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DCRW NEWS The Latest From Douglas County Republican Momen December 2023

President's Message

s I begin to write my President's message for the last time in four years, I am not sure where to begin other than a "Big Thank Gou" to everyone who helped make my two terms, fun, interesting, rewarding, unusual, and sometimes challenging. But



most of all "thank you" for the friendships that we developed over the years.

Thank you to all the committee chairs and members for your dedication to our Club that has helped us grow so much over the last four years. Our members enthusiasm, commitment, and new ideas helped us receive the coveted Diamond Award again this year.

Congratulations to incoming President, Mo Karas, her Executive Board, and Board of Directors. We are all looking forward to great things in 2024.

It has been my pleasure to serve as your President these last four years.

Be happy,





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You Are Invited

Come find out what the Douglas County Republican Women are all about. You are invited to join us at any of our regular monthly lunch meetings held the first Wednesday of every month.

Next Meeting: December 6th

Christmas Party

Valley Christian Fellowship 1681 Lucerne St., Minden

Doors open 11:00 am Meeting starts at 11:45 a.m.

Reservations Required To reserve your spot contact: Elinor Lacy at 415•985•5432 elinoralacy3@comcast.net

Cost: \$15.00

Reservation deadline: **December 1, 2023**

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This Months Menn

Slow Cooker Pot Roast Potatoes, Carrots & Vegetables Salad & Rolls Cake



t's not just food and no fun! The DCRW Christmas Party has so much more planned just for you ...

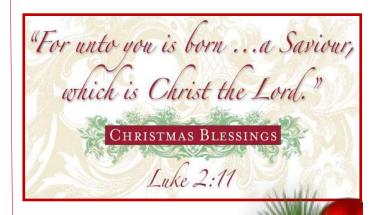
Ugly Sweater Contest

Gift Exchange (\$15.00) (optional)

Lots of Games

Entertainment Provided By: The Sierra Lutheran Church Band

And just maybe a surprise!



Membership Report RENEW YOUR 2024 MEMBERSHP NOW!



024 is right around the corner, and that means you will be welcoming the ever capable and inspiring Judy Marsh as your new Membership Chair, Judy and her team—Kathy Brownlee and

Cathie Lund—will bring new energy to growing DCRW's Membership. I know you will help me welcome them into their new roles for the club. Please drop by their table and let them know how much you appreciate their good works.

DCRW is off to a great start for 2024. We have 70 full members with 52 renewing and 13 associate members. Our goal is a 70% renewal by February, so we need another 29 members to renew. Please help us reach our goal by asking your DCRW sisters if they have renewed. And, of

course, in December, renewing ladies will have a chance to win our last \$25 gift certificate to Gardnerville's Especially for You.

Thank you all for a fantastic four years as your Membership Chair. I hope I can count on your support for a fun-filled, productive two-years as

your President. 2024 will be filled with challenges for our Republican Christmas Party and win candidates and especially defeating the Rank Choice Voting a \$25.00 gift certificate to ballot initiative. It will take each of us in our own capacity to ensure

> our Constitutional Republic and the liberties enshrined in our Constitution and Bill of Rights live on. Onward and upward! 📎

Together We Win!

Mo Karas





Recording Notification Service

Renew at DCRW's

Especially for You!

hawnyne Garren, Douglas County Recorder, was the speaker at our November meeting replacing Congressman Amodei. Shawnyne has worked in a variety of positions in the Recorder's office since 2007 and was elected in 2022. She serves on multiple committees for PRIA (Property Records Industry Association) on the national level and is the government co-chair for Nevada's PRIA local chapter. She is

also the 1st Vice President of the Nevada Fiscal Officers Association and Secretary of the Recorders Association of Nevada. She explained that the Recorder's office records, and makes public, records of all land and marriage records in Douglas County.

Shawnyne answered the question, "Can someone steal my house?" The short answer is yes, but 13 of 17 counties in Nevada now offer the Recording Notification System (RNS). You can sign up for this free service at the Recorder's office. This service allows members of the public to receive an email alert when a document has been recorded at the Douglas County Recorder's Office. The service is provided as a courtesy to Douglas County residents and property owners. However, there is no guarantee that using the service will prevent fraud or inform a member of all documents recorded that may pertain to their property.

