



# Newsletter of the Nevada Republican Men's Club



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Our May Meeting will be on Monday the 2nd at 11:30 a.m. at the Ellis Island Hotel and Casino  
Our Speaker will be Mark Edwards, KDWN Talk Radio Host

## VICTORY IN 2005 & 2006

Jerry McElroy

The 2006 race is already heating up. In an unprecedented attack on an unannounced candidate, democrats installed billboards attacking Congressman Jim Gibbons. Of course, democrats need to attack someone because they stand for nothing. Rather than do the people's business, democrats in the Nevada Legislature posture, squelch new ideas and seek to score campaign points. What we have in Carson City is what we will have as long as democrats control the assembly.

We all need to ensure we are doing our share to Support and Elect Republicans.

## NEW MEMBER PROGRAM REPORT

Al Valdez, Membership Chairman

It's a privilege to welcome 14 new members of Nevada the Republican Men's Club this month.

### New Member

Bill Borzick  
Heidi Harris  
Michael Kennicot  
Jack Majieski  
Bob Reddy  
Richard Rivera  
Jim Schmidt  
Robert Shawhan  
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Phil Stout  
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We sincerely appreciate these committed Republicans who have joined with us to become actively involved in helping elect Republican candidates.

The following members have sponsored one or more new members during this year.

### Sponsors

Al Valdez (3)	Don Carl (2)
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## FLORIDA WITH RAIN

More funny business in the Washington governor's race.

By John Fund

Wall Street Journal On Line, April 11, 2005

Washington State has supplanted Florida as the leading example of the need for election reform. The Evergreen State's voting system is so sloppy that you can't tell where incompetence ends and actual fraud might begin. Three Washington counties just discovered 110 uncounted absentee ballots—including 94 from Seattle's King County—in a governor's race that occurred more than five months ago and was decided by only 129 votes. Officials in Seattle's King County admit they may find yet more ballots before a court hearing next month on whether a new election should be called. Last Friday, they reported finding a 111th ballot.

During the two recounts, Mr. Logan's office discovered 566 "erroneously rejected" absentee ballots, plus another 150 uncounted ones that turned up in a warehouse. Evidence surfaced that dead people had "exercised their right to vote"; documentation was presented that 900 felons in King County alone had illegally voted and that military ballots were sent out too late to be counted. A total of 700 provisional ballots had been fed into voting machines before officials had determined their validity. In the four previous November elections, King County workers had never mishandled more than nine provisional ballots in a single election.

Read the full article at <http://tinyurl.com/4syjb>.

## TORMENTING EDUCRATS

By George Will

Jewish World Review, April 11 2005

Patrick Byrne, a 42-year-old bear of a man who bristles with ideas that have made him rich and restless, has an idea that can provide a new desktop computer for every student in America without costing taxpayers a new nickel. Or it could provide 300,000 new \$40,000-a-year teachers without any increase in taxes.

His idea — call it The 65 Percent Solution — is politically delicious because it unites parents, taxpayers and teachers while, he hopes, sowing dissension in the ranks of the teachers unions, which he considers the principal institutional impediment to improving primary and secondary education.

Read the full article at <http://tinyurl.com/42da2>.

## QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Government has an important role in helping develop a country's economic foundation. But the critical test is whether government is genuinely working to liberate individuals by creating incentives to work, save, invest, and succeed.

RONALD REAGAN - OCTOBER 30, 1981

<http://tinyurl.com/36ubp>

## IF YOU ARE GOING TO BE ANGRY

BE INFORMED

Paul Adams

The story of Terry Schiavo was indescribably sorrowful. Some are upset about Congress and the President getting involved, some characterize it as a religious issue. I see it as a matter of law.

Many seem to have forgotten that ancient civics lesson in which we learned that Congress establishes the federal courts and defines the court's jurisdiction. (US Constitution, Article III, Section 1). We disregard the regular federal review of state court decisions in a variety of matters, always to ensure that the state court provided due process and was not inflicting cruel and unusual punishment. How many times have we read of a federal court preventing the execution of a convicted murderer because the federal court found a deficiency in a state court proceeding?

