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Our October Meeting will be on Monday the 3rd at 11:30 a.m. at the Ellis Island Hotel and Casino

Our Speaker will be Assemblywoman Sharron Angle

VICTORY IN 2006

Jerry McElroy

As we begin planning for next year, please let me know if you are interested in serving the NRMCM. The issues facing our state need Republican leadership. This includes property tax relief; illegal immigration; and a number of critical federal and state offices. That leadership needs your help to succeed.

NEW MEMBER PROGRAM REPORT

Al Valdez, Membership Chairman

It's a privilege to welcome 11 new members to the Nevada Republican Men's Club this month.

New Member

John R. Blackmon
Rich Bullock
Michael Carter
John Clark
David James
Devin Keays
Steve Lee
Bob Mersereau
Edward A. Miller
R. Mark Reasbeck
David Tully

Sponsored By

Lonnie Hammargren
Harry Allen
Self
Joe Brown
Andrew Baca
Pete Rinato
Al Valdez
Bob Beers
Rebecca McNair
David Hensey
Chris Comfort

We these new members and trust they will become actively involved in helping elect Republican candidates.

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

Sponsors

Al Valdez (12)	Chris Comfort (5)
Harry Allen (3)	Don Carll (3)
Lonnie Hammargren (3)	Bob Beers (2)
CCRP Grassroots (2)	Jeff Crisman (2)
Jim Frank (2)	Jerry McElroy (2)
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Jim Marsh	James H. McAvoy
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Monty Miller	Leon Persson
Basil Raffa	Fayyaz Raja
Norm Rothbart	Milton Schwartz
Bob Shawhan	Don Stubbs
John Waterhouse	Guy Williams

ANGLE PROPERTY TAX RESTRAINT INITIATIVE (NEVADA'S PROP 13) Highlights

Property taxes are limited to 1 percent of the base value of a property, plus the amount necessary to pay existing bonded indebtedness and any additional indebtedness approved by a two-thirds vote.

Base value initially equals the taxable value for tax year 2003-04.

Base value increases to full cash value if the property is: (1) transferred, unless the transfer is to an entity owned by the transferor, or to the transferor's spouse, child or grandchild; or (2) converted to another use.

Base value increases by the full cash value of improvements unless the improvements: (1) replace casualty losses; or (2) are made to improve access for the disabled or to protect safety.

Base value may annually increase by the rate of inflation or 2 percent, whichever is less. Base value must decrease each year by the rate of disinflation, if any, and must be decreased to reflect declines in value.

An owner can transfer the base value of his property to a new property when he moves if the owner is at least 62 years old or if his property is taken by eminent domain.

No new taxes on sales of property.

Read the full initiative at
<http://tinyurl.com/bxytd>

TAX TRUTH

One percent of the population earns 21% of all income and pay 37 ½% of all taxes

The top 5% earn 35% of all income and pay 56½% of all taxes

The top 10% earn 46% of all income and pay 67% of all taxes

The top 25% pay 84% of all taxes

The top 50% pay 96½% of all taxes

The bottom 50% pay 3½% of all taxes

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Of all tyrannies, a tyranny exercised for the good of its victims may be the most oppressive...those who torment us for our own good will torment us without end, for they do so with the approval of their own conscience.

C. S. Lewis

<http://tinyurl.com/86d38>

A VISION OF THE DEMOCRAT FUTURE

Paul Adams

The heartbreaking images from New Orleans provide significant and frightening insight into a democrat inspired future. The problems revealed in Louisiana and New Orleans are the direct result of long term exposure to democrat politics and policies.

To retain power, democrats require two critical constituencies; a permanent underclass of indigent entitlement addicts and a wealthy "more money than brains" class that lives the good life while mollifying their conscience by pretending to care about the poor. Unfortunately, the long term effect of the entitlement addiction is that those individuals become so dependent upon government largess that they are incapable of helping themselves. The result is the scene of people incapable of helping themselves in response to a disaster of biblical proportions.

The blatherings of the upperclass left began before the storm ended. RFK, Jr. blamed Katrina on President Bush and Governor Barbour's opposition to the Kyoto treaty. <http://tinyurl.com/8chj2> In Harlem, Congressman Rangel compared President Bush to Bull Connor, essentially contending that our President, and by inference all Republicans, were racists, indifferent to the suffering of the poor of New Orleans. <http://tinyurl.com/c2tjo>. John Kerry used the event to issue a broadside attack on the entire administration <http://tinyurl.com/dxld7>. (Reports of Kerry seeking a Silver Star for piloting a Swift Boat through New Orleans are not confirmed, despite the band aid on his pinky <http://tinyurl.com/7tzs4>.)

