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**Our March meeting will be on Monday the 6th at 11:30 a.m. at the Ellis Island Hotel and Casino
Our Speaker will be Dean Heller, Secretary of State and Candidate for Congress District Two**



VICTORY IN 2006

We all need to ensure we are doing our share to support and elect Republicans.

**Nevada Republican Men's Club
2006 New Member Incentive Program
January, 2006 Report
Paul Workman, Vice President**

It's a pleasure to welcome the following 10 persons who have joined our group this past month.

New Members Sponsored By

Maury Astley	Chris Comfort
{Representing over 800 dentists!}	
Ron Baca	Gene Empey
Bob Beers	St. Sen. Bob Beers
Max Gregorich	Al Valdez
Cherie Moreno	Cory Santos
Henry J. Pinto	Gene Empey
Dan Poirior	Todd Valle
Nathan Rosenberg	Bob Beers
Richard Runkle	Self
Ana Maria Toberman	Self

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New Members Sponsored By

Al Valdez - Five new members

The following have each sponsored two new members:

Gene Empey, John Hambrick, Mike Mazur, Basil Raffa

The following have each sponsored one new member:

Bob Beers, Mike Danon, Cory Santos, St. Sen. Bob Beers, St. Sen. Joe Heck, Richard Scotty, Chris Comfort, Rebecca McNair, Todd Valle, Paul Workman

We sincerely appreciate the efforts of the above-named 15 members who have contributed significantly to the strength of our RMC.

Twenty-nine new members have been added to our club roster to date in 2006!

We encourage each of our Club Members to invite a prospective member guest to our next meeting: 11:30 a.m., Monday, March 6, 2006. Food service begins at 11:15!

NEW MEMBER INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Our 2006 New Member incentive program includes recognition and awards as follows:

1. Printing names of new members and sponsors in the monthly newsletter.
2. Recognition of new members and sponsors at the monthly luncheon.
3. One elephant bookend for sponsoring 4 members.
4. New members, a second elephant bookend for sponsoring 8 new members.

Please participate and invite a prospective new member to our next luncheon.



Clark County Republican Party

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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

When people settle in a foreign country with little or no intention of abandoning their native culture, or, increasingly, no intention of abandoning their native language and native political allegiance, the correct word for the process isn't "reverse assimilation." And it isn't *immigration*. The correct word in the English language is "**colonization**." Because that's exactly what it is." - KC McAlpin, Executive Director, [ProEnglish](http://ProEnglish.