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Republican Women of Reno Newsletter

January 2021

CALENDAR

Friday, January 1: New Year's Day

Wednesday, January 6: Stop the Steal Caravan & Protest, Washington, DC.

Thursday, January 7, 10 AM: RWR Board Meeting at 3500 Lakeside Court, Reno.

Monday, January 11, 10 AM: RWR Political Activities and Affairs (PAA) Committee Meeting, Home of Jeanne Quintana.

Thursday, January 14, 11:30 AM – 1 PM: RWR January Monthly Meeting at Red Hawk Country Club, 6600 N. Wingfield Parkway, Sparks.

Thursday, January 14, 6:30 PM: Washoe County Republican Party Executive Board Meeting, WCRP Office, 3652 S. Virginia St.

Wednesday, January 20: Pray for Our Country!

Thursday, January 21, 10 AM: RWR Membership Committee Meeting, Home of Becky Degn.

Friday, January 22, 10 AM: RWR Planning Meeting for 2021, Paisan's Restaurant, 6550 Longley Lane, Reno.

Second & Fourth Wednesdays, 10 AM: Conservative Talk Lunch, Paisan's Restaurant, 6550 Longley Lane, Reno. Contact Carole Fineberg, simi4relo@gmail.com

Saturdays in January (Ongoing) Noon: "Stop the Steal" rallies in front of State Capitol, Carson City. (For updated information, go to "NV Grassroots Patriots (Flag Parades)" Facebook page or "Conservatives of Northern Nevada" Nextdoor blog.)



Republican Women of Reno

Awarded "Number One in Nevada for Membership Recruitment and Growth."

Thursday, January 14th, 2021

Red Hawk Golf and Resort

6600 North Wingfield Parkway, Sparks, NV 89436

Doors open at: 11:00; Lunch 11:30; Speakers and meeting 12:00 PM

Seating Limited to 50—So get your reservation in early.



JOHN ACKERMAN

Home Defense and Security

NICK VANDER POEL

Election Results in Nevada
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For the safety of all, Red Hawk Country Club requests attendees wear face coverings and practice social distancing. Face coverings will be required except when eating. Seating will be 4 per table.

Lasagne Alla Bolognese, House Salad, Rolls and Butter,
Tiramisu, Coffee and ice tea

First Time guests: \$20

Pre-paid Reservations Required: <http://www.rwreno.org>

If you have trouble with the website please call Cindy Sassenrath at 707-721-2009.

Reservations need to be prepaid by January 7, 2021 by 4:00 PM

\$30-members \$35 non-members

Reservations: 866-806-5501, www.rwreno.org

Lynda Siminske, President

Brighter, Better New Year
Happy, Happy New Year!
I wish you the best,
Great work to reach
Your fondest goals,
And when you are done,
sweet rest.
I hope for your fulfillment,
Contentment, peace and more
A brighter, better new year
than
You've ever had before.
(Joanna Fuchs)



Dear RWR Friends, Happy New Year to all of you from myself and the RWR Board. We are looking to 2021 with great expectation...It couldn't be any worse than 2020. Maybe by January some you will even have had your covid vaccination. We are planning great meetings month by month depending on what our new rules and regulations are. We have some new officers and new Board members. We are meeting to get a handle on how to make our club even more productive. We would like each of you to get active on one of our committees. Reach out and greet someone new at our meetings. Our December Christmas Luncheon and meeting was such fun. We were only allowed 50 (the same for January) but we had a wonderful Christmas celebration including a guitarist, installation of new officers, and videos. We got to sing along the "Twelve Days of Christmas." Santa came giving our candy canes and posing for pictures. Thank you to Jack Herris for doing the installation of new officers. Outgoing officers were given gift certificates to Grateful Gardens Restaurant. I received a beautiful snow globe with Santa and a red rose inside. We thank our servers at Red Hawk for the wonderful job they have been doing serving us a delicious lunch. Our January luncheon will be very nice. Read the front page of the Compass for details. We have three interesting speakers. At this time we are limited to 50 people. Please get you reservation in early. And may 2021 be a Brighter, Better New Year!

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Claudia Fisher, Bylaws Committee

I thank RWR President Lynda for the appointment as RWR Bylaws Chair. I also thank **Past President Kathy Doyle, Nicöi Herris, Caroline Smith, and Glen Duppenhtaler** for joining me on this committee.

The RWR Bylaws Committee is asking for your review and recommendations of our latest Bylaws which can be found on www.RWReno.org . Although our Bylaws were last updated September 10, 2020, our organization is constantly changing with the fast times we live in. To that end, we are asking for you to take another review and submit your suggestions to the Committee Chair, Claudia Fisher, claudiafisher13@outlook.com. Please submit your suggestions/recommendations via email no later than January 10, 2021.