> To view the RNS Frequently Asked Questions, click on this link: RNS FAQ

Honoring Sheriff Coverly



THE CLAREMONT INSTITUTE Recovering the American Idea

The Claremont Institute is delighted to announce the newest members of the Claremont family: the 2023 Sheriffs Fellows.

This year's impressive group of Sheriffs Fellows were selected from across the nation for their incredible service in upholding law and order in our communities and our great nation.

Sheriff Dan Coverley was one of those new inductees this year. Dan was born and raised in Douglas County, NV. He graduated from the University of New Mexico, where he played football and graduated with a B.A. in Criminology.

He has been in law enforcement for 28 years, starting his career with the Albuquerque Police Department and moving to the Douglas County Sheriff's Office in 1997. Dan was a member of the Sheriff's Office SWAT team from 1999



to 2014. He attended the 263rd Session of the FBI National Academy in Quantico, VA in 2016. Dan was elected as Douglas County's 21st Sheriff in 2018. ♦

DCRW is Presented Diamond Achievement Award

CRW was once again presented the coveted Diamond Achievement Award during the NvFRW Biennial Conference held in Reno last October. This award was presented to 15 of the 20



Nevada Republican Women's Clubs and is NvFRW's highest award.

According to NvFRW Achievement Awards Chair, Roxanne Husmann of Washington, the Awards program is designed to enhance teamwork among members of each club. Clubs earn points over a two-year period, and the awards are presented at the National

Federation of Republican Women's Biennial Convention.

Clubs earn points by attending meetings, making political

phone calls, giving to their charities, publishing a newsletter, going to the State and National meetings, donating books to the library, supporting PEM, etc. Brenda Robertson, DCRW President, says of our Club, "I am not only honored to receive this award for the second time, but I'm also proud of our members' involvement allowing DCRW to receive the Diamond Award for so many years."





Items Always Needed!

The need for silent auction items is ongoing by DCRW. When cleaning out your closets or cupboards think DCRW! Your items should be in good condition, with an estimated value for your donated item(s).

Three simple steps:

- If possible, contact Gloria Darrington to let her know what you are bringing to auction off. Her email is gdarrington@charter.net OR
- Just bring your item and give it to Gloria at the meeting. The earlier, the better so all members have an opportunity to see and bid on the item.
- Gloria will write up the bid sheet on your behalf.

Your New 2024/25 Board

At the November meeting, the DCRW membership voted in the following new Executive Officers who will be serving you over the next two years:

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

President: Mo Karas 1st Vice President: Ginger Starrett

2nd Vice President: Judy Marsh

 Co-Membership Chairs: Kathy Brownlee & Cathie Lund

Caring for Our Members



his month, June Shafer sent out two cards. A "Thinking of You" card was sent to Jean Tomlinson, and a speedy recovery card was sent to Barbara Smallwood.

If you know of a DCRW member who could use a little encouragement or cheer, please contact Jean Tomlinson to let her know. You can contact her at 775●267●2408. ◆



Secretary: Charlotte Ursic Treasurer: Tina Neppl

Co-Treasurer: Cindy Arvayo

As we congratulate, welcome, and support these newly elected Officers onto the Board, let's also remember to give a big thank you to the 2022/2023 Executive Officers

who served us so well and so faithfully over the last two years! �





his year's Nevada Day celebrated the 159th anniversary of statehood, and quite the annual celebration it was right here in the birthplace of Nevada. The Nevada Legislature established it as a state holiday in 1933.

Not often acknowledged or even known by many residents of our city and state is that Carson City is the very heart of Nevada. President Abraham Lincoln wanted the Nevada Territory to become a state to assure the wealth from the Nevada Comstock mines would remain in the hands of the Union, and not in the hands of the Confederacy. So, it was during the Civil War this state received the authorization from President Lincoln and the U.S. Congress to become the 36th state on October 31, 1864. This is why Nevada is known as the Battle Born State.

