

# CVRW MARCH GENERAL MEETING

When: FRIDAY, MARCH 15

**Time:** 11:00 am – Registration and Social

Connections

11:30 am – Meeting business and

Lunch

12:00 pm – Guest Speakers:

#### TO BE ANNOUNCED

Updates will be provided via email and Facebook as soon as a speaker is confirmed

**Place: Sunset Hills Country Club** 

4155 Erbes Rd., Thousand Oaks

Cost: Members - \$28 (cash/Zelle/checks

payable to CVRW). Includes salad, soup, rolls

dessert, coffee and tea.

Non-Members - \$30 cash/Zelle/checks payable to CVRW) Includes salad, soup, rolls,

dessert, coffee and tea.

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

#### **RSVP BY MARCH 11**

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(Please note new email address)

#### A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Lisa Gelinas

"The Stormy March has come at last, with winds and clouds and changing skies; I hear the rushing of the blast that through the stormy valley flies." William C. Bryant

I was looking for a quote for the March newsletter and came across this one by William C. Bryant. Bryant was a very accomplished individual who started his career as a lawyer, but showed an interest in poetry early in his life. He was born in Cummington, MA in 1794. He became editor for two major newspapers. The New York Evening Post and The New York Post. Bryant was liberal in his views as a young man, but soon changed his views and was one of the founders of the Republican Party. He convinced Abraham Lincoln to run for office. He was a patriot in every sense of the word. When he died in 1878, he left an indelible legacy on New York City. Bryant Park being one of them as well as being an advocate for the building of Central Park.

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# **MEMBERSHIP**

By: Jennifer McCarthy

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

#### IF YOU WERE A MEMBER OF THE PREVIOUS

**CLUB**, and have not joined CVRW, this will be the last newsletter you will receive. We would hate for you to miss out on everything we have to offer for 2024, so please join ASAP!

#### **Ruby Lifetime:**

Kerry Nelson **Brandee Sisting** 

#### Platinum:

Michelle Spencer

#### Silver:

Lisa Gelinas Ruth McGettigan Donna Strull

#### **New Members:**

Laura Chabot \*Colleen Doran Carmen Grenat Miriam MacLeod \*Lindie Nelson \*Colette Ranallo Suzy Toton

#### **Associate Members:**

Tom Campbell **Bob Doherty Dennis Mattock David Nesbitt** 

# **GET INVOLVED!**

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

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



5 <sup>™</sup>	Presidential Primary		
6 <sup>TH</sup>	CVUSD Meeting		
$7^{\text{TH}}$	CVRW board Meeting		
10 <sup>TH</sup>	Daylight Savings Time		
12™	Board of Supervisors Meeting		
15 <sup>™</sup>	<b>CVRW General (daytime) Meeting</b>		
17 <sup>TH</sup>	St. Patrick's Day		
18™	Planning Commission Meeting		
19™	City Council Meeting/Spring Equinox		
$24^{\text{TH}}$	Palm Sunday		
$25^{\text{TH}}$	Planning Commission Meeting		
26 <sup>TH</sup>	City Council Meeting/Board of		
	Supervisors Meeting		
$27^{\text{TH}}$	CVUSD Meeting/Central Committee		
	Meeting		
29 <sup>TH</sup>	Good Friday		

Easter

31<sup>ST</sup>

# **CVRW BOOK CLUB**

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

**Book:** The Spirit of the Antichrist, Volume One

by J. B. Hixon

Exposing the global elite and their satanic conspiracy to take over the world.

**Date:** Monday March 18

*Time:* 12:30 pm

**Place:** Lazy Dog Restaurant and Bar

Outside the Oaks Mall

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

Jill Delaney@live.com

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Elisa Meissner

#### **Ballot Harvesting**

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**Voter Registration** 

Open

## CARING FOR AMERICA

by Jill Delaney

<u>Care America</u> is the giving part of CVRW with a focus on supporting Veterans and other groups in the area. PLEASE MAKE CONTRIBUTING ITEMS TO THESE IMPORTANT ORGANIZATIONS A PRIORITY! They depend on people like us to assist them in their work to help others.

In March, we will have a bin at our monthly meeting where you can drop off donations for James Storehouse. This is a local group who supports children in the Foster Care program, from birth until the time they age out at 18 years old. They even help young adults who are no longer eligible for assistance.

In March, we will be collecting items for teenagers and young adults. We would welcome your donations of:

- New or like-new clothes and shoes
- Non-perishable groceries
- Gift cards (stores, gas, restaurants)
- Bedding (all sizes)
- Small Household items (dishes, small appliances)

To learn more about this incredible organization we are supporting, check <u>jamesstorehouse.org</u>.

