery that lasted over a decade. Inflation virtually vanished overnight. President Reagan

rescued us from the malaise of Democrat Jimmy Carter and enabled us to embrace the greatness of our unique nation.

Most importantly, President Reagan understood freedom. Ronald Reagan knew that as long as some nations live in captivity, no one could be free. He knew that the liberty and freedoms that Americans cherished must be honored worldwide.

In 1981, who would have guessed that the Reagan Administration's tough foreign policy would see an end to the Cold War, with America and freedom winning? The Berlin Wall, a physical symbol of the divide between Communist and free nations, came crashing down after President Ronald Reagan challenged Soviet Communist Party Leader Mikhail Gorbachev to "tear down this wall."

President Reagan celebrated America. He would neither allow our economy to suffer nor would he allow foreign nations to bully us around. When Americans and freedom came under attack, Ronald Reagan fought back.

I am proud to be an American, a Californian, and a Republican. I am proud to know that Ronald Reagan served as governor of my home state, and I am honored to have a day in his name set aside to reflect on why I am a Republican. Since I met him in 1984, the legacy of President Ronald Reagan has inspired me to serve with a sense of purpose—the purpose of always believing in the just cause freedom and that America can always be that shining city on a hill. That is our Reagan heritage, and the principles of our 40<sup>th</sup> president must never be abandoned by those entrusted by the public to serve in elected office.

I commend the Legislature for taking this important first step to ensure that the legacy and life's work of President Reagan is never forgotten.

**Janice Rutherford is a member of the Fontana City Council and candidate for the Second District Board of Supervisors. Visit her website at:**

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## Time to Fix a Very Broken System

By Edmund L. Montgomery



The scariest place on earth as a parent is in the Family Court. You stand there nervous, palms sweating, and thrown into a strange environment. You muster up the courage to speak only to have a system that is bound by archaic rules and procedures silencing you.

You try your best to protect your children and have not a clue on what to do.

That is the experience of over 80 percent of the parties appearing in family court because they cannot afford an attorney and must represent themselves. This is an alarming statistic that grows as the recession continues.

We have the ability to make major changes in our Family Court and improve access to individuals representing themselves and their children. We need to offer educational material and assistance to guide them through the nightmare with a better understanding of how the system works.

California is fortunate to have had the Elkins Family Law Task Force studying the problems in Family Court for the past two years. Their report was just released in April of this year and has recommended numerous changes in family court that we need to embrace.

Among the recommendations are to assist parties to better navigate the complex world of Family Court to changes on how testimony and evidence are presented. Concerns about enhancing child safety and educating parents are major issues. It even recommends teaching our judges on how to deal with self represented parties more effectively.

We need to work to implement the recommendations of the Elkins Commission. It is a step forward for our state and our families. We need to protect our children now.

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## Arizona Law, SB 1070

By **Tim Donnelly**



There has been a lot of talk about the Arizona Law, SB 1070, but very little of it has been factual. The Attorney General of the United States, Eric Holder, has been one of the bill's toughest critics, and he recently admitted that he had never even read the bill. This bill has the solid support of 70% of the people of Arizona, and in places like California, it is quite likely that support is even higher

among registered voters.

California's treasury has been devastated by illegal immigration, paying out almost \$11 billion in 2009 for public services, welfare, education, medical care, and a host of other entitlements to illegal aliens. The paid political class has no incentive to address the problem, and in fact, they are well paid to leave the status quo alone.

Meanwhile, California citizens want this problem solved. What is interesting is that the intense frustration with this issue crosses party lines, and the numbers do not vary by much whether you are talking to Republicans or Democrats. I have been walking precincts, and we open our conversation by letting potential voters know that I am the only candidate who has publicly endorsed SB 1070, the Arizona Law, and that I have vowed to introduce it here in California as my first act in the Assembly.

Roughly 80 percent of registered Republicans are in favor, and contrary to media reports, the most vocal

supporters are legal immigrants. They tell us that no one represents them, and they are tired of being stereotyped illegal alien supporters. One lady said that she just wants to be treated like an American, and not pandered to because of the color of her skin. "I came here to escape this kind of corruption. This country is a nation of laws, that is what I love about it. We must fight to keep our freedoms." We have knocked on a number of Democrat and Independent doors as well, and the results are almost identical.