Consider the case of Michael Ross, a Connecticut serial killer. Ross admits to killing 8 people in the 1980's and wants to **give up** his death row appeals. The courts intervened to investigate if he really knows what he wants. (<http://tinyurl.com/5jtjn>) If we, as a society will go to such great lengths to protect the life of an admitted and convicted serial killer, why do we cringe when the parents fight to protect the life of their injured daughter and seek to obtain treatment for her?

We consistently rail at the inaccuracy and bias of the media, and then we formulate our opinions based upon what we read in the newspapers. Often, a little research will uncover facts not generally reported. Visit <http://www.terrisfight.org/> and look at the link on the "Myths about Terri." The facts were not as clear as the press reported; the reason the parents wanted the court review was to determine if their daughter received due process in the original court case, whether her guardian husband was acting in her best interest and whether starving her to death was cruel and unusual for someone who was innocent of a crime. Laws provide such review for criminals and Congress only acted to provide such review for innocent, disabled citizens. I do not know what Terri wanted; I do wish the courts would have given her the same consideration routinely given to murderers.

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## HYPERBOLIC HARRY

An email sent by Senator Reid:

Today I stood in front of the Supreme Court and collected more than 1 million petitions from people all across America. Standing there, I heard your voices urging the Senate to reject any attempt to do away with the system of checks and balances our founding fathers created to protect the rights and voices of all Americans.

I want to say thank you for standing up and lending your voice to this debate.

Republicans want to go "nuclear" and turn the Senate into a rubber stamp for President Bush. They want to silence Senate Democrats -- the one remaining check on President Bush's power. If they can do away with debate in the Senate, they can get whatever they want -- right-wing Supreme Court Justices, Social Security privatization, and tax breaks for the wealthy that will plunge us deeper in debt.

But Senate Democrats are going to fight them every step of the way. And this fight will be different than any other fight in the history of the Senate -- because it will include you.

The Republicans are arrogant with power. If they don't like the rules, they break them. If they don't like someone standing in their way, they attack them. We have some Republicans in the Senate that are considering throwing out 200 years of Senate history in order to pack the courts with right wing judges. And we have a Republican Leader in the House of Representatives who attacks judges who don't agree with him and corrupts our government by running roughshod over the ethics committee.

It's a complete abuse of power by the Republicans and if they can get away with this on judges, they will get away with this on legislation like Social Security too. There is no distinction.

This is about more than a few unqualified judges, this is about protecting the rights of disabled Americans to work, the rights of minorities to vote, the rights of every American to have clean air, safe drinking water and be heard in Washington.

Thank you,  
Harry Reid

### So, what have you done to fight back and support our President??

#### PATRIOT ACT NO THREAT TO LIBRARIES

By Jeff Jacoby  
Jewish World Review, April 11, 2005

Section 215 has nothing to do with libraries. It doesn't mention the word "library." It simply authorizes the FBI to obtain "tangible things" — primarily business records or other documents — in the course of an antiterrorism investigation. The FBI can do so only with a judge's prior approval, and the law specifies not once but twice that no US citizen may be investigated "solely upon the basis of activities protected by the First Amendment."

See the full article at <http://tinyurl.com/5atd6>.

## TAXPAYER BILL OF RIGHTS NEVADA COULD USE TAXPAYER BILL OF RIGHTS

Nevada Appeal editorial board  
March 23, 2005

Now is the right time for Nevada to consider some form of the Taxpayers Bill of Rights, the kind of tax-limiting legislation in effect in Colorado since 1992 and proposed in two forms this week by Sen. Bob Beers.

Senate Joint Resolution 5, the one we favor, has as its basic elements:

1. A limit on spending by state or local governments of the previous year's expenses plus inflation and population gains.
2. Two-thirds majority vote of the Legislature or local governing bodies to raise taxes beyond that limit.
3. A vote of the people in the next general election to either ratify or reject a tax increase.
4. Refunds to taxpayers of any excess tax revenues collected.
5. A 3 percent rainy-day fund to help governments get through down times.

