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A 527 Organization

While suturing a cut on the hand of a 75 year old rancher, who's hand was caught in the squeeze gate while working cattle, the doctor struck up a conversation with the old man. Eventually the topic got around to Obama and his role as our president.

The old rancher said, 'Well, ya know, Obama is a 'Post Turtle.'



Not being familiar with the term, the doctor asked him, what a 'post turtle' was.

The old rancher said, 'When you're driving down a country road and you come across a fence

post with a turtle balanced on top, that's a 'post turtle.' "You know he didn't get up there by himself, he doesn't belong up there, he doesn't know what to do while he's up there, he's elevated beyond his ability to function, and you just wonder what kind of dummy put him up there to begin with."



### Calendar 2011

- June 14 Flag Day
- June 25 SRRWF BBQ... Celebrate USA

**No meetings July/August**

Watch for news of summer activities

North Sonoma County Republican Club  
June 15th. 7:30 am. Adel's Healdsburg  
July 20th 7:30 am Adel's Healdsburg  
Aug 7 (Sunday) Brandt's beach ( 100 th birthday of Brandt's Beach) Healdsburg. Annual BBQ fundraiser  
all welcome advance tickets

**Sonoma County Republican Party** meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month.. Information-707 542-7066  
www.sonomagop.org

**North Sonoma County Republican Club.** Wednesday Adel's, 198 Dry Creek Rd, Healdsburg, CA 95448 call 707.849-1454

#### Republican Women Federated Clubs -

**Marin RWF** - Meets fourth Wednesday  
www.maringop.org

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www.novatorwf.org

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"GOVERNMENT IS RUN BY THOSE WHO SHOW UP!"



## Monthly Meeting

## Annual BBQ

# Saturday, June 25, 2011

At the home of Associate Member John McDonald

3267 Hermit Way (Montgomery Drive /Yulupa)

Santa Rosa

Social Hour NOON to 1 pm...

Appetizers and Complimentary Refreshments

BBQ 1pm to 4 pm

BBQ— Pork, Chicken

Homemade Salads, Homemade Dessert

and surprise guests!

All Reservations that are made must be PAID

\$30 with reservations

\$40 without advance reservation

Reservations PAID by Wednesday, June 22nd

RSVP 525-8085

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## President's Message - Marie Derr

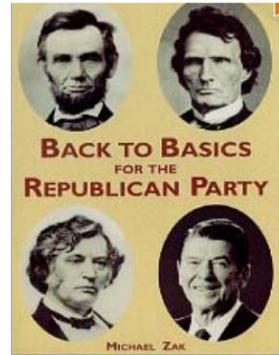
Summer is here! While we will not be meeting in July and August, there will still be plenty of Republican activities to be involved in. The Republican Central Committee will take a booth at the Sonoma County Fair, July 27 through August 14, and I encourage members work in the booth to reach out to Republicans in Sonoma County. We will work to sponsor days where our members could run the booth all day for a few days during the fair. It would be great to spend the day together spreading the Republican message. More details will follow to your inbox.

We will also be organizing another fun Bunco Night in August at Omelette Express in Windsor. The invitation will be sent in July.

Our very own First Vice President Edelweiss Geary (also our North Bay Regional Director, CFRW Legislation Chair and NFRW Legislation Committee and National Board Member) is running for Northern Division President. She is working on her campaign this summer here in northern California. As many of you know, Edelweiss is our past President and long time member of our Club and I urge members to help her with this campaign as she reaches out to Republican Women in Northern California. She needs letters of recommendation and if you know ladies in other clubs that you can reach out to spread the word about her candidacy that would be terrific.

Enjoy the summer, stay informed and keep active See you at the BBQ on Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>! Please bring husbands and friends. It will be a fun afternoon for everyone.  
Marie Derr, President

**Michael Zak is a popular speaker to Republican organizations around the country. He is the author of Back to Basics for the Republican Party, the acclaimed history of the GOP from the Republican point of view. www.grandoldpartisan.com for more information. Contacts nationwide may be interested in articles on the Grand Old Partisan blog. http://grandoldpartisan.typepad.com/blog/2011/06/al-capone-barack-obama.html June 5, 2011**  
**Back to Basics for the Republican Party**



"Michael Zak takes a novel approach to the culture wars by boldly boasting the historical record of the Republican Party. Rather than sheepishly bow to the Democrat's ongoing myths (and frequently, outright lies) about the GOP, he brings the history and heroes of the Republican Party into the fray."

"Why is it that we Republicans are so easily outmaneuvered by Democrats? Why do Republicans so readily fight among themselves? Why is it so difficult for Republicans to advance their policy agenda? Here's why."