It was President Lincoln who commissioned James W. Nye as the governor of the new Nevada Territory and assigned Orion Clemens—the older brother of Samuel Langhorne Clemens—to travel to Carson City to become secretary to Nye to shepherd the admittance of Nevada to the Union. This year, the theme of the Nevada Day celebration was Nevada's counties. We now have 17 counties but the County of Bullfrog was created by the State Legislature in 1987, consisting of 144 square miles with no people and no buildings. It had to do with a proposed nuclear dump and was deemed unconstitutional by a district judge. Ormsby County in western Nevada was the state capital and was named for William Ormsby, who was killed in the Pyramid Lake Indian War. The name was later changed to Carson City after John C. Fremont's guide, Kit Carson.

Everyone loves a good old-fashioned parade, and no one does it better than Carson City as over 200 entrants helped us—many of them marching bands—celebrate our role as the seat of government for the past 173 years from Utah Territory to statehood. DCRW President, Brenda Robertson, walked with the Boys & Girls Club of Carson Valley, and both Joy Trushenski (member) and Mo Karas (2nd Vice President) walked with the Carson City Republican Central Committee. �



Thanksgiving harkens back to a 1621 Harvest Meal that did not include turkey or mashed potatoes, but did have pumpkin. There was seafood and the Wampanoag brought deer. We, today, often say our Thanksgiving Grace looking

forward with mouths watering for a slice of dark meat or breast, some kind of fancy dressing, an assortment of special vegetable dishes—and pie!

No doubt the Pilgrims in Plymouth, Massachusetts, were glad to have a feast, but an even bigger reason to be thankful was a somber one: those attending had survived the brutal winter of 1620-1621 in which half of their number had died. It is likely all would have perished had it not been for the willingness of the Wampanoag to help them and teach them skills for growing crops. George Washington first

called for a "day of public thanksgiving and prayer" to



commemorate America's victory in the American Revolution. Abraham Lincoln moved Thanksgiving from September to November to help heal wounds from the Civil War. The Bible mentions "gratitude" 157 times. Yet "fear not" appears 357 times. Still both exceed the 72 times for "thanks" or "thanksgiving."

I find it comforting that giving thanks includes recognizing the struggles life presents and appreciating that God is with us, even when things go wrong. Pray for peace this Thanksgiving. The world is in His hands. \bigotimes

Ginger Starrett

Chaplain



Nevada

Nevada State Flower: Sagebrush

Dear Heavenly Father,

We thank You for the United States that we are privileged to live in as citizens.

We thank Thee Father for the Constitution of the United States and the Bill of Rights.

Father, we thank Thee for the Republican Party and the National and State Federation's of the Republican Women.

We ask Father that our leaders will choose the correct course for our land.

We pray Father that Thou will guide all the voters to vote in the right direction for our country that we may bring our country back to greatness.

In Jesus Christ's Name.

AMEN

Submitted by: Cher Daniels - State Chaplain, N. Nevada FRW

Meet Speaker Mike Johnson

O n October 25th **James Michael Johnson** (born January 30, 1972) was elected the 56th speaker of the House. The Republicancontrolled House voted, 220-208, to make Johnson the 56th speaker in history. Johnson called the appointment "the honor of a lifetime" in a statement posted to social media site X, formerly known as Twitter. "As Speaker, I will ensure the House delivers results and inspires change."

Johnson is a graduate of the Paul M. Hebert Law Center at Louisiana State University.

Before entering politics, he worked as an attorney in private and for Alliance practice Defending Freedom (ADF). He then sat on the Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention between 2004 and 2012. Johnson's political career began when he ran unopposed for the Louisiana House of Representatives in the special election to fill the vacant seat in the lower chamber of the Louisiana

legislature. He served in that body until 2017.