The Arizona Law is nothing more than a restatement of Federal Immigration Law, but it makes it a violation of state law to be here in violation of Federal Law. This is not about immigration; it is about power. Arizona has launched the first salvo in the States Rights movement, and the powerful elite in Washington view the popularity of this bill as a threat to their power.

SB 1070 accomplishes a long-stated goal of almost every politician running in California, including Meg Whitman: it ends sanctuary cities. Three members of the Bologna family paid with their lives for San Francisco's sanctuary policy. When the widow sued the city for negligence, her lawsuit was thrown out of court. The lawyer on that case, Constitutional law professor, Kris Kobach, is the same lawyer who wrote the Arizona Law. No candidate for office in 2010 can afford to be on the wrong side of the Arizona Law, assuming they take the time to read it. It's just common sense.

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## Offender Watch

By **Sheriff Rod Hoops**



The San Bernardino Sheriff's Department is pleased to provide **Offender Watch** for the citizens of San Bernardino County. **Offender Watch** is the nation's leading registered sex offender management and community notification tool with hundreds of leading agencies in dozens of states utilizing it. San Bernardino County's law enforcement utilizes **Offender Watch** to manage and monitor the

whereabouts and compliance status of the registered sex offenders in San Bernardino County. **Offender Watch** provides the most accurate and timely information available and now this information is available to you.

**Offender Watch** is updated instantaneously throughout the day as offender addresses and other offender information is updated in our office. You may enter any address in the county and see real-time information on the publishable offenders within the specified radius of the address you enter.

Offenders move frequently, so instead of having to check the maps on a weekly basis, the best way to stay informed is to take advantage of our free email alert system. You may confidentially register as many addresses in the county as you wish, and we will continuously monitor the

addresses and send you an email alert if a new offender registers an address within one mile of any address you register. There is no cost for this service and no limit to the number of addresses you can register—your email address and physical addresses are all confidential. Tell your friends and neighbors and be sure to register your home, school, work, gym, day care, park, soccer field, parents or children's homes—any address of interest to you.

The San Bernardino County Sheriff's Office maintains this **Offender Watch** portal as a community service. Please log onto our department web site at [www.co.san-bernardino.ca.us/sheriff/](http://www.co.san-bernardino.ca.us/sheriff/) and click on the **Offender Watch** site to get a better understanding of the facts about registered sex offenders and what our office is doing to comply with the law. Be sure to visit the Safety Tips page and review the information we have provided under the Community Awareness Fliers or the other links. You may print flyers for your use to distribute to your club, school, library or group.

If you have any questions about **Offender Watch** or have any information about the compliance status of any offender in San Bernardino County please contact our office at (909) 387-3401.

**Rod Hoops is the Sheriff/Coroner for the County of San Bernardino. Visit his website at:**

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## County Can Play Role in Promoting Job Creation

By Supervisor Paul Biane



There has been a lot of talk about government job creation efforts lately as our economy begins to slowly emerge from a very deep recession.

But the truth is government does not create jobs. Private enterprise does.

However, government can and does play a pivotal role in facilitating development and making it possible for private enterprise to produce

employment opportunities that truly build our economy, i.e. they create wealth rather than taxing someone to pay for a public service.

The 970,000-square-foot Kohl's online distribution center set to locate in the City of San Bernardino later this year is a good example of how local government can play a real role in creating jobs.

The San Bernardino County Economic Development Agency worked closely with the City to secure an Enterprise Zone designation for the property that Kohl's later purchased.

A business located in an Enterprise Zone is entitled to multiple tax advantages, including a state income tax savings of about \$37,000 per qualified employee over a five-year period.

The online distribution center is scheduled to open this summer and will employ about 500 full-time employees plus hundreds of temporary positions during the holidays.

Time is money, and sometimes time is what is needed to get a commitment from a business.

Late last year, Solar Atmospheres – the world leader in high-tech metal processing – approached the County about opening its first West Coast facility in unincorporated Fontana. They had one condition. They wanted to be up and running in October 2010.

The County Department of Land Use Services worked to get the plans processed quickly, and Solar Atmospheres' new facility – which will create about 30 long-term, good-paying jobs – is on track.

Redevelopment agencies can also be very useful tools when it comes to facilitating development that creates employment opportunities and builds our economy.