### Back to Basics for the Republican Party

"The past is the cause of the present and the present will be the cause of the future. All these are links in the endless chain stretching from the finite to the infinite." Abraham Lincoln

"The Founding Fathers knew a government can't control the economy without controlling people. And they knew when a government sets out to do that, it must use force and coercion to achieve its purpose. So we have come to a time for choosing." Ronald Reagan

### **From Al Capone to Barack Obama**

Matthew Vadum has described it as a "brilliantly orchestrated criminal organization" that is "part political group, part crime syndicate, part terrorist organization." Banks and other corporations have paid it billions of dollars in protection money, while the government pays it billions more. Law enforcement cannot keep track of its opaque, endlessly shifting, illicit operations. Anyone who gets in the way is subject to "thuggish tactics." Nice business you got here. Would be a shame if a flash mob attacked it at, say, 10am tomorrow morning.

This is not the Mafia, but an organization just as insidious, the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now, known as ACORN. These "modern-day pirates" helped make Barack Obama the 44th President of the United States. Wait, it gets worse. The Obama administration is setting up what Michael Barone termed "gangster government." You are now being governed Mafia-style, with business shakedowns and disregard for the law, cronies being enriched while opponents are crushed.

As the song goes, "You may ask yourself, well, how did I get here?" Vadum's new book, Subversion, Inc.: How Obama's ACORN Red Shirts are Still Terrorizing and Ripping Off American Taxpayers, answers that question.

Saul Alinsky, godfather of community organizers, learned his craft from Chicago gangland organizers...read more on the website above.



## Membership 2011

Rosalie Parks—Membership Chair  
Committee members: Maria Burt and Ina McElroy

### **NFRW Diamond Award Winning Club**

**2010 CFRW Northern Division Circle of Excellence Award Winner**

Thank you Eugenia Brown for preparing the rosters for mailing. All members who attended the May meeting picked up their rosters. All other rosters were mailed.

Edelweiss Geary and Ruth Van Bommel checked names and addresses of all our members for the roster. Some changes were made and with the help of Treasurer, Ann Galantine and me, Rosalie Parks, Membership, the Per Capita Reports, Roster, and Mailing Labels have been corrected to the best of our ability. When a member changes their e-mail, or a member moves, the membership secretary needs to be notified. Our newsletter is our best way of communication.

This month we are mailing all members a newsletter. We hope to see more members at our BBQ the last Saturday of June. This is our opportunity to talk with members and meet new friends.

Please invite your friends to the SRRWF BBQ. We always have a great time even when there is a heat wave...or not!!!!



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**CAGOP employs CFRWND Treasurer at their Sacramento Office. Karen will be in charge of the Bounty this year.**

Karen will be very helpful to the RWF when we file our Voter Registration Bounty Requests this year!

CAGOP Cares Spotlights Volunteers and Volunteer organizations each month. This month CFRW Northern Division club American River Republican Women Federated (ARRWF) have been named CAGOPCares Volunteers of the Month of May for the numerous ways they are serving their community through their Caring For America project. Highlighting just a couple of their efforts, the ladies of AARWF, since 2009, take part in monthly visits to the local VA Hospital where they also deliver a monthly gift bag to the Veterans. Another project they are involved in is supporting Ronald McDonald House.



*Santa Rosa Republican Women, Federated*

### **Membership Form 2011**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ St \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's name \_\_\_\_\_

Newsletter by mail \_\_\_\_\_ or E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate the appropriate membership:

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$35 Active Member**

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$50 Sustaining Member** (Non-participating registered **Republican woman** interested in supporting the Club, receiving our newsletter and information.)

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$30 Associate Member** (A non-voting membership for a woman who is an active member of another Republican Women Federated Club, or who is not a citizen of the United States, or a man who is interested in promoting the goals and objectives of the Republican Women Federated.)

\_\_\_\_\_ **Free Honorary Membership** - Republican Woman 90 years plus.

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$10 Student Membership**

**Make checks payable to SRRWF & mail to:**

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Membership form also on the website [www.santarosarwf.org](http://www.santarosarwf.org) and may be charged to your credit card for a \$5.00 fee.

**THIRD PARTIES ELECT DEMOCRATS**

**“The only purpose of voting Libertarian is to elect Democrats”** *Dennis Prager*

The Fourth of July was traditionally celebrated as America's birthday, but the idea of an annual day specifically celebrating the Flag is believed to have first originated in 1885. BJ Cigrand, a schoolteacher, arranged for the pupils in the Fredonia, Wisconsin Public School, District 6, to observe June 14 (the 108th anniversary of the official adoption of The Stars and Stripes) as 'Flag Birthday'.

The Pennsylvania Society of Colonial Dames of America on April 25, 1893 adopted a resolution requesting the mayor of Philadelphia and all others in authority and all private citizens to display the Flag on June 14th. Leach went on to recommend that the day be known as 'Flag Day', and on that day, school children be assembled for appropriate exercises, with each child being given a small Flag. As a result of the resolution, Dr. Edward Brooks, then Superintendent of Public Schools of Philadelphia, directed that Flag Day exercises be held on June 14, 1893 in Independence Square.