Johnson was first elected to represent Louisiana's 4th congressional district in 2016. During his time in Congress, he contested the results of the 2020 presidential election on the House floor and in court. He supported bills that would institute a nationwide ban on abortion. Johnson served as chair of the Republican Study Committee from 2019 to 2021. He was vice chair of the House Republican Conference from 2021 to 2023. As a constitutional lawyer, Johnson rose to become a senior attorney and partner at Kitchens Law Firm in Minden, Louisiana. He also served as a litigator and spokesman for Alliance Defense Fund, a conservative Christian legal advocacy group that has pursued an anti-LGBTQ rights agenda. Twice (in 2004 and 2014) Johnson defended Louisiana's ban on same-sex marriage before the state Supreme Court.

In Congress, guided foremost by his evangelical faith and belief in traditionalist

family structures, Johnson has amassed a staunch conservative voting record. As of 2022-2023, he had earned lifetime scores of 89% and nearly 92%, respectively. from Heritage Action for America and the Conservative Political Action **Conference** (formerly American Conservative Union). Moreover, the Susan B. Anthony Pro -Life America organization's scorecard awarded him an A+ rating.

In 1999 Johnson married Kelly Lary, an elementary- and secondary-school teacher who later became a licensed pastoral counselor.

Johnson and his wife host the podcast *Truth Be Told*, which explores Christianity's role in American civil life. They have four biological children—two sons and two daughters. Early in their marriage, they took custody of a Black teenager (now an adult), whom they raised as a son though never formally adopted. \diamondsuit





Johnson with his wife, Kelly.





STANDING AGAINST EXTREMISM

This week, for the 26th time in our history, the House of Representatives censured one of its members. A bipartisan majority voted to hold Representative Rashida Tlaib (D-MI) accountable for propagating Hamas lies and anti-Semitic hate.

Let's be clear that this is not a First Amendment issue – anyone has the right to make stupid, ill-informed statements. However, the House also has the right to rebuke this behavior and make it clear that there must be consequences for the propagation of terrorist lies. I was proud to vote in favor of the resolution to censure Rep. Tlaib and send a message that this type of hate has no place in Congress

THE BIDEN BORDER CRISIS

Since President Biden took office, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has logged more than 6.2 million illegal border crossings, plus at least 1.5 million "gotaways" – those who CBP estimate have made it into the country without being caught. These alarming numbers are a direct result of Joe Biden's open border policies, that he claims are a part of his plan to promote "safe, orderly, and humane migration," but:

- Is there anything safe about the journey migrants take in the "care" of cartels?
- Is there anything orderly about the thousands of pounds of fentanyl smuggled across the border?
- Is there anything humane about the exploitation and trafficking of migrant women and children?

Amodei Reports

When it comes to the crisis on the southern border, there's no single facet that encapsulates the entire problem. Whether it's the sheer number of migrants overwhelming Border Patrol



and the towns they're crossing into, the security breakdown that enables fentanyl and other illicit drugs to pour into the United States and kill our loved ones, or how the Biden Administration cuts corners in order to place migrant children with unvetted sponsors, this chaos is a direct result of Joe Biden's refusal to secure the border.

Make no mistake, House Republicans know that what's happening at our southern border is dangerous, inhumane, and untenable. This is why we passed the **Secure the Border Act** (H.R. 2), which is the strongest border security package in American history. This legislation would:

- Increase the number of Border Patrol Agents.
- End catch and release.
- Strengthen current law to protect unaccompanied children from human trafficking.
- Deploy additional technology to detect and prevent the entry of narcotics.
- End abuse of executive immigration authority.

It is well past time to take back control of the border and I urge the Senate to immediately act on this legislation so we can do just that.

STAY IN TOUCH

For additional information, you can visit Congressman Amodei's website at: https://amodei.house.gov/

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Prepare for the Caucus!

2024 PRESIDENTIAL [®] CAUCUS



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IMPORTANT DATES:

Thursday, Feb 8, 2024, Republican Presidential Preference Poll (aka Nv Republican Party Caucus 2024). Voting in person and one day only.

Tuesday Feb 6, 2024, Nevada Secretary of State (NV SoS) Presidential Preference Primary Election (Party affiliated Ballot only) Early voting dates available.