For example, the San Bernardino County Redevelopment Agency recently provided about \$400,000 to help California Steel Industries (CSI) remove and replace two Kaiser Steel-era smoke stacks with a more efficient and cleaner furnace that will increase the company's steel production.

The agency is also providing financial support to help CSI with its plans to remove decades-old steel buildings so a business park can be developed on CSI's campus in unincorporated Fontana.

The Redevelopment Agency's support will help CSI improve production, reduce pollution, and create jobs, and this support will also increase the value to CSI's property. That will mean more property tax revenue for the Redevelopment Agency to reinvest in other job-generating businesses.

The County Department of Workforce Development also has a number of services tailored to help local businesses succeed. The Workforce Development Department can post job ads for local businesses and can also pre-screen prospective employees to save businesses time and money in the hiring process.

San Bernardino County cannot create jobs, but the County can and is partnering with the business community to lay a solid foundation for real job creation.

**Supervisor Paul Biane represents the cities of Rancho Cucamonga, Fontana and Upland along with the unincorporated areas of Crestline, Lake Gregory, Crest Forest, Lytle Creek and Mt. Baldy Village. Visit his website at:**

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## Education-Based Incarceration

By Paul Schrader



Education-Based Incarceration is a component of the criminal justice system that is focused on deterring and mitigating crime by investing in its offenders through education and rehabilitation. By providing substantive and intellectual education in jails, and being supportive rather than punitive in efforts to reduce crime related behavior, the likelihood to recidivate is lowered while success

and stability in the community occurs.

Holding lawbreakers accountable for their actions is the main priority of Education-Based Incarceration, and

incarceration is the chief means of imposing accountability for acts that threaten public safety. The investment made through Education-Based Incarceration is an endeavor in safer and more stable communities.

The funds for these programs are provided through the inmate welfare fund, which is solely funded by inmates. This means there is no tax payer money used in these programs. I have met with several civic leaders and educators who believe this should be a major tool used in The San Bernardino County Jails. I have talked with jail administrators in other areas that say this works and I agree.

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[www.SheriffPaul.net](http://www.SheriffPaul.net)



## Children Need a Voice in Court, Too

By Judge Robert Lemkau



As a San Bernardino County Superior Court Judge, I believe that the eradication of Minor's Counsel in San Bernardino County is a travesty. To rectify the lack of Minor's Counsel in family-law courts nationwide, I have established an online discussion forum where family-law judges, attorneys, and advocates can develop a campaign for this vital legislation. Legal

professionals are encouraged to join **Minor's Counsel Now!**

### **A case for Minor's Counsel**

While the adults present their arguments before a judge for dissolution, it is not uncommon for a child, completely innocent of malice, to be used as a weapon of manipulation, which adds to the child's anguish. But, when a child has a voice by way of counsel in the form of a family-law attorney with a background in psychology or social work, the court can more easily recognize divisive deceptions presented by the litigants. The child's own words can protect and serve as a safeguard from further unnecessary torment.

In a case where there were accusations of drunkenness and alienation, the child was interviewed privately, thus eliminating any parental repercussions. As the child began to talk, the counsel learned of the mother's perpetual drunkenness. Through the voice of the attorney, the child portrayed a disturbing view of an alcoholic mother and the world of parental neglect. Without Minor's Counsel, this information would not have been visible to the court.

The attorneys who represent children in contested family law cases, are known as "Minor's Counsel" and are

appointed by family law courts. There have been known cases where these attorneys have not only given the child a voice, but have also had the opportunity to mediate and settle disputes between the adults as well, thus saving the court valuable resources.

But because of budget cuts and the fiscal decline many counties throughout California have eliminated these advocates, thus leaving children dangerously vulnerable to becoming used for nothing more than decisive purposes. San Bernardino County no longer sustains nor supports a Minor's Counsel Program.

Because of their strong conviction to protect children, there are several attorneys who generously continue to accept assignments without compensation. But because they are so few in number, the lack of funding, and the tremendous number of children in need, representation is greatly limited. These few attorneys are overwhelmed and overworked.

After much discussion, it is believed Minor's Counsel can be reintroduced into the court systems with limited additional funding and at no cost to the general taxpayer.

Because Minor's Counsel benefits the entire community by assisting children, one proposal is to increase the civil filing fee by the minimal amount of \$5.00 and using the additional revenue to fund Minor's Counsel.