Inspired by these three decades of state and local celebrations, Flag Day - the anniversary of the Flag Resolution of 1777 - was officially established by the Proclamation of President Woodrow Wilson on May 30th, 1916. While Flag Day was celebrated in various communities for years after Wilson's proclamation, it was not until August 3rd, 1949, that President Truman signed an Act of Congress designating June 14th of each year as National Flag Day.

**Caring for America** is another committee that the NFRW encourages each club to be active in and Joan Dayton again this year stepped up to the plate. We are working on a project which helps women in recovery and their children.

**Community Political Involvement:** . SRRWF Members of the City Council Watchdogs!  
**Cotati** - Joyce Garcia; **Santa Rosa** - Liz Gatley; **Sebastopol** - Lynn Fleck; **Petaluma** - NO REPORT

**Redistricting Team:** Liz Gatley reporting: The hearing on May 20th went very well. It was a packed house with standing room only. There were many different opinions from citizens on whether to keep Marin and Sonoma counties together or split them. Now the commission has taken in all the citizens comments and worked for over a week to come up with a first draft of maps for the public to view and make comments on. The California Citizens Redistricting Commission is releasing its first round of draft maps for Congressional, Assembly, State Senate and Board of Equalization Districts Friday June 10th. The maps will be online at [www.wedrawthelines.ca.gov](http://www.wedrawthelines.ca.gov). Now it's time for us all to look over the map, email the commission and let them know what we think of the lines they drew. If you have any suggestions for changes let them know. If you like the map they presented the way they are let them know. This is our one chance to make a real difference in future elections for the next 10 years.

**June 10, 2011, Commission Votes 14-0 to Approve 1st Draft District Maps**  
 With four 14-0 votes, the California Citizens Redistricting Commission has released its first round of draft maps for Congressional, State Assembly, State Senate and Board of Equalization districts.

**The Commission is now soliciting public comment on the draft districts.** Testimony can be submitted online to [votersfirstact@crc.ca.gov](mailto:votersfirstact@crc.ca.gov), or by mail to the Citizens Redistricting Commission, 901 P Street, Suite 154-A, Sacramento, CA 95814 or by FAX at 916-651-5711. The Commission will be holding 11 public input hearings in June on the draft maps. The hearing schedule and the draft maps can be found at the Commission's website at [www.wedrawthelines.ca.gov](http://www.wedrawthelines.ca.gov).

**1st draft congressional district map**



**Websites of Interest**

- [www.americanthinker.com](http://www.americanthinker.com)
- [www.lucianne.com](http://www.lucianne.com)
- [www.townhall.com](http://www.townhall.com)
- [www.nationalreview.com](http://www.nationalreview.com)
- [www.biggovernment.com](http://www.biggovernment.com)
- [www.capoliticalnews.com](http://www.capoliticalnews.com)

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- [www.pajamasmedia.com](http://www.pajamasmedia.com)
- [www.rasmussenreports.com](http://www.rasmussenreports.com)
- [www.heritage.com](http://www.heritage.com)
- [www.teapartypatriots.org](http://www.teapartypatriots.org)
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As we move along in the life of the Obama administration, we start to see more and more the results of putting someone who is so far to the left in the Presidency. Presidents have much greater influence years after they leave office because of their judicial appointments. We are witnessing that right now as it relates to the challenges to Obamacare.

The Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati is currently hearing an appeal by the Thomas More Law Center regarding Obamacare. The acting Solicitor General is Neal Kumar Katyal. The job of the Office of the Solicitor General is to supervise and conduct government litigation in the United States Supreme Court. Virtually all such litigation is channeled through the Office of the Solicitor General and is actively conducted by the Office. The United States is involved in approximately two-thirds of all the cases the United States Supreme Court decides on the merits each year. Barack Obama has nominated Katyal for the permanent appointment to the Solicitor General position.

The three judge panel on the sixth circuit is comprised of two Republican appointed judges and a Democrat appointed judge. The sixth circuit judges expressed far more skepticism about the government's arguments than the fourth district court (made up of all Democrats with two appointed by Obama).

Judge Jeffrey Sutton of the sixth circuit asked Katyal if he could name one Supreme Court case which considered the question posed by the mandate in Obamacare which uses the Commerce Clause of the constitution as a tool to compel action. Obamacare mandates that citizens must buy health insurance.

Katyal told the justices that Americans who didn't like the individual mandate could always avoid it by **choosing to earn less money**. Katyal stated that "If we're going to play that game, I think that game can be played here as well, because after all, the minimum coverage provision only kicks in after people have earned a minimum amount of income. So it's a penalty on earning a certain amount of income and self insuring. It's not just on self insuring on its own."

The so-called "hardship exemption" in the health care law is limited and only applies to people who cannot obtain insurance for less than 8 percent of their income. So earning less isn't necessarily a solution because it could then qualify the person for government-subsidized insurance.

Katyal acknowledged that the Supreme Court had "never been confronted directly" with the question of mandates to purchase something but he cited the

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part of the *Heart of Atlanta Motel* case as a relevant example. In that 1964 landmark civil rights case, the Court ruled that Congress could use its Commerce Clause power to bar discrimination by private businesses such as hotels and restaurants.