If horse manure were music, the left would be a discordant, abrasive symphony obscuring our President's attempts to orchestrate a solution to our nation's problems. These are not the times to abandon our President and our party, leaving our state and country in the hands of those that support the democrat big government policies that created and sustained the poverty of New Orleans.

Write letters to the editor, volunteer to help the party or a candidate; do something to spread those values that unite us as Republicans. The occasional off key note inside the Republican tent is far more tolerable than the democrat manure symphony. Make a difference.

SUPPORT AND ELECT REPUBLICANS



HOUSE DEMOCRATS LAUNCH 'CAMPAIGN FOR CHANGE'

Susan Jones
Senior Editor
CNSNews.com

September 19, 2005

NSNews.com Senior Editor September 19, 2005 (CNSNews.com) -- "The time for change is now," writes the chairman of a group that works to elect more Democrats to Congress.

The Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee announced on Friday that it is launching what it calls a Campaign for Change -- "to bring about a new vision and a new direction for our country."

The message said the campaign already has started with "hard-hitting" campaign ads and candidate recruitment.

It invites dissatisfied Americans to sign a pledge promising to fight for a better America, and to say "no more to the reckless Republican agenda."

The pledge reads in part, "I will do my part in this campaign by writing letters-to-the-editors, calling talk-radio shows, attending events, talking to my neighbors, and holding politicians accountable at voting booths on November 7, 2006."

DSCC Chairman Rep. Rahm Emanuel (D-Ill.) said, "The change our country needs can only happen with the 2006 elections." He also said he has promised House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi that he will recruit 50,000 Americans to join the Campaign for Change.

"The DCCC will provide you with opportunities for you to make a difference, give us your input and ideas, along with the resources to organize Democrats in your community," Emmanuel said.

"Together, we will develop the movement to restore balance and accountability to the government of the greatest democracy in the world. We need to build anationwide network of Americans as the foundation of our campaign."

Republicans continue to "dangerously mismanage" key issues, Emmanuel says. "Look at the condition of America today," he wrote -- "health premiums are up, gas prices are soaring, prescription costs are skyrocketing, the deficit is climbing, and the body count continues to grow in Iraq."

The message does not mention the Bush administration's handling of Hurricane Katrina, but it does mention that "the only thing the Republican agenda is doing is robbing people of their dignity and their hope for building a better life for their family."

Read the article at
<http://tinyurl.com/9px4g>

BUSH OFFERING A HAND UP, NOT HANDOUTS

By Michael Barone, RealClear Politics
September 19, 2005

It is now possible to see more accurately the dimensions of the damage wrought by Katrina on New Orleans. ...

It is possible also to get a better gauge of the mistakes made by the local, state and federal governments. ... But others erred, too.

As one New Orleans evacuee in the Houston Astrodome told an ABC News reporter after George W. Bush's speech in Jackson Square, "I feel like our city and our state government should have been there before the federal government was called in. They should have been on their jobs. ... I mean, they had RTA buses, Greyhound buses, school buses that was just sitting there going underwater when they could have been evacuating people."

In Jackson Square, Bush found his voice ... He promised to rebuild the Gulf Coast and re-engineer New Orleans, and added - - wisely, in view of Louisiana's heritage of corruption -- that inspectors general would oversee the spending.

But despite the Great Society tone of his speech, he did not promise another Great Society. ...

Bush's proposals use government differently. Like the GI Bill of Rights and the no-down-payment VA home mortgages of Franklin Roosevelt, Bush's Worker Recovery Accounts and Urban Homesteading would help people out, but only those who in turn do something to lift themselves up. And his Opportunity Zone turns on its head the liberal notion that the most effective way to help the poor and helpless is to tax everyone else heavily and hand out money to those in need.

As FDR offered veterans six decades ago, so Bush today is offering not handouts, but a hand up. The GIs then did much better than expected. Perhaps the Gulf Coast and New Orleans victims of Katrina will, too.

See the details at
<http://tinyurl.com/babbb>

**Read the details of the Presidents
Hurricane Relief Proposals at**
<http://tinyurl.com/b6tzm>

BLAME AMID THE TRAGEDY
Gov. Blanco and Mayor Nagin failed their constituents.

BY BOB WILLIAMS
WSJ Online, September 7, 2005 12:01 a.m.

As the devastation of Hurricane Katrina continues to shock and sadden the nation, the question on many lips is, Who is to blame for the inadequate response?

