

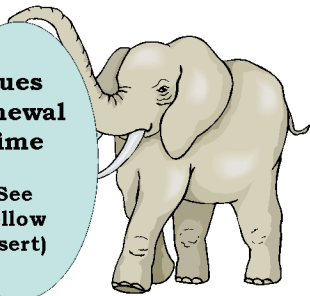
The Rossmoor Republican

December 2010



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San Ramon Valley High School Chamber Singers



The San Ramon Valley High School Chamber Singers will serenade the Republican Club of Rossmoor at its annual holiday gala. The group is widely known for its excellence in singing and high placement in festivals and competitions. It was the first place winner of the Northern California Golden State Choral Competition in 2002 and 2007 and a Gold Medalist for its performance at the Sydney Opera House in Australia.

Touring is a major component of the curriculum at SRVHS and the choirs have traveled to numerous U.S. cities, including New York, Philadelphia, Atlanta, Chicago, Anchorage, Salt Lake City and Dallas, as well as every major city in California, Oregon, Washington and Arizona. They have also traveled to Europe three times, and once to New Zealand and Australia, as mentioned

above. This past summer, they ventured to Costa Rica.

The group is led by Ken Abrams who is in his twenty-seventh year as the director at San Ramon Valley High School. In past years, Mr. Abrams has been selected as "Teacher of the Year" for both the San Ramon Valley Unified School District and for San Ramon Valley High School, as well as from the Danville Rotary Club. Mr. Abrams is also the Artistic Director of the Danville Girls Chorus, a community children's chorus with five separate choirs and one-hundred and sixty singers.

A blue dinner reservation form for December 8 is included in this issue of the Republican. The form **MUST be returned by noon, Friday, December 3. Reservation questions: 280-7280.**



Rejoice for America. Weep for California. “Courage” is the Watchword.

...President Richard Anderson

“T’s the season to be jolly. . .” Republicans are celebrating in this season, rejoicing in the wave that swept the country in last month’s election. It was a great gift. Our Democratic neighbors, on the other hand, are finding lumps of coal in their stockings.

What is truly stunning about the Republican sweep on November 2nd was the President’s response to it. Subconsciously echoing one of his predecessors, Richard Nixon, he admitted that “mistakes were made.” But that’s it; no greater epiphany was evident.

In his November 3rd press conference, Obama refused to accept the fact that Republican victories, at all levels of governance, represented a repudiation of his agenda. Rather he claimed that the American people just didn’t understand or appreciate what wonderful things he and his party had done for us in the last two years. Mr. Obama is a very bright young man but his hubris has led him to think that he is always the smartest guy in the room.

In truth, the American people had heard him and his party loud and clear, and understood what they were doing. But we didn’t want a staggering waste of money in his “stimulus” package that failed to stimulate. We didn’t approve of his bailout of the auto industry, believing that European and Japanese products were superior in quality and preferring to let the marketplace determine the survival of the fittest.

We did not want the government standing between us and our health care providers at an increase in cost and the certainty that rationing will follow. And we were alarmed at the massive, unsustainable spending and the trillions of dollars being added to the national debt, a debt that is being laid upon the backs of our children and grandchildren.

Ah, but Obama and the Democrat-controlled Congress knew what was best for us. They rammed through their liberal, social engineering program to the protest of Congressional Republicans and the American people. Tone deaf? You bet, and now they’re hearing music whose beat is to that of a different drummer and it is jarring to their senses.

We saw this here in California as our candidates went down to defeat. At least we are not blaming the electorate as Obama has done. Californians understood perfectly what our candidates were saying and rejected the message. Meg Whitman said she would cut the number of state public employees by 40,000 to begin to address the \$500 billion unfunded pen-

sion liability. The public employee unions heard her loud and clear and poured millions into the Brown campaign.

Other Republican candidates talked about living within our means, alluding perhaps to the silly business of appropriating billions for stem cell research when the only outcome has been the sprinkling of the California landscape with shiny new buildings without any scientific advances. Or the fact that nice-to-have things such as high-speed rail were crowding out services to the disadvantaged and assistance to our schools. Think about this while you sit in traffic on roads long overdue for improvement and repair while a privileged few ride the rails to Southern California on a journey that lasts 4 to 5 hours, a trip Southwest Airlines makes in about an hour at the same or lower cost.

We Republicans do not suffer Mr. Obama’s delusions. We do not hide behind the pretense that the public either does not understand or appreciate our message. We have the backbone of belief to say that when the situation demands it we will cut back on services and tax breaks in order to live within our means. These cuts will hurt, but then hurt is what our neighbors experience when they lose their jobs and their homes.

Let us not drink too deeply of the champagne, however, lest our vision becomes blurred. The voters don’t like us Republicans very much but they just happen to like Democrats even less right now. The election certainly wasn’t an endorsement of our recent record, rather it was an expression of the hope we can stop the stampede toward financial ruin.

Are we brave enough to do this? Can we say NO to our special interests and eliminate earmarks? Can we cut spending and eliminate tax breaks even if it hurts our political base? We can if we summon the courage the American people are asking us to display.

We Republicans have respect for Natural Law and the way things work in the real world. It is not lost on us, therefore, that Nature’s way of bringing light to our land is to begin with the sun rising in the east bringing the dawn of hope that spreads across the continent dispelling darkness, eventually even the political darkness that shrouds these Pacific shores. We thus continue our march toward 2012 in confidence.

Merry Christmas and a Happy (Republican) New Year to you all!

The Year in Review



**John Yoo,
Former
Presidential
Counsel**



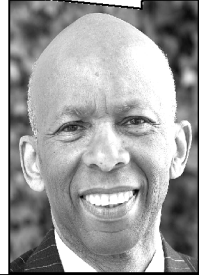
**Meg Whitman,
Candidate for
Governor**



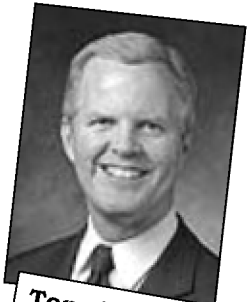
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date for U.S. Senate**



**Max Noel,
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FBI Agent**



**Chuck DeVore,
Candidate for U.S.
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NEW MEMBER!**

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DECEMBER DINNER MEETING

Wednesday, December 8, 2010, Fireside Room, Gateway

5:15 pm Social Time, 6:00 pm Dinner

THERE WILL BE A HOSTED WINE AND BEER BAR

Menu

Roast Prime Rib of Beef Au Jus with Horseradish Sauce

Scalloped Potatoes

Baby Greens, with Raspberry Vinaigrette, Blue Cheese, Candied Walnut

Vegetarian entrée: Stuffed Portabella Mushroom

Hot Fudge Sundae

Decaf Coffee or Hot Tea

Reservation deadline: Noon, Friday, December 3

Reservation questions: Call 280-7280