Judge Sutton replied. "They're in the business. They are told if you're going to be in the business, this is what you have to do. In response to that law, they could have said, "We now exit the business." Individuals don't have that option."

The whole issue of regulation is one of the major issues in the health care bill. Katyal's argument about regulation is that the health care market is unique because everybody will eventually participate. With the mandate Katyal stated that "What Congress is regulating is not the failure to buy something, but failure to secure financing for something everyone is going to buy."

The whole argument that "health care is unique" merely creates an opening for a future Congress and President to regulate all sorts of things by either

- 1) arguing that a particular market is also special or
- 2) finding a way to tie a given regulation to health care.

Obamacare is such a boondoggle with many sections leading to unexpected consequences. It is ultimately a move for government to have greater control over its citizens. Imagine! A recommendation to earn less money to avoid a mandate is the Solicitor General's solution to a murky law.

In the second week of June, the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals hears the challenge to Obamacare brought by 26 states led by Florida. There should be some interesting arguments.

*Information gathered from The United States Department of Justice and Philip Klein in The Washington Examiner. 6/2/11*

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**WE HAVE WORK TO DO LADIES!!!!**

**CALLING ALL REPUBLICAN WOMEN!**

**Craig Huey for Congress**

There is a special election in the 36th Congressional District (South L.A. County). Craig Huey shocks media and career politicians in race for California's 36th Congressional District. Grassroots candidate's economic message reverberates universally with Republicans, Democrats, Libertarians and Independents. They said it couldn't be done! The media, political pundits and powerful career politicians dismissed Craig's campaign as a non-threat. Craig shattered conventional wisdom and won a strong second place victory with 22.2% of the vote, just behind Janice Hahn with 24.6% and ahead of Debra Bowen with 21%.

Republican Women can get on the phones or open those checkbooks. Please contact either Craig Huey for Congress or L.A. Central Committee Chairwoman Jane Barnett for more information. Please read below. Thank you! 2 Big Walks to be held on Saturday, June 18th and Saturday, July 9th for Huey.

**Craig Huey for Congress**

**23211 Hawthorne Blvd., Suite 200 A  
Torrance, CA 90505**

Anyone who can be at the Huey office the week before July 9th to help set up is encouraged to do so. Thank you to those who are already putting in time on the campaign. This is our time to shine.

Victory; Only if Republican women can make calls from their homes in CA. Please also help by sending a donation \$\$\$ whatever you can give! \$1, \$5, \$10, and up!!!

**This Congressional seat could be Republican if all CFRW members take an interest and send money and or time.**

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**From the Advocates Office—Capitol Update**

Now on to some good news! **SB 810 (Leno, D-3), single-payer healthcare for California, has failed!** SB 810 failed to pass out of its appropriations committee with the necessary votes. This is a small, but important victory for taxpayers and the CFRW, who opposed the bill since last session. Thank you to all those who sent letters, faxes and emails in opposition of this terrible bill!

This week, two important bills that the CFRW is tracking were heard in committee.

One was **AB 130 (Cedillo, D-45), the California Dream Act**, and the other was **AB 459 (Hill, D-19), the National Popular Vote compact**. The CFRW OPPOSES both these pieces of legislation. **Despite our opposition, both bills passed out of their first Senate committees. They will be heard again in other committees, so we must remain vigilant. It is so important that when your CFRW Legislative Advocate asks for letters, faxes and phone calls, that our CFRW clubs spring into action!**

Please stay tuned and make sure you let your representatives know how you feel! See page 8 for telephone numbers

**One more deadline is looming... the budget must be passed on or before June 15th. State Controller John Chiang stated this week that if the budget is not passed by June 15th, he will be withholding legislator's pay until the budget is passed. Stayed tuned as this budget battle plays out!**

**It's Madness For Republicans to support liberal attack on the Electoral College**

*by Shawn Steel 05/12/11:*

Circumventing the U.S. Constitution to further political agenda is normally the Left's shtick, which makes it surprising to see Republicans rallying to the National Popular Vote (NPV), the latest liberal attempt to end-run the Constitution.

NPV would replace the state-by-state electoral system with the direct election of the president by guaranteeing an Electoral College majority to the popular vote winner. This would be accomplished by convincing states to enact legislation binding them to award their electoral votes to the national popular vote winner – even if that candidate fails to carry the state. Once the number of states enacting NPV laws have at least 270 electoral votes among them, they will have imposed de facto direct presidential election on the rest of the country. So far, eight states, representing 77 electoral votes, have enacted NPV laws. This maneuver cunningly side-steps the Constitution's cumbersome amendment process and allows NPV proponents to do away with our centuries-old electoral system on the say-so of fewer than half the states in the Union (doubtless causing Madison to spin in his grave).