As a family-law judge, I see the overwhelming and urgent need for the Minor's Counsel Program to be reestablished in San Bernardino County and even throughout the state of California. Minor's Counsel will stand as a voice for the most vulnerable in our community.

**Judge Robert Lemkau is a San Bernardino Superior Court Judge. Visit his website at:**

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## Test For Echo

By Ken Hunter



While the president of our nation tells us to stop watching political news, we the people have ignored that order. While he may prefer to rule over an uninformed electorate, he is too late. Just as Washington DC is an island surrounded by reality, so is Sacramento. The echo chambers are inside the Capitols-not outside.

Political news is on the hearts, minds and lips everywhere in town, at the post office, coffee shop; at the grocery store and at the bank...That is

all you hear folks talking about. A few years ago you would expect to hear the usual complaints about our government with few or no solutions offered. Now I hear desperate pleas to implement real solutions while our leaders would prefer for you and I to mind our own business. Now this generation has learned anew it is their government and as its rightful owners, they will be taking it back with no apologies offered.

It is this awakened and informed citizenry that has re-discovered that Government is something you do, not something that just happens to you.

We the people seem to be more informed than those in our Capitols. Government is finally going to become more responsive through the wonders of the electoral firing squad in 2010. This is the year that we the people will make history. The dream of limited Government is becoming a reality before our eyes. No need to rewrite this part of history, it all started with a whisper that grew and grew into a mighty shout. When Government Expands-Liberty Contracts; that is indeed the only news they don't want to get out. This is the both the "news" and the truth that must be relearned and reclaimed by each of our generations. A new wave of candidates are coming ashore, to etch this powerful new inscription in the marble halls and pillars of our Capitols; When Government Expands-Liberty Contracts.

Do I hear an echo?

I continue working on my "**California Investment and Prosperity Act of 2011**". The chief cornerstone of the act is implementing across the board tax cuts, Spending cap formula for our budget, reducing regulations that stifle business and investment and jobs in California.

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## ***The San Bernardino County GOP Needs You!***

The San Bernardino County Central Committee meets the fourth Thursday of each month at 8711 Monroe Court, Suite B, Rancho Cucamonga beginning at 6 p.m. All registered Republicans are encouraged to attend. Several slots are open for those wishing to serve as alternates to committee members.

Republican volunteers are also asked to share their expertise by participating in one or more of the various subcommittees or working on fundraising and voter registration drives in their area or at party headquarters.

Republican Party Headquarters, located at 222 North Mountain Avenue, Suite 202, Upland, can always use volunteers to assist with upcoming projects. Help is needed with mail preparation, data entry, and other organizational tasks.

If you would like to donate your time or make a monetary donation you can email [info@sbgop.com](mailto:info@sbgop.com) for additional information. The San Bernardino County Republican website can be found at:

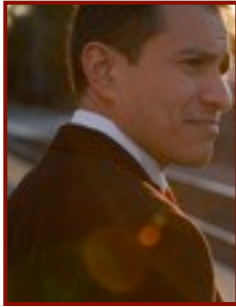
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<b>Lake Arrowhead</b>	<b>Meeting Days:</b> Third Friday of each month <b>Dark:</b> January and February December <b>Meeting Time:</b> 9:30 a.m. <b>Meeting Location:</b> Lake Arrowhead Country Club <b>Cost:</b> \$15	<b>Membership Dues:</b> \$30 Regular \$5 Associate  <b>Contact:</b> Barbara Carbajal (909) 336-1371
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<b>San Bernardino</b>	<b>Meeting Days:</b> Fourth Thursday of each month <b>Dark:</b> July and August <b>Meeting Time:</b> 11 a.m. <b>Meeting Location:</b> Shandin Hills Country Club <b>Cost:</b> \$13	<b>Membership Dues:</b> \$20 Regular \$10 Associate  <b>Contact:</b> Jean Liberman (909) 886-4122
<b>Yucca Valley</b>	<b>Meeting Days:</b> Third Monday of each month <b>Dark:</b> July, August and December <b>Meeting Time:</b> Varies <b>Meeting Location:</b> Church of the Nazarene <b>Cost:</b> Varies	<b>Membership Dues:</b> \$20 Regular \$15 Associate  <b>Contact:</b> Helen Flint <a href="mailto:HelenRFlint@aol.com">HelenRFlint@aol.com</a>

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## How much government?

by Corey Calaycay



California has a \$20 billion dollar deficit yet the State continues to fund more than 500 Agencies, Boards and Commissions.