The Bylaws Committee will review your suggestions/recommendations for compliance with State and National Federal of Republican Women Bylaws. A full report and recommendation from RWR Bylaws Committee will be presented to the RWR Board and then the RWR General Membership.

We will endeavor to complete this process within the first quarter of 2021.

Kathy Doyle, E-Communications



Good News: RWR Met Its Goals for 2020!

In November 2019 the RWR Board of Directors held a special Planning Meeting to establish goals for 2020. It was a tough year with covid and a busy year with the elections, but thanks to our wonderful and resourceful members, RWR met their goals! Here's our RWR "Report Card" for 2020:

- ✓ Recruit new club members: Done. Brought membership up to over 200.
- ✓ Automate the reservation system: Done. Wild Apricot.
- ✓ Streamline the board meetings: Done.
- ✓ Deal with dues increase from National without having to raise basic membership dues: Done by creating John Hancock & Ronald Reagan levels of Membership.
- ✓ How to report new club members to National : Done - Monthly.
- ✓ Continue with our fabulous programs: Done.
- ✓ Hospitality for new members at our meetings: Done - Greeting Committee established.
- ✓ Work to encourage new members to get involved & join committees: Done.
- ✓ Communicate to members developments in various areas of Republican politics: Done.
- ✓ Achievement Award goals: Done for 2020.
- ✓ Ensure that handouts are available to all members: Done.

We will hold Planning Meetings annually, which will help us as a club improve and grow as we update our goals. Thank you to all!

Connie Furlong, Caring for America

The Blue Star Mother's are doing another shipment to our troops. I would like the ladies to bring a box of valentines to the January 14 luncheon. If they can sign the cards, great if not I will work on them.

How to write on the valentine,

To: Our military. Come home soon or stay safe, or you are in our prayers or thank you for your service

From: Republican Women of Reno

Your name, if you want.



Claudia Fisher, 2nd VP, Membership

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL DRIVE

The RWR Membership Committee has been hard at work with emails and phone calls to remind members of a timely membership renewal. YOUR active RWR membership participation is crucial to MAKING WASHOE COUNTY AND THE STATE OF NEVADA **RED** AGAIN. If you joined RWR prior to September 1, 2020, your 2021 Membership Renewal can be made at www.RWReno.org, or by mailing a check to RWR, PO Box 21292, Reno NV 89515. Annual dues are \$45.00. RWR has not changed this amount for over 5 years. Renew today, do not be left out of an exciting year.

**IT'S TIME TO
RENEW YOUR
MEMBERSHIP!**

As you review the articles and pictures in this issue of The Compass, I encourage you to become active by contacting any of the Committee Chairs or myself, claudiafisher13@outlook.com. I will be happy to coordinate your desire to become involved in Republican Women of Reno.

On 2020, Some Thoughts from Abraham Lincoln (Or: Don't Despair and Lose Hope)

(The following are excerpts from an article that appeared in *The American Thinker* on December 27, 2020. You can read the entire article on their website – <https://www.americanthinker.com>.)

Lincoln: “The probability that we may fail in the struggle ought not to deter us from the support of a cause that we believe to be just.”

First, the good news.

Conservatives have always recovered, and the Democrats look messy.

It was Nov. 3, 1992. Bill and Hillary Clinton managed to move into the White House with Al Gore toting the luggage. The Democrats had the House by a 258-176 margin. Democrats had the Senate by a 57-43 margin. Fledgling Rush Limbaugh was only as politically influential as Weird Al Yankovic. It was all over for conservatives.

But, in two short years, on Nov. 8, 1994 the Republicans had gained 54 seats in the House and overtook the advantage 230-204. Conservatives recovered.

Then, it was Nov. 5, 2008. Barack Obama and his Chinese/Ukrainian sidekick had won the White House. The Democrats had the House by a 257-178 margin. Democrats had the Senate 58 to 42. Surviving Republicans were practically reduced to tour guides in the National Mall area. It was all over for conservatives.

But, in two short years, on Nov. 2, 2010 the Republicans gained 63 seats in the House and overtook the advantage 241-194. Conservatives recovered.

So, given the above should our present conservative situation be considered doomed upon a Joe Biden coronation? Well ...

Comparing Biden's 2020 political scorecard to 1992 and 2008 is no comparison at all. The down-ballot Democrat performance in 2020 lacked even an inference of overall public support for the Democrat agenda -- whatever that is -- with significant House member reductions and minimal impact on the Senate.