NPV was birthed from the womb of the Left and is being financed by Tom Golisano, a billionaire who supported John Kerry for president and previously spent \$93 million on three campaigns for New York Governor as the nominee of the Independence Party (which he created). Golisano is using his vast wealth to employ GOP lobbyists and politicians to sell this liberal brainchild to Republicans (he doesn't need to convince liberals). Some simple online research of the issue makes clear that Golisano is bankrolling an extensive PR campaign targeting Republicans. Unfortunately, a dismaying number of Republicans are buying into it. In states like Missouri, Oklahoma and South Dakota, Republican legislators are carrying the NPV ball. In the GOP-controlled Minnesota legislature, the Republican-sponsored NPV bill has passed the state House and recently cleared a key state Senate committee.

In my home state of California, NPV is being carried by the Assembly Republican Caucus chairman. What would possess any Republican leader to propound a scheme so clearly contrary to the Founding Fathers' constitutional design?

In my state of California, Republicans complain that we are "taken for granted" by presidential campaigns that in 2008 raised \$150 million in the state but spent a scant \$28,000. A promised National Popular Vote will supposedly, magically, make us relevant again. What we aren't told is how NPV will restore a state GOP that is shut out of

every statewide office, or why future presidential campaigns will spend more of their finite funds on California's very expensive media markets, rather than push for a popular vote majority in less expensive states – and still get California's 55 electoral votes under NPV rules. NPV proponents cite the four times in our 235-year history in which the presidential winner lost the popular vote – but their solution will create the quadrennial spectacle of watching a number of states vote for the Republican nominee only to have their electoral votes go to the Democrat and vice versa. Take, for example, the states that have enacted NPV: Hawaii, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Washington, Vermont (and DC). All went for John Kerry in 2004, but under NPV their electoral votes would have gone to George W. Bush. NPV has other problems: for example, Article I, Section 10 of the Constitution prohibits states from entering into agreements or compacts with each other without Congress' permission, casting doubt on the constitutionality of NPV, which is essentially a compact among the enacting states. Republicans should be incensed at the National Popular Vote campaign's cavalier attitude toward the Constitution.

Our electoral system was conceived by the greatest political minds America has ever produced. The Founders thought it the best possible system for electing the chief executive of the Union. It manifests that we are a **republic**, rather than a democracy. It reflects that we are a federal union of sovereign states, rather than a unitary central government with 50 administrative units. Presidential electors represent the voters of their states, but NPV would frequently force electors to act in opposition to the expressed will of the citizens they represent. That is the fundamental contradiction at the heart of this dishonest initiative. Republicans flirting with this constitutional end-run should also remember a major priority of the Tea Party movement – which re-energized the GOP as the party of limited government and fueled its 2010 election triumph -- is returning the Constitution to the center of our national political life. Given these realities, it makes little sense for Republicans to support an extra-constitutional attempt by the Left to gut the Electoral College in the vain hope it might provide some political advantage for the GOP.

In 2010, Republicans gained a record 680 state legislative seats and took control of 26 state legislatures and now have 29 governorships. It's in the GOP's power to stop this liberal end-run around the Constitution. For my part, I plan to ask the Republican National Committee to oppose NPV at our spring meeting, because it will be to our eternal regret if Republicans serve as its mid-wives. –

*Shawn Steel is the Republican National Committeeman from California and a former chairman of the California Republican Party. This article was copied from the SiliconValley RWF newsletter.June2011*

Former Education Secretary under the Ronald Reagan Administration, Bill Bennett, on his Morning in America Radio show was asked by listeners to come up with talking points for Paul Ryans Medicare ideas. Dr. Marty called in and freely rattled off these comments. Another listener transcribed Dr Marty's remarks and then made a mock up of a brochure. The Bennett Show staff will have the completed talking points brochure available soon.

DR. MARTY:

**No. 1,** Medicare is going broke. It's unsustainable; it must change. Preserving it in its current form is not an option.

**No. 2,** If nothing is done, Medicare will be administered under Obamacare. Costs will be controlled by a 15-member board of unelected, unaccountable bureaucrats. They will decide which treatments, drugs and surgeries you can receive. It may be based on cost, their assessment of your value to society, your age, whether or not you are a "friend" of the administration. Lifesaving drugs and treatments may be denied because they decide that you are just not worth it.

**No. 3,** Paul Ryan and the Republicans have proposed an alternative that **preserves Medicare, that saves Medicare in its current form for those 55 and older.** It allows the government to keep its promise to those who have already organized their life in retirement based on Medicare. No one 55 and older will be affected. Medicare does not change for anyone 55 and older. For those under 55, the government will provide subsidies to purchase insurance.

**No. 4,** The Democrat plan steals your freedom to make your own health care decisions. The Republican plan preserves choice, freedom and competition. You remain in control of your own health care decisions.

### And for the people really prepared to go on offense:

**No. 1,** The President and the Democrats are lying about the Ryan plan because they can't be honest about their own plan.