Did you ever wonder what the Board of Accountancy does? Clearly they do not keep tabs on the budget tricks used every year to “balance” the state budget.

I bet you didn’t know about the Habeas Corpus Research Center?

Don’t worry, you will only need them if you’ve been given the death penalty.

How about the Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors? The government is protecting us from them?

On and on the list goes. Agency after agency, board after board, and commission after commission. And who sits on these Boards and Commissions? Former elected officials and political cronies.

While California has struggled with the most difficult economic climate in many of our lifetimes, the size of the state government has continued to grow dramatically. Can anyone honestly say, however, that this bigger government has improved our lives? Bigger government did not prevent the economic crisis of the past two years. Bigger government did not prevent declines in home values. Bigger government did not keep jobs in California. Yet, over the past several years, while all these events were occurring, state spending has increased almost 40%. Furthermore, state spending has nearly doubled in the past 10 years.

As the governor and the Legislature turn to budget negotiations for the current fiscal year, we’ll hear much hue and cry about programs to be cut or eliminated. While I believe every individual has value and worth, I do not necessarily believe that the same is true for government programs. I believe every program, agency and, yes, board or commission, must be reviewed every budget cycle to determine whether or not it is providing a valuable service to Californians. That it is providing valuable income to former politicians and a place of employment for numerous bureaucrats should not be the standard by which its funding is determined.

Government was meant to be limited in size and scope, yet over the past several years we’ve increased our spending on government. It is now time for government, like everyone else, to cut back. That is going to require difficult choices. That may require angering entrenched special interests and government employee unions. It is high time, however, that government be able to justify its spending rather than the people having to justify their willingness or unwillingness to pay for it.

The Governor’s proposed budget recommends difficult cuts and hard choices. I commend the Republicans in the State Assembly for standing firm against new taxes on Californians. Californians have seen their home values, retirement accounts and employers downsized; now it is time for them to see their government downsized.

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## Reforming California’s Broken Government

By Chris Lancaster



The State Legislature is out of touch with taxpayers and out of control with our tax dollars. California used to be a national leader. Today we’re an economic laggard with one of the highest unemployment rates in the country.

California needs a bold action plan to eliminate wasteful spending and cut the government red tape that is choking our economy. The elements of this plan must include:

### No Tax Hikes

Republican legislators must remain firm in insisting that taxes are off the table. Californians are already taxed too much.

Eighteen years ago, I made the mistake of supporting a local tax increase because I thought it was the only way to balance my city’s budget. I learned my lesson from that mistake and I have proudly signed the Americans for Tax Reform “Taxpayer Protection Pledge” to OPPOSE any and all tax increases.

### Deep Spending Cuts

State leaders must significant spending cuts in social welfare programs and in government regulatory agencies like the California Air Resources Board that are driving businesses and jobs away from our state.

### Eliminate Funding for Illegal Aliens

California must enforce Proposition 187, which was passed overwhelmingly by the voters in 1994, and cut off government benefits for those who are here illegally.

### Downsize the State Bureaucracy

We must regain control of our government in Sacramento by reducing the state payroll and eliminating non-essential positions—including political appointees to cushy state boards and commissions.

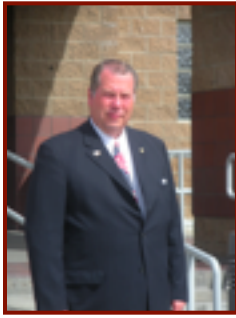
Republicans must be bold in fighting for these reforms. The future of California is at stake!

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## America's Founding By Iver Bye



I love to study American History, especially the exciting times from the Discovery of America to the Founding Era. We can learn much from our Founding Fathers and their lives should be studied and emulated by us citizens today.

One major aspect of our American founding that many Americans no longer care to know, is the Christian belief that pervaded the culture from that time up to and including the 1950's. It is clear from a cursory reading of the Founders' writings, the pervasiveness of Christianity that was such an everyday reality to them. Truly, God and the Bible were the catalysts that shaped and formed our Founding.

