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AUGUST

3 Board meeting

21 Luncheon

31 Board meeting

SEPTEMBER

7 Labor Day Holiday

11 Rosh Hashanah

18 Luncheon

21 Yom Kippur

2026 Meeting Dates

Oct 16	Luncheon
Nov 20	Luncheon
Dec 11	Holiday Bingo

Jenny Rae Le Roux August Speaker



Jenny Rae is an accomplished business owner, author and strategic advisor with a B.A. in Economics from the University of Virginia and an MBA from Columbia Business School.

She co-built companies in the energy and financial services industries before purchasing Management Consulted, a private tech-enabled services company. She knows the limitations our state has placed on the American Dream — and she's ready for us to do better.

Jenny Rae is proud to be Executive Director of CAL DOGE. We must get government out of the way of hardworking Californians and reclaim our future.

Through CAL DOGE, she has focused herself on a mission to make California work for the people who call it home. From working-class families to entrepreneurs unafraid to dream, Jenny Rae believes opportunity belongs to those looking for it.



Sophia Fang September Speaker

Chinese by birth, American by choice, Engineer by profession, Speaker by passion. Sophia Fang speaks to local groups about Chinese culture and human rights from the vantage point of someone who grew up in China and wised up in the U.S. She immigrated to the U.S. in the 1990s and works in the telecommunications field. She will be talking about the Senate Bill S.4009, the history of it, who and what is behind it.

Senate Bill S.4009 is the Falun Gong and Victims of Forced Organ Harvesting Protection Act, introduced in the 119th Congress on March 5, 2026 by Senators Ted Cruz and Jeff Merkley to impose sanctions on those responsible for forced organ harvesting in China and require annual reporting on China's organ transplant system.

RBRW Disclaimer: RBRW is in part the education arm of the Republican Party. In that endeavor, RBRW invites registered Republicans and Independents; and organizations vetted by the Board to our monthly meetings to inform and educate our members on a wide variety of topics. The information imparted is NOT to be considered as a position or endorsement by the RBRW Board or its membership. RBRW is a 527-political non-profit organization.

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CANCELTATION POLICY

Cancellations made after the Friday before the meeting deadline, will be billed to you. Thank you.

PRAY FOR OUR NATION

Julie Carlson | Chaplain

Dear Lord,

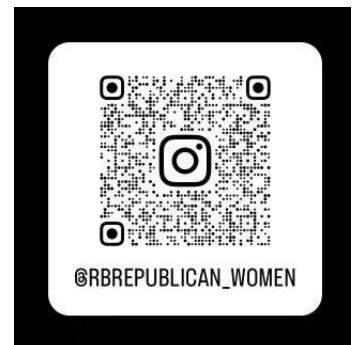
We lift America before You today. In a time of division, we ask that You bind us together with cords of love that cannot be broken. Teach us to value one another above differences of race, politics, or culture. Let peace and understanding replace hostility, and may forgiveness heal the wounds of the past. Lord, raise leaders who seek harmony and neighbors who walk in compassion. Unite us as one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

In Your Name,
Amen.



Check **RBRW** on **Instagram**. You can click on the link below in blue or take a picture on your cellphone of the QR code to the right. Both will take you right to our page. Then click on follow.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Connie Munoz | President | info@rbrepublicanwomen.org

I've just been traveling in Colombia, South America, and I am in awe of the way they conduct their elections. The entire election takes place on a single Sunday, with all voting occurring on that day. Citizens go to their assigned polling places, where they present their national identification card, sign the voter registry, and receive their ballot. They then mark an "X" next to the photograph of the candidate of their choice and deposit the ballot into the ballot box.

When voting ends, the election judges, together with representatives from the political parties, immediately begin counting the ballots at each polling station. Once the count is complete, they verify and sign the official tally, digitize the results, and transmit them to the national electoral authority. Because the counting is done publicly at each polling place and the results are transmitted immediately, the outcome of the election is generally known within about four hours after the polls close.

The system is not foolproof. In some areas, illegal armed groups and drug trafficking organizations have reportedly intimidated or coerced voters, particularly in smaller and more remote communities. In such cases, voters may be pressured to support a particular candidate and, in some instances, to provide evidence of how they voted. These are serious challenges that can undermine the integrity of the electoral process. However, no electoral system is completely immune to fraud or coercion. Colombia's procedures appear to minimize many opportunities for vote-counting fraud by using transparent, public counting at each polling station with oversight from election officials and representatives of multiple political parties.

Hearing about this process firsthand left me impressed by its efficiency, transparency, and the speed with which the results are reported, while also highlighting the ongoing challenges that any democracy faces in protecting voters from intimidation and ensuring free and fair elections.

Connie



MEMBERSHIP

De Hunold and Lavada Jurscak | Co-2nd Membership Chairs | membership@rbrepublicanwomen.org



Please welcome New Member:

Diane Wheeler

Our membership continues to grow, with 133 members and 20 supporting members for a total of 153. We reached our goal!

Our new goal for 2026 is to reach 160+ members, and with everyone's help, we can absolutely make it happen. Let's grow our membership!

- Bring in one new member and receive a MAGA hat keychain.
- Bring in two new members and receive a patriotic scarf.

All 2026 Membership Directories have now been distributed. A sincere thank you to the members who helped ensure the remaining directories reached everyone.

RENEWING THE TRADITIONAL WAY

If you prefer, you can download and print the form in this newsletter

Mail your form with a check to:

RBRW, P.O. Box 28422, San Diego, CA, 92198

RENEWING ONLINE

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2026-membership-drive-tickets-1860244554539G>

When you select the button, you will be prompted to fill in the blanks and credit card information. There is a \$4.14 convenience fee charge to renew online. Renewing online is safe, convenient and easy! You can also fill out a membership form and pay with

Cash / Check / Credit Card at the luncheon.



Aug 1	Roselyn Morgan
Aug 6	Jan Iverson
Aug 14	Floyd Humphreys
Aug 19	Jean Munich
	Karen Wisdom
Aug 21	Patricia L. Johnson
	Teresa Tilseth
Aug 22	Lynn Ann Reagan
Aug 23	Toni Bevan
Aug 25	Dori Sending
Aug 27	Kathy Stuart



Sep 3	Barbara Carnahan
Sep 7	Liz Mullarkey
Sep 18	Debbie Mettenleiter
Sep 22	Connie Munoz
Sep 26	Rebecca Hernandez

This country will not be a good place for any of us to live in unless we make it a good place for all of us to live in.

Theodore Roosevelt

2026 Membership Application

Rancho Bernardo Republican Women

P.O. Box 28422, San Diego, CA 92198-0422



Name: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip Code

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Birthday (month, day, year): _____
(to verify voter registration)

Do you want your information (name, phone, email, birthday/month, year joined, and photo) to be included in the RBRW Directory?

☐ Yes ☐ No

- ☐ **Regular Member (\$35 annually)** - Republican women who support RBRW with and without active participation. Regular members have voting privileges.
- ☐ **Supporting Member (\$20 annually)** - Any Republican man in the County of San Diego, or Republican woman (or man) residing out of the County of San Diego. Supporting members are non-voting members.

Rancho Bernardo Republican Women (RBRW) publishes a monthly newsletter, which is available on their website. I, _____, hereby authorize RBRW permission to release my name and my image in photographs for publication in the RBRW Republican Reporter newsletter.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

www.RBRepublicanWomen.org or contact: membership@rbrepublicanwomen.org

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WAYS & MEANS

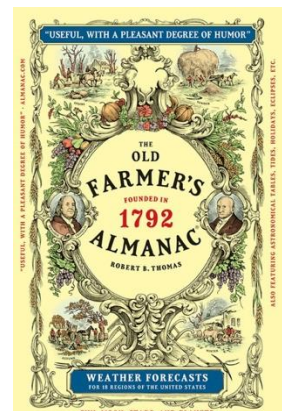
Jenny Cole and Anesh Speck | Co-Chairs

We hope everyone enjoyed the camaraderie last meeting at the work event. We held a *"Share the Purse"* drawing and congratulations to Teri for winning the summer fun watermelon basket. To keep honoring the original 13 colonies we chose **New Hampshire** with its motto *Live Free or Die* for the month of August.

New Hampshire was the first colony to declare its independence from Britain and in one of the first acts of rebellion Fort William and Mary was seized from the British in 1774. Once free NH then held the first Presidential Election cycle. The land is known for its vast granite formations and quarries. During rapid industrialization and population growth it became a center for textile manufacturing, shoemaking, papermaking and cotton textiles. It is well known for its trout, striped bass, purple lilacs, pumpkins, smoky quartz, and features the shortest ocean coastline of any state at only 18 miles. Today the makeup of the state is Finance, Real Estate, Education, Transportation, High Tech, and is among the wealthiest and most educated of our 50 states. NH has no income tax, no taxes on sales, capital gains, or inheritance tax, and relies on property taxes to fund education. Places to visit are the Fall Foliage, White Mountain National Forrest, The Appalachian Trail, and the 6288' peak of Mount Washington. NH is known for the following goods-Timberland Work Boots, Stonyfield yogurt, Maple Syrup, Blackwater Jam, Segway, Pewter, Crystal, Velcro, Ruger guns, Badger balm, and the Old Farmers Almanac. Let's see how many of these products we can squeeze into the basket!



Live Free or Die



LEGISLATION

Pamela Candelore | Legislation

Propositions:

Prop 1- Bond for Housing (11.25 Billion)

Prop 2 – Changes Reserve and Spending Limit

Prop 3 – Makes an existing high-income tax permanent instead of letting it expire NO

Prop 4 – Public Funds for Campaigns

Prop 37 – Bond for Housing (25 Billion)

Prop 38 – Bond for Medical Research (8.4 Billion)

Prop 40 – “Billionaires Tax”, but language on Page 26 allows Legislature to change wealth/asset thresholds. We could be next. NO – Comes from Sacramento

Prop 41 – Requires audits for new tax expenditures YES

Prop 42 – Prohibits wealth/asset taxes YES – Comes from Howard Jarvis

Prop 43 – Save Prop 13 YES

City Prop A – Reduces City construction costs by prohibiting City from requiring project labor agreements unless required by State.

City Prop B – Seeks to reduce City employee retirement compensation and replace it with 401K-type retirement when possible.

The County has approved a \$.5 sales tax increase for the November ballot. Still waiting for the name. Promise to keep you all informed.

From Sacramento:

SB 125 – A tax on healthcare providers which will cost consumers about \$425.yr. (passed)

AB 736 – Real Estate Transfer Tax of 1.5 to 3% (50% progression)

SB 1194 – State-funded legal services for undocumented immigrants (50% progression)

AB 1790 – Would tax corporations operating or doing business in California for earnings outside of California.

VOTER ID IS THE KEYSTONE TO GOOD LEGISLATION – VOTE YES ON PROP 39

Reform California produces a Plain English Voter Guide for each election. I suggest that you go to their website in October to study the candidates and propositions.

Legislative Shenanigans

Gut and Amend refers to a legislative process where the original content of a bill is completely gutted and replaced with new provisions. It's a sneaky way to avoid the usual scrutiny that new bills undergo. When Conservative Sonja Shaw won the State Primary for State Schools Superintendent, Sacramento responded by gutting and amending AB 181 into a bill that strips the position of State Schools Superintendent of critical powers.

Trailer Bills specify how money is to be spent. These bills can be used to sneak unpopular spending into the budget by being inserted at the last minute, so there's no time for public input. Trailer bills were used to add all income-eligible individuals, regardless of immigration status, to California's Medicaid program.

To get updates on Legislation:

[LEGISCAN](#) or [The CALA Report](#)



Boston Tea Party – In 1773 a group of colonists dressed as Indians boarded ships in Boston Harbor and threw hundreds of tea chests overboard to protest British taxation.

ACTIVISM

Jan Stewart | VP of Political Activities

Birthright Citizenship has been a hot topic recently as we attempt to secure our borders and our elections. Peter Schweitzer, author of four New York Times best sellers including his latest "The Invisible Coup", testified in court that China currently has over 1000 Birth Tourism companies, with the majority of their clients seeking US Citizenship. Guam, which is a US territory, has seen a flood of "birth tourists" since 2009 when then-president Barack Obama introduced a visa-waiver program for Chinese nationals. The government does not track this phenomenon, but conservative estimates range from 9,500 to 26,000 children born annually receive U.S. citizenship through this Chinese Communist Party plan. I refer to it as a CCP plan because the parents are typically high-ranking officials and military officers within the CCP establishment. By 2030, 1.5 million of these dual citizens will be old enough to vote. On June 30th, the Supreme Court denied President Trump's executive order to end the policy.

Regarding election influence, Politico reports that Planned Parenthood is directing more than \$47 million into the midterms to oppose Republican candidates who supported ending funding for abortion clinics. **So, do we want more Chinese dual citizens and fewer American-born babies?**

Locally we have consequential elections coming in November including the Poway Mayoral race. Steve Vaus is running for his 4th term. City Council member District 4, and current Deputy Mayor, Jenny Maeda, is running against him along with Dellena Olps. Mayor Vaus recently nixed a standalone AI data center from being built in Poway but the opposition is still coming after him. This could be interesting to watch.

As always, I encourage all of you to assist Reform California in preparing the Voter Guide mailers. Please stop by the office at 1320 W Valley Pkwy Escondido 92029 M-F 9-5pm. Call the Volunteer Hotline at (619)354-7257. They're already booking the BBQ Beer and Ballots events!

I came across a very worthy organization today, www.MoraleBoosters.us. This organization formed in 2015 to thank and support First Responders. They take healthy snacks, handwritten notes, light-pens, Peacemaker bibles, face masks, popcorn Machines, snow cone machines, etc. to local stations. I love this! When I hosted pizza events at apartment complexes for AT&T, I often took the extra food to the local firehouse on my way home. They were always so appreciative! Why not drop off some goodies at your local Sheriff, Police or Fire station next time you're going home from the grocery store?

STAY INFORMED:

8/6/2026 6:30pm RB Community Council on Zoom www.RBCommunityCouncil.com

8/4 and 8/18/2026 7pm Poway City Council 13325 Civic Center Dr Poway CA 92064 online at www.Poway.org, on Cox 24, Spectrum 19 or in person at 13325 Civic Center Dr Poway CA 92064

8/6/2026 6-9pm Poway Unified School District Board meeting 15250 Avenue of Science, SD 92128. Or online www.powayusd.com



WAYS TO STAY INFORMED

<https://reformcalifornia.org/volunteer>

RBRepublicanWomen.org

<https://reformcalifornia.org/campaigns>

www.sandiegorepublicans.org

www.sandiegorepublicans.org/official-events

[Election Integrity Project - CA](#)

<https://capoliticalreview.com>

www.sandiegoyoungrepublicans.org/

<https://thetransparencyfoundation.org>

RBCommunityCouncil.com

Poway.org/636/council-meetings

Senator Brian Jones

<https://sr40.senate.ca.gov/legislation>

PowayUSD.com

RBPlanningBoard.com

<https://www.kristiebrucelane.com/>

Supervisor Joel Anderson

<https://www.supervisorjoelanderson.com>

[Carl De Maio Ca Assembly District 75](#)

<https://savingcalifornia.vote/>

WAYS TO VOLUNTEER



- Make phone calls
 - Volunteer at events
 - Work on mailing projects
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Escondido CA 9202
1 619 354 7257

<https://reformcalifornia.org/volunteer>

AMERICA





Julie Carlson | Americanism Chair

The Founders' Approach to Raising Kids with Character

In a 1783 letter to her son John Quincy Adams, who had accompanied his father to Europe while he served as diplomat, Abigail Adams wrote: "What is it that affectionate parents require of their children for all their care, anxiety, and toil on their accounts? Only that they would be wise and virtuous, benevolent and kind."

Abigail Adams wasn't alone in her view that virtue was of paramount importance in an education. Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, George Washington, and others tied the teaching of character and integrity to schooling.

For approximately 150 years after the declaration appeared, American schools taught students virtue, mostly through early readers, literature, and history. Unfortunately, our public schools today have abandoned the intentional teaching of historic virtues.

From our American ancestors we might take some lessons about character building and how it promotes independence and maturity in young people.

❖ Allow Free Play

Today, many researchers have found that outdoor fun and free play, two elements of childhood in short supply in our culture, are vital for development. Citing numerous studies in his online article "*Free Play Shapes a Child's Brain*," Harvard Medical School's Jake Miller demonstrated that daily play unsupervised by adults develops cognitive skills and creativity in children. Louise Savole noted in an article that other benefits include improving a child's skills in independent thinking, getting along with others, and decision-making.

❖ Require Healthy Chores

From an early age, chores were a part of the routine for American households well into the 20th century. Every household has chores that need doing. Three-year-olds can pick up toys; 10-year-olds can help in the kitchen and do the laundry; teens can run errands, cook and help with the younger children.

❖ Seek and Teach Heroes

The past provides us with real heroes, figures from history who performed deeds worthy of imitation. All too often today the young find their heroes in sports figures, celebrities, online influencers, and superheroes. They need flesh-and-blood exemplars from our past, that sort of figure described by Theodore Roosevelt "who is actually in the arena – who spends himself in a worthy cause."

❖ Independence = Rights + Responsibilities

George Washington was 16 when he received his first official assignment as a surveyor, John Adams entered Harvard at age 15, Jefferson was not quite 17 when he first sat as a student at The College of William and Mary. Abigail Adams was 19 when she married. Although most young people today don't enter adulthood as fast, by age 18 they should be capable of standing on their own two feet, able to head off to college, the military, or the workplace. With the liberties won with that coming-of-age, they should also recognize that rights bring responsibilities.