**No. 2,** The President and the Democrats are trying to scare you about the Republican plan, hoping that you won't learn the truth. It's the Democrat plan that destroys Medicare. President Obama and the Democrats have already harmed Medicare. They have taken \$500 billion--a half a trillion--dollars out of the program to fund Obamacare and have eliminated the Medicare Advantage program. The President is granting hundreds of waivers to prevent a total revolt before the election. If we don't implement an alternative plan, the Democrat rationing plan automatically goes into effect.

**No. 3,** President Obama is lying about the Republican plan because he thinks it will help him get reelected. What kind of leader puts his own people at risk to fulfill his own selfish agenda? Do you trust him with your health? And do you trust him with your life?

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September 16-18, 2011...CA Republican Party Convention, L.A. JW Marriott

Sept 29 - October 2 NFRW Biennial Convention, Kansas City, Missouri

Oct 21/23 CFRW 37th Biennial Convention, Visalia, CA Marriott Hotel

Nov 11/13 CFRWND Biennial Convention, Thunder Valley Hote, Sacramento



### Memo from Murriel Oles

I have submitted my name to the CFRW 2011 Nominating Committee for the office of CFRW President for the 2012-13 biennium. CFRW Vice President Central Carol Hadley is also running for this position. The current CFRW president, Mariann Hedstrom, is from Central Division. Custom has been that the presidency rotates among the divisions; with few exceptions, this has been the case.

Northern Division's last CFRW President was elected for the 2006-2007 term. Prior to that, Northern Division had not had a CFRW President since 1996-1997 because no Northern Division member came forward for the 2000-2001 term.

My experience at all levels of the Federation will bring to CFRW knowledge at virtually every facet of the organization. We must continue to grow by recruiting new members while retaining the members we currently have by using the tools we have at our disposal, like our club and CFRW newsletters and the new media avenues of websites, Facebook and Twitter.

I will do my best to strengthen our influence in California as we take positions on California legislation, work to register Republicans to increase the numbers of elected Republicans not only in Sacramento but at all levels of govern-

ment, and partner with our local central committees and the California Republican Party.

I am asking for your endorsement and support for my candidacy. At the Spring Conference of Northern Division held in Chico, the Executive Committee and

Board of Directors voted to endorse me. I would like to include your name in the list of supporters that I will be submitting to the members of the nominating committee when I send my complete biographical packet.

Your President has my bio and I would appreciate your letting me know by return email, if I may include your name in my endorsement list. I am also asking for your letter of support to be forwarded to all members of the CFRW Nominating Committee. From the information that was posted on the CFRW website, it is my understanding that the members prefer email letters since no physical addresses were distributed. I have included the mail addresses in this email if your preference is to send something "snail mail" The members of the CFRW nominating committee and their contact information are:

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Any member wishing to send a letter of recommendation for an applicant must also send it to each member of the Nominating Committee, including alternates. Thank you in advance for consideration to my request. You are true examples of . . . **Women in Numbers, BUILDING THE TEAM**



## 36th Biennial NFRW Convention Kansas City, Sept. 29-Oct. 2

The NFRW's biennial convention is shaping up to be one of the top Republican gatherings of the year and will feature speakers, political and policy workshops, educational seminars, networking opportunities and events you won't want to miss.

NFRW encourages its members to help fellow Americans as they rebuild. As you have seen on the news, 75% of the town of

Joplin, Mo. need our help as they rebuild. Your checks should be made out to: Joplin, Mo. Tornado Relief Fund and mailed to:

**American Red Cross  
410 South Jackson Avenue  
Joplin, Mo. 64801**

If you have adult clothes, sheets, towels, diapers, wipes, children's clothing and items, they too can be mailed to the American Red Cross in Joplin.

**Tuscaloosa, Alabama** City Council PTA is looking for funds to help children of the Tuscaloosa schools with clothing, temporary housing, and food. They are also in need of schools supplies.

Checks can be made out to:

Tuscaloosa City Council PTA/  
Tornado Disaster Relief Fund  
14 Sherwood Drive

Tuscaloosa, Al. 35401

Mail school supplies to:

**Tuscaloosa City PTA Council & Tornado Relief Fund  
Tuscaloosa Magnet School- Elementary  
315 McFarland Blvd., East  
Tuscaloosa, AL 35407**

OR donate to the American Red Cross  
**American Red Cross  
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Tuscaloosa, Ala. 35401**

Make check to Red Cross/Tuscaloosa  
Tornado Relief Fund

## Loose Canons!

### Sessions Leads Budget Battle

*The senator who has the do-nothing, denialist Dems cornered.*

### Jed Babbin on 5.31.11

"A lie can travel halfway round the world before the truth has got its boots on," as then British Prime Minister Callaghan said in 1976. Callaghan was, of course, a Labour PM and thus knew firsthand how political falsehoods work. I don't know what kind of boots Alabama Sen. Jeff Sessions wears, but he got them on fast enough to enable Senate Republicans to catch up with the Democrats' budgetary misinformation and carry some important truths past them.