The following examples are just a small part of the overwhelming evidence of the fact that the United States was founded as a Christian nation upon Biblical principles.

- The **Treaty of Paris**, which ended the American Revolution, begins with the phrase: "In the Name of the Most Holy and Undivided Trinity. Amen."

Traditional Christianity is the only religion that I am aware of that has the doctrine of the Trinity" as one of its basic tenets.

- George Washington, in his First Inaugural Address, said:

"... it would be peculiarly improper to omit in this first official act my fervent supplications to that Almighty Being who rules over the universe, who presides in the councils of nations, and whose providential aids can supply every human defect, that His benediction may consecrate to the liberties and happiness of the people of the United States...  
**In tendering this homage to the Great Author of**

**every public and private good, I assure myself that it expresses your sentiments not less than my own, nor those of my fellow-citizens at large less than either. No people can be bound to acknowledge and adore the Invisible Hand which conducts the affairs of men more than those of the United States. Every step by which they have advanced to the character of an independent nation seems to have been distinguished by some token of providential agency;..." (Emphasis added.)**

President Washington concludes this Address:

"but not without resorting once more to the benign Parent of the Human Race in humble supplication that, since He has been pleased to favor the American people with opportunities for deliberating in perfect tranquillity,... so His divine blessing may be equally *conspicuous* in the enlarged views, ...and the wise measures on which the success of this Government must depend." (Emphasis added.)

President Calvin Coolidge said that we cannot change the "Cause" of anything and expect the same "Effect." That is very clear.

In the past few decades, efforts have been made to delete the Cause of the greatness of America, i.e., get rid of Christianity through the fictional doctrine of "Separation of Church and State". But if we do disregard the wisdom of our Founders, we are damned as a nation, and as the Founders recognized in many of their writings, America will no longer have the BLESSINGS of God, but His Judgment!"

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## CFRW Advocacy Workshop

What a great trip we had this year to the 35<sup>th</sup> CFRW Advocacy Workshop and Student Advocacy events, April 19-21, 2010. I chaperoned Vanessa Estudillo, our Hi Desert Republican Women Federated scholarship winner. Lorna Davide from San Bernardino Republican Women Federated attended with their Charlotte Mousel scholarship winner, Mitchell Winter.

We took a tour of the State Capital building with several other students from all over the state of California. Allison Olson, our legislative advocate, gave us a warm reception and tour of her new office.

I was finally able to participate in the California Federation of Republican Women (CFRW) Lobby Day and Red Jacket photo on the steps of the State Capitol building! You can see the photos on the CFRW website.

Paula Bagby, the CFRW Southern Division Advocacy chairman, is hosting a follow-up meeting for all of the Student Advocacy chairmen and chaperones that participated to meet discuss how we can improve this already terrific and educational experience.

These high school students are the future of our great nation. I hope that each of the clubs in San Bernardino County will sponsor a student and can experience the thrill of being a part of our Women in Numbers (WIN) influence next year.



~Cheryl Bluy, SBCFRW Advocacy Chairman

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## Club Announcements

The winner for the Charlotte Mousel Scholarship was Tyler McGee from Apple Valley High School. He read his outstanding essay at the County Meeting on May 21, and received the award of \$1000, which he will use for college (Oklahoma State University).

There were no applications for the Perpetual Memorial Scholarship this year for a student finishing the sophomore year and entering the junior year in college studying Communication, Political Science, Teaching, Journalism, History or related subjects. We need to encourage people in these fields to offset what the Democrats are doing in our schools, government and in the media.

Gerry Smith  
County Ch. Scholarship

Our club members and board members are extremely busy with different projects, Lending Library, fund raising, Bridge Game, Shanghai Club, Caring for America, keeping records. We have two board members who are not only busy helping with the club, but helping their husbands with their Assembly campaign in different districts. Marji Mayo is in charge of San Bernardino County Republican Headquarters in Upland.

We are working on Celebrating Victory 2010 by going on a cruise in November right after elections.

We had our candidate forum in April, besides getting a press coverage we had over 100 people attending.

During our May meeting we will have our scholarship winner. Also, during the May meeting we are having Deputy District Attorney James Hosking and Judge Lemkau, who made the headlines recently and is up for election again.

Special thanks to all the board members who have been working hard to make my job easier.

Vera Eyzendooren  
President, Chaffey Community Republican Women, Federated