See articles on this subject at
<http://tinyurl.com/cwzpf>
<http://tinyurl.com/8s8ag>

IMMIGRATION REFORM

**Information on President Bush's
Immigration Reform proposals**

Fair and Secure Immigration Reform

On January 7, 2004 President Bush proposed a new temporary worker program to match willing foreign workers with willing U.S. employers when no Americans can be found to fill the jobs. The program would be open to new foreign workers, and to the undocumented men and women currently employed in the U.S. This new program would allow workers who currently hold jobs to come out of hiding and participate legally in America's economy while not encouraging further illegal behavior.

President Bush also asked Congress to work with him to achieve significant immigration reform that protects the homeland by controlling the borders; serves America's economy by matching a willing worker with a willing employer; promotes compassion for unprotected workers; provides incentives for temporary workers to return to their home countries and families; protects the rights of legal immigrants while not unfairly rewarding those who came here unlawfully or hope to do so. This legislation must also meet the Nation's economic needs and live up to the promise and values of America.

Background on Presidential Action

America is a welcoming nation, and the hard work and strength of our immigrants have made our Nation prosperous. Many immigrants and sons and daughters of immigrants have joined the military to help safeguard the liberty of America. Illegal immigration, however, creates an underclass of workers, afraid and vulnerable to exploitation. Current immigration law can also hinder companies from finding willing workers. The visas now available do not allow employers to fill jobs in many key sectors of our economy. Workers risk their lives in dangerous and illegal border crossings and are consigned to live their lives in the shadows. Without harming the economic security of Americans, reform of our Nation's immigration laws will create a system that is fairer, more consistent, and more compassionate.

See more information on the details of the President's approach to the immigration issue at

<http://tinyurl.com/93vxb>

RICO AND ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION

Canyon County, Idaho sues local businesses that hire illegal immigrants, using a federal law that was created to fight the Mafia.

Read the full article at
<http://tinyurl.com/9H92h>



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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
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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BIOGRAPHY DIRECTOR BILL SIMPSON

Bill was born in Colorado and grew up on a dry farm in Southern Idaho. In September, 1941, Bill began working for the Union Pacific Railroad as a locomotive fireman. He was transferred to Las Vegas in January 1943 and enlisted in the US Army in June 1943 at the Las Vegas Gunnery School, now Nellis Air Force Base. After basic training, Bill was assigned to the 720th Railroad Operating Battalion. Sgt. Simpson landed on Utah Beach on "D" Day + 17, being assigned to Railway Operations after the breakout at St. Lo, France. In December S/Sgt. Simpson was engineer on a freight train that ended up out of fuel and water near the Ardennes Forest during the Battle of the Bulge, so he participated in that battle with the infantry.

S/Sgt. Simpson was wounded by a bullet he still carries with him. He recovered and rejoined his unit, serving in Germany until the war ended. Bill stayed in the Army and, in April 1949, was commissioned a 2nd Lt. in the Corp of Engineers. After completing the Engineer School, he served as the Utilities Maintenance Officer at the Port of Whittier, Alaska.

When the Korean War started in June of 1950, Bill volunteered for flight training. He completed fixed wing and helicopter training, earning his rating as an Army Aviator. He was assigned to the 30th Base TOPO Battalion at the Presidio of San Francisco. For 5 months, Bill flew surveyors and supplies on the West part of Alaska from Kodiak Island to Kotzebue and Point Barrow. He volunteered for Korea and shipped to Japan in January 1953.

He picked up L-19 aircraft in Yokohama and flew to Korea and was assigned to 69th Field Artillery Battalion, 25th Division Aviation Section. Bill flew artillery and photo missions out of the Chorwon Valley on, with his last mission ending at 2300 hours on July 27, 1953, the day the armistice was signed. After that war, He was assigned to the 2nd Engineer Construction Battalion, completed Multi-Engine Training at Chofu, Japan, returned to Korea, not coming back to the US until April 1954. He also served 8 month short tour in Vietnam

Over the years he served at Ft. Ord, Ft. Hunter Leggit, Camp Roberts, Ft. Irwin, Ca. and Ft. Belvoir, Va., served an 8 month short tour in Vietnam and attended Command and General Staff College at Ft. Leavenworth, Ks. He was promoted to Captain in 1956, to Major in 1964, to Lt. Col in 1971. He retired from the US Army in June 1973 as a Lt. Col.

While stationed at Ft. Irwin, he had backed 2 Las Vegas friends in the electrical business so after retiring from the Army he worked full time in the electrical contracting business called Simpson Electric, Inc. from 1973 to 1993. Then he retired for good.

Anyone interested in assisting in preparation of the Newsletter should contact Paul Adams.

If you have ideas for newsletter content, or desire to receive the newsletter by email please contact Paul Adams.

If you have not already paid your dues for 2005, please do so as soon as possible.

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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 to volunteer in the new CCRP grassroots organization.

Visit the Club Web Site at <http://www.republicanmensclub.com>



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