A few of Sessions' truths are matters of the calendar and arithmetic: **it's been more than 760 days since the Democratic Senate passed a budget. In that time, the Obama gang and its congressional accomplices have spent about \$7.1 trillion, our national debt has grown by more than \$3.2 trillion, and the legal limit on government borrowing -- \$14,294,000,000,000 -- has been reached.**

The borrowed money runs out on about August 2. So if the Senate Dems don't pass a budget or don't get enough Republican votes to raise the debt ceiling our government would, the Dems say, default on its obligations and all economic hell would break loose. (That is Dem disinformation, as an April 27 Congressional Research Service [report](#) explains.)

Republicans have been consumed in the defense of the House-passed Paul Ryan budget, which would cut government spending by about \$4 trillion over the next decade. The Democrats opposed every point in Ryan's plan. The Dems' "Medicare" disinformation campaign was enough to attract five Senate RINOs to help defeat the Ryan plan in the Senate and win a special election in NY-26. They insist, falsely, that Ryan's plan would convert Medicare into a voucher system.

The Senate Democrats' strategy is delay. Borrowing President Obama's (so far) successful strategy of delaying tough choices (on the budget, Iraq, Afghanistan and just

about everything else) until 2013, the Senate Dems have refused to propose a budget or make any serious move to negotiate cost cuts to gain Republican votes on increasing the debt ceiling.

Even the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post* condemn the Dems' stalling tactics. In a Sunday [editorial](#), the uber-liberal *NYT* admitted that the Republicans have a point in demanding that the Dems propose something -- anything --to deal with the budget: "... if Democrats are ever going to regain the momentum in the national conversation, they have to stand for something." And they do: for increased spending and economically toxic tax hikes.

In its lead editorial (also on Sunday), the solipsistic *Post* managed to quote itself. Reverting to the wisdom of Bill Clinton, the *Post* quoted him telling Ryan (after the Democratic upset in the NY-26 special election which was achieved by use of Medicare disinformation on Ryan's plan) "I told [Democrats] before you got here, I said I'm glad we won this race in New York. But I hope Democrats don't use this as an excuse to do nothing." The *Post* went on to quote its own November 16, 1996 editorial: "If Democrats play the Medicare card and win...they will have helped lock in place the enormous financial pressure that they themselves are the first to deplore on so many federal programs, not least the programs for the poor."

Any time the *Post* criticizes the Democrats' strategy, the Dems are in real trouble. When the *Times* joins in, the Dems are left with a strategy that resembles the stance of the owners of the Japanese nuclear power plants: in a meltdown they can't understand.

How did the Dems manage to reach such a parlous state? It's the handiwork of Jeff Sessions, actively supported by Minority Leader Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-Ky).

Almost two months ago, Sessions -- ranking Republican on the Senate Budget Committee -- anticipated the Democrats' stonewalling strategy. In an April 5 presser with Paul Ryan, he began by quoting the co-chairmen of Obama's deficit commission --Erskine Bowles and Alan

Simpson -- as saying we now face the most predictable budget crisis in our nation's history. "Therefore," Sessions said, "we have to act." He added that Obama had presented "the most irresponsible budget in the history of this Republic," increasing spending, taxes and debt, and that "the Senate has produced nothing."

Since then Sessions has been patiently building his case. And the Dems have been arrogant enough to feed him ammunition.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.), on the eve of the Senate's Memorial Day vacation, told the *L.A. Times* on Thursday, "There's no need to have a Democratic budget in my opinion. It would be foolish for us to do a budget at this stage."

On that same day Sessions (and rising star Sen. Kelly Ayotte of New Hampshire) sent Reid a letter signed by 48 Republican senators which said that by failing to produce a budget resolution, the Democratic Senate was defying the clear requirements of the law (the Congressional Budget Act of 1974). It said, in part, "in this time of economic danger, the Senate continues to stonewall any and all action on a FY2012 budget." Citing Reid's statement to the *L.A. Times*, the letter responded by saying, "We find these remarks shocking, especially given the state of our fiscal affairs."

Sessions won that round, forcing Reid to keep the Senate in pro-forma session during its Memorial Day vacation. That's a big deal, because Obama can't make recess appointments unless the Senate has adjourned. So what will happen when the Senate returns?

Sen. McConnell told me, in a radio interview two weeks ago, that he expects the budget debate to be another exercise in brinksmanship. McConnell has been firm: any budget deal has to include some Medicare fix and won't contain tax hikes.

I asked Sen. Sessions what we should expect when the Senate returns. In a Saturday e-mail, Sessions was also firm and quite clear.

Sessions told me, "Reducing spending is an acknowledgement of limits. But the hubristic, postmodern ideology of the Left does not recognize such limitations. Ad-

He continued, "Consider that in just the last couple years, non-defense discretionary spending has soared twenty-four percent -- not counting the more than \$800 billion spent on the failed financial stimulus. Yet we continue to hear doomsday predictions from the architects of these policies about what will happen if even modest restraints are put in place."