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



Federally, House Republicans have impeached Department of Homeland Security Secretary Mayorkas for a job terribly done at our southern border. Now it's time for the Senate to immediately hold a trial where the evidence against Mayorkas will be revealed to the American public. WE MUST pressure our Senators to do their jobs and hold the trial.

Heritage Action for America has provided the link below (with talking points) to contact your Congressional members in support of holding Mayorkas accountable.

## **TAKE ACTION:** <a href="https://bit.ly/30nm4DV">https://bit.ly/30nm4DV</a>

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

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

Locally, the Voter's Choice Act is in full force with mail in ballots for all registered voters and weeks long voting in effect. Ventura County Clerk Recorder Michelle Ascencion provided an

overview of the Voter's Choice Act and the county's election policies at the last three Board of Supervisors meetings. Ms. Ascencion repeatedly assured the Board that our elections are safe and secure.

**TAKE ACTION** by supporting our local election integrity watchdog groups, Restore the Vote Ventura, <a href="https://restorethevoteventura.org">https://restorethevoteventura.org</a>, and The Election Integrity Project California, <a href="https://eip-ca.com">https://eip-ca.com</a>. RTVV had a continued presence at the BOS meetings, holding signs and making public comments with concerns of potential fraud with electronic voting systems.

The EIP-CA completed several Election Observer Trainings, preparing community members with knowledge of election laws and how to properly observe and document irregularities with the voting process. If you didn't participate in the March primary, please consider participating in November. The county also hires temporary workers for the elections, and their training provides valuable insight to the process.



#### The News

By: Suzy T.

As Ron Burgundy said in Anchorman 2, "Real news is supposed to let people know what the powerful are up to so that power doesn't become corrupt. But what happens when the powerful own the news?

There is also a famous quote that has been attributed to Mark Twain, "If you don't read the newspaper you are uninformed, if you do read the newspaper you are misinformed.

Truer words have never been spoken. It was already well known that a few powerful people

own most news networks and control the narrative. Now George Soros has bought a radio network that will give him power over several radio stations. Soros is only honest about one thing; he does what he wants and he doesn't care how we feel about it.

People couldn't even tell their own stories anymore due to censorship on mainstream social media. The good news is that since 2020 many did open their eyes and find and created alternate sources of news. With outlets like Truth Social, GETTR and Rumble, people are once again free to share their own experiences.

While it's not as convenient as turning on the local news and getting a nice summary, including local events and the lighter side, it is certain worth visiting a few sites it to avoid wasting your time hearing lies and feeling frustrated. Ideally, if you have the time, you need to watch hearings and important events live so you can make up your own mind. However, sometimes we need a summary and a sense of comradery. Here are some popular choices:

- Tucker Carlson (The man interviewed Putin live and quite frankly deserves a Nobel peace prize)
- The HIGHWIRE (Del Bigtree focuses on the pandemic and vaccine lies as well as other issues)
- Wendy Bell Radio (on Rumble focused on latest news and has a way of reminding us to be strong)
- Joe Rogan (Honest and open interviews with people)
- Dan Bongino (on Rumble former secret service agent)

### **CVRW FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING**

Julia Snyder, candidate for VC Superior Court Judge, gave a comprehensive overview of the role of a Superior Court judge, the how the court administrative system works and the rules governing races for state judicial positions.

Halla Maher will provide report on her recent trip to Washington DC; her meeting with Congressman Kevin Kiley and others on lobbying on behalf of PERK, and an update on the congressional judicial committee.





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#### CONGRESS

#### Links to Republican Sites

National Republican Party:

http://republicannationalcommittee.org/home.html

Ca. Republican Party: <a href="https://www.cagop.org">www.cagop.org</a>
Ventura County Party: <a href="https://www.venturagop.org">www.venturagop.org</a>

L.A. County Party: <a href="www.lagop.org">www.lagop.org</a>
U.S. Senatorial Committee: <a href="www.nrsc.org">www.nrsc.org</a>

U.S. Congressional Committee: www.nrcc.org

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

NFRW info: nfrw.org CFRW info: cfrw.org

So Div info: cfrwsoutherndivision.org

VCRWF info: vcrwf.org



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# **Membership Application 2024**

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FULL Membe	<b>er:</b> \$35			
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ASSOCIATE (Spouses):\$15 (email) (SPOUSE NAME:)				
FULL Student_Membership:\$20 (emailed newsletter included)				
SPONSOR a Student(s) Mentorship:\$20 per student (emailed newsletter to student included)				
Make checks payable to: CVRW (Conejo Valley Republican Women) Mailing address: CVRW PO Box 7151, Thousand Oaks, CA 91359				
<ul> <li>Membership <u>dues are paid annually</u> – Due January 1 each year.</li> <li>Membership Newsletter E-mailed unless otherwise specified.</li> <li>MEMBERS MUST BE REGISTERED REPUBLICANS or NPP and join as a sustaining member.</li> </ul>				
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