Tuesday, June 11, 2024, Primary Election for State Representatives and Local Offices (Party affiliated Ballot only) early voting dates available

Tuesday, Nov 5, 2024, General Election (Presidential, State Rep & Local Offices) Open Voting; early voting dates available.

In order to vote in the 2024 Presidential Caucus, Republican voters must be registered to vote by **January 8, 2024**. It is suggested you go to the Nevada Secretary of State website to verify your registration: <u>https://www.nvsos.gov/votersearch</u>





December

- Dec 06 DCRW Lunch Meeting @ VCF 11am
- Dec 07 Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
- Dec 07 Hanukkah (start)
- Dec 13 SNRW Meeting @ COD Casino 11:30
- Dec 14 DCRCC Meeting @ Elks Lodge 7pm
- Dec 21 Winter Solstice
- Dec 25 Christmas Day
- Dec 26 Kwanza (start) CHRISTINS



- Jan 01 Happy New Year!
- Jan 03 DCRW Lunch Meeting @ VCF 11am
- Jan 10 SNRW Meeting @ COD Casino 11:30
- Jan 11 DCRCC Meeting @ Elks Lodge 7pm
- Jan 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day

February

PRESIDENTIAL

- Feb 01 Black History Month
- Feb 06 Primary Voting
- Feb 07 DCRW Lunch Meeting @ VCF 11am
- Feb 08 2024 Presidential Caucus
- Feb 14 Ash Wednesday (1st day of Lent)
- Feb 14 Happy Valentine's Day
- Feb 14 SNRW Meeting @ COD Casino 11:30
- Feb 18 Douglas County Lincoln Day Event
- Feb 19 President's Day

It Takes Strong Women to Run the DCRW!





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Worthwhile Websites

Douglas County Republican Women: www.dcrwnevada.com

Nevada Federation of Republican Women: <u>www.nvfrw.org</u>

> Nevada Republican Party www.nevadagop.org

Douglas County Republican Central Committee: www.douglasgop.org

Republican National Committee: www.rnc.org

> The Patriot Post: https://patriotpost.us

Heritage Foundation: www.heritage.org

Newsmax: www.newsmax.com

Pacific Justice Institute: www.pacificjustice.org

> Nevada Governor: https://gov.nv.gov

Note: All the above website links are clickable and will take you directly to the website.



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Let Them Hear from You



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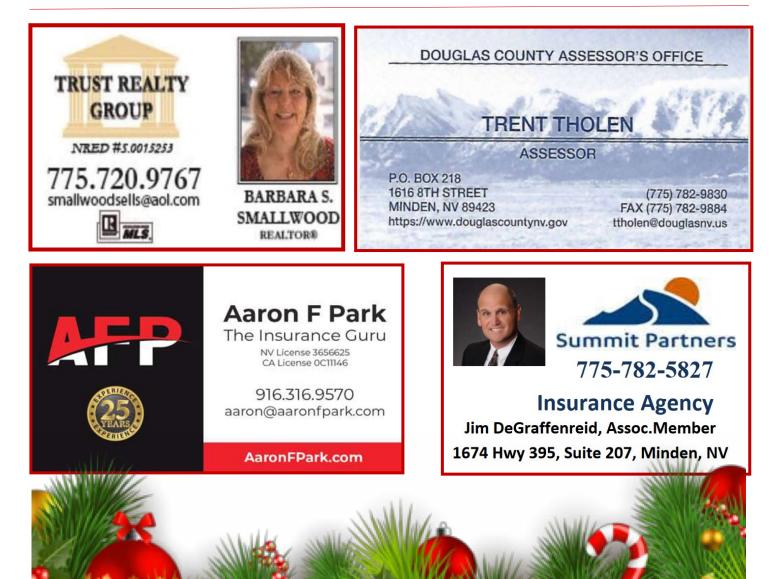
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Pictured is Barbara Kirk, the NvFRW Treasurer. Brenda, Max, Janet and Mo drove to Reno to celebrate her birthday on November 17th. Happy Birthday, Barbara!







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Our Talent Search slips will be printed on bright pink paper and handed out at our DCRW monthly meetings. Please consider sharing your special talents with us and consider how you can get involved.