Sessions said that he feared Democratic leaders didn't absorb the lesson of the November 2010 election. That was confirmed on Meet the Press last Sunday when Sen. Chuck Schumer (D-NY) said that there was no daylight between himself, Obama, Clinton and the House Dems: they refuse to consider any real reform of Medicare. And spending cuts are anathema to them.

McConnell's prediction of Democratic brinksmanship will prove true. Sessions is digging in to defeat it. The end of his e-mail to me says it all: *The long challenge before us is a defining one for our nation and is almost as great as nearly any we have previously confronted. Our debt problem is not simply the product of a few poor decisions but is systemically embedded in nearly every corner of our governmental apparatus. We face some difficult tasks ahead -- but not one of them is impossible.*

The first of these tasks is to provide an honest assessment of what happens if we continue down the same course. Our current road leads us to debt and decline. But the right road, the responsible road, leads us not only to solvency but to prosperity. And the choice between these two futures is what this debate is all about.

There will be some last-minute agreement on the debt ceiling which will avoid a default. But this issue won't go away: the economy is still mired in an oxymoronic "jobless recovery" and next year's presidential campaign will focus on that more than anything else.

The CRS report on debt default says that under current legislation, the government will have to borrow another \$738 billion to keep going through the end of September. At the beginning of Fiscal Year 2012, the national debt could be over \$15 trillion unless Sessions, Ryan, and the rest of the conservative budget cutters succeed.

Literally can't afford for them to fail. Sessions and Ryan need to take their case outside the Beltway to the American voters. Continued joblessness, the rising cost of gasoline, the weak dollar are all due to Obama's spending spree, his refusal to open U.S. oil reserves to offshore drilling and Democratic intransigence on the cost of government.

No Republican presidential candidate can defeat Obama without forcefully and continuously standing with Sessions and Ryan. According to a new Rasmussen poll, only 35% of Americans think our nation's best years lie ahead. If Sessions and Ryan lose this fight, the pessimists will be proven right.

<http://spectator.org/archives/2011/05/31/sessions-leads-budget-battle/1>



May 31, 2011 e-mail newsletter

All the way across the country, Washington DC's policies are impacting Californians in some strong ways.

### Supreme Assault on the People of California

After the U. S. Supreme Court last week issued what Justice Scalia called "an order requiring California to release the staggering number of 46,000 convicted criminals," I was concerned, to say the least. As CA's Attorney General, I led the nationwide effort to enact the federal Prison Litigation Reform Act (PLRA). The language of the PLRA -- grossly misinterpreted by the Supreme Court -- was largely written by my office's professional prosecutors. We authored the PLRA to prevent federal judicial overreach such as a previous court order compelling Philadelphia to release thousands of inmates.

In the Philadelphia case, as recounted by Justice Alito and Chief Justice Roberts, "Although efforts were made to release only those prisoners who were least likely to commit violent crimes, that attempt was spectacularly unsuccessful. During an 18-month period, the Philadelphia police rearrested thousands of these prisoners for committing 9,732 new crimes. Those defendants were charged with 79 murders, 90 rapes, 1,113 assaults, 959 robberies, 701 burglaries, and 2,748 thefts, not to mention thousands of drug offenses."

If the Philadelphia case were not enough, we also learned last week that California has already mistakenly released 450 high-risk inmates as unsupervised parolees. This was before the Supreme Court mandated the state release tens of thousands of inmates.

I have come to know numerous victims of crime and surviving family members. For them this is not an abstract game played out for years in the courts. It is a cold harsh reality that they are forced to live with every day. For them and for potential future victims, the Supreme Court's decision is nothing short of a moral outrage.

My staff and I are scouring the Supreme Court's decision in search of any legislative remedy. The United States Supreme Court's foray into legislating prison sentences in California must be mitigated if at all possible.

### Implementing an All of the Above Energy Policy

I am also concerned by the high price of gasoline in our district. This month at home, I couldn't find anything cheaper than \$3.97/gallon, which is higher than the national average. With high unemployment as we head into summer vacations, these spiraling gas prices are an anchor to our economic growth.

I support the implementation of an "all of the above" energy policy which involves wind, solar, alternative fuels, the development of a new generation of lithium ion batteries and other energy initiatives. As we discover and transition to cheaper, cleaner fuels, we must also increase our domestic production of oil.

Therefore, I co-sponsored the North American-Made Energy Security Act with Congressman Lee Terry to expedite the consideration and approval of the construction of the Keystone XL oil pipeline, which would run from Canada to Nebraska then to the U.S. Gulf Coast. This pipeline could, according to the Congressional Research Service (CRS), bring as many as 100,000 barrels a day of American Bakken crude oil to the market. It is also projected by TransCanada, which builds and operates energy infrastructure in North America, to increase current capacity from 591,000 barrels a day to 1.1 million barrels a day. This greater supply would hopefully help alleviate the high gas prices, but the construction and operation of the pipeline as well as the increased work at refineries would mean more American jobs.