Additionally, the Democrat party has established an unstable alliance of an aging, alleged moderate and his Clintonesque leftovers; a radical California progressive; Marxist radical Black Lives Matter (BLM) and Antifa; and a congressional bartender and her sickle-hammered comrades. BLM is already tapping their fingers on the desk waiting for payback. The Democrat House can likely only afford 4 defections on legislative initiatives given Republican solidarity (of course, not a given), but still a challenge for Democrats to pass anything not watered down.

Moving on to the Senate. There is a towering inferno of smoke saying Democrats will pack the Supreme Court, douse the filibuster, and add new states. The likelihood of that is zero if candidates Kelly Loeffler and/or David Perdue win in Georgia, and close to zero if Loeffler and Perdue both lose. West Virginia Democrat Sen. Joe Manchin as recently as Nov. 10 has stated that he will not support packing the court or removing the filibuster. There could be a few

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more Democrats on that page. All that is necessary is maybe one. So, the Democrats have little fire supporting their Senate smoke.

Now, the bad news. We are in a fraudulent system that does not ensure conservative recovery on any terms.

There was a fraudulent presidential election through manipulation of mail-in voting and other corrupt acts. Should this fraud continue in future elections, the chances of a Republican White House are very slim.

There is a fraudulent media that has manipulated the 2020 election. The suppression of the Hunter Biden story and other stories has skewed the election. A Media Research Center poll of 1,700 Democrats found:

One of every six Biden voters we surveyed (17%) said they would have abandoned Democratic candidate had they known the facts.

There is a fraudulent social media that is also controlling the public narrative through Facebook, Google, Twitter, and other censorship.

There is a fraudulent education system at the university and K-12 public school system levels twisting education into a broadcast system for socialist sentiments and false narratives about our country's founding.

There is a fraudulent American legal system with many black and blue robes -- but few red ones.

So, how might Abraham Lincoln help us contend through these difficult fraudulent times? Here are some quotes from the Brainy Quote site with the [words of the 16th president](#):

Lincoln: "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. Public sentiment is everything. With public sentiment, nothing can fail. Without it, nothing can succeed."

The task here is to overpower the mainstream media and big tech censorship with alternative information sources to ensure that the public does have the truth. Some platforms are already in place and growing with NewsMax, Parler, the Washington Times, the Washington Examiner, Real Clear Politics, the Federalist, Breitbart, talk radio, and of course -- the American Thinker -- among many others. These conservative media forces need to become more influential than the mainstream forces to accomplish our task.

The narrative needs to be wrested from the mainstream media so that the truth is understood, and public sentiment restored. Even a fraudulent election cannot overcome an informed and strong public sentiment.

The last wild card in the deck is the traditionally weak Republican Party, the alleged champion of the conservatives. Will they assume the mantle to drive home Lincoln's guidance through the predictable, difficult battle to overcome our fraudulent system? Finally, a valid application of "wokeness". It will take more than one man's obstinate orange courage. It will take the full force of woke, unified Republicans to drive this home.

Time will tell if they will.

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RWR, Christmas Luncheon



**Installation of Officers for 2021:
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Claudia Fisher, 2nd VP, Cindy Sassenrath,
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Angela Haakinson as ELF



Santa with Kathy Doyle and Doni Webber



DID YOU KNOW.....

- * Every day an estimated 10,000 Americans turn 65 and become eligible for our government's program.
- * One hundred years ago, the leading causes of death were pneumonia and influenza.
- * Eating nuts could improve colon cancer rate of survival.
- * Nevada is second in the nation for population growth. It has the 66th highest rent in the U.S.
- * In Taiwan, when the "Party" speaks, the people obey. If not, there is a \$33,000 fine per person for not following the rules to curb Covid 19.
- * 50% of children get cavities by the age of 8.
- * Three million people in the U.S. are living in health care facilities.
- * The albatros has the longest wingspan of any bird - up to 11 feet, and can live up to 50 years.
- * New York state has a debt ratio of \$118.2B.
- * Louis Prang, 1824 - 1909, began creating and selling Christmas cards in England, then in America. For many years until his death, he lived in Carson City. In 1874 - 1875, 5 million were bought in one year, some sold for \$1.00 each.
- * 80% of pedestrian fatalities are between dusk and dawn.
- * In 1920, the American flag had 45 stars on it. And the population of Las Vegas was 30.
- * Reno is the 66th highest housing rent in the nation.
- * **The average person eats 12 pounds of chocolate per year. (My husband is above average, way above average.)**





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I wish to receive the monthly RWR Newsletter by: Email Mail

I would like to get involved: Membership Luncheon Greeter Historian
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I authorize RWR to post any club photos that include me on the RWR website, the RWR newsletter or on Social Media sites when the photo pertains to and is associated with club events. Please initial below.

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