With their education, these fledglings should also know what Jefferson meant when he once wrote, "Without virtue, happiness cannot be." And with their training in the virtues, they should know as well that independence, whether political or personal, only works when governed by that rudder of virtue: self-restraint.

In a separate letter to her adolescent son, Abigail Adams wrote, "Having once obtained this self-government, you will find a foundation laid for happiness to yourself and usefulness to mankind."

-Taken from an article by Jeff Minick in
The Epoch Times, July 8-14, 2026

Luncheon Program Highlights



Teri won this beautiful summertime watermelon basket

Thank you to all of the members who participated in the letter writing campaign at the July meeting!

Alan spoke passionately against birthright citizenship.



Charlotte and Paula pictured with Rebecca (in middle) giving gift cards and checks totaling \$1710 to Abraxas students in need. Thank you amazing RBR women



LINCOLN REAGAN DINNER



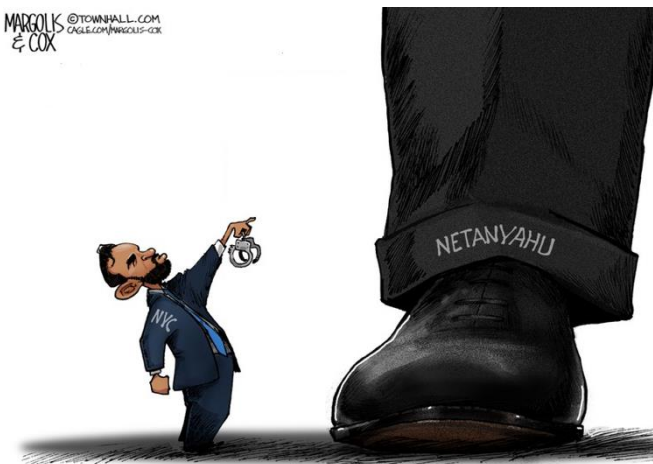
RB Republican Women know how to have a good time. Now let's work hard to get **Steve Hilton** elected governor of California

Just for fun!

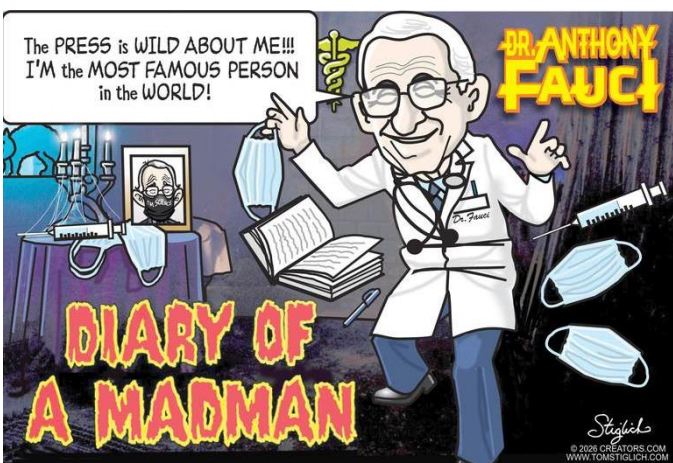
(taken from Townhall)



STEVE KELLEY • July 27, 2026



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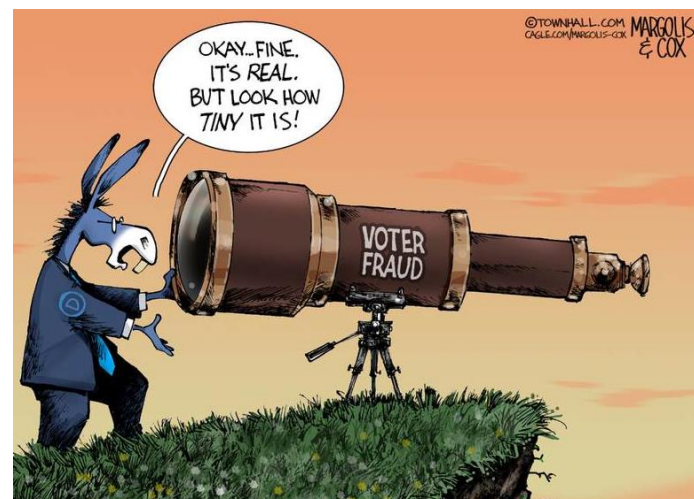
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