See the full article at <http://tinyurl.com/4ctb7>.

Read more at <http://www.nvtabor.com/>.

## VOTERS FAVOR WORK-PERMIT IMMIGRATION REFORM

By Mort Kondracke  
Real Clear Politics, April 11, 2005

Despite massive agitation for a restrictionist immigration policy, a new poll shows surprising support for proposals to allow foreigners and illegal immigrants to obtain work permits and earn their way to citizenship. The poll, by GOP pollster Ed Goetz and Democrat Celinda Lake, ought to encourage President Bush to push for immigration reform against concerted opposition from radio talk show hosts and some GOP conservatives who denounce his work-permit proposals as "amnesty for law-breakers." \* \* \*

The Bush approach, so far not spelled out in actual legislation, is to allow foreigners and illegals in the United States to obtain temporary work permits. At a press conference with Mexican President Vicente Fox on March 8, Bush went out of his way to say, "I oppose amnesty, placing undocumented workers on the automatic path to citizenship."

McCain and Kennedy are drafting legislation that McCain hopes the administration will back and that employer groups and labor unions will endorse, creating a powerful counterweight to the restrictionists. The bill will contain enhanced enforcement measures, including an electronic verification system for work permits, a limit on the number of worker permits that matches current flows of illegals, labor protections and provisions for workers to obtain green cards if they pay a fine likely to be more than \$1,500.

See the full article at <http://tinyurl.com/3tfnp>.

## Support & Elect Republicans

The Clark County GOP Grassroots consists of a county wide Precinct Organization and multiple issue coalitions modeled after those established by BC04. Help take control of the Nevada Legislature. Contact [Grassroots@ClarkGOP.org](mailto:Grassroots@ClarkGOP.org) to volunteer in the new CCRP grassroots organization.

### LINCOLN DAY DINNER - DETAILS

The Clark County Republican Party will hold its annual Lincoln Day Dinner on

**SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 2005**

**PLACE – THE VENETIAN**

**GUEST SPEAKER: KARL ROVE**

VIP reception: 5:30 - 7 p.m.  
No-host bar cocktail hour - 6 - 7p.m.  
Dinner will start at 7 p.m.  
Tickets for VIP reception and dinner:  
\$250.00 per person  
Tickets for dinner only: \$75.00

Make checks payable to CCRP and mail to **CCRP, 574 S. Decatur, Las Vegas NV 89107**

Contact the CCRP at 258-9184; email [Events@ClarkGOP.org](mailto:Events@ClarkGOP.org) or visit <http://www.clarkgop.org/lincoln.htm> to buy tickets on line or for further information

If you would like to donate an item for our live auction, please contact Ulli Miyashiro at 258-9184

### NEVADA LEGISLATURE WEB SITE

Visit <http://www.leg.state.nv.us/> to keep up to date on what is happening in Carson City. This is an excellent site, with links to let you meet and communicate with legislators **Assembly** or **Senate**, find **Information on pending bills**, sign up for **Personalized Bill Tracking**, **listen or view hearings**, and **provide your opinion on bills**.

### TAXPAYER BILL OF RIGHTS

Read the complete text of Senate Resolution 5 at <http://tinyurl.com/3zn9a>.

### BLUE STAR MOTHERS OF SOUTHERN NEVADA

Blue Star Mothers of Southern Nevada appreciates any and all assistance you can provide to us to support our troops.

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Year 2005 Meetings -- All dates are Monday -- Please Mark Your Calendars

Month	Regular Meeting	Executive Board	Month	Regular Meeting	Executive Board	Month	Regular Meeting	Executive Board
May 05	2	16	Jun 05	6	20	Jul 05	11	18
Aug 05	1	15	Sep 05	12	19	Oct 05	3	17
Nov 05	7	21	Dec 05	5	19			

The cost of the luncheon at the regular meeting of the Men's Club is \$15.00 each for Members and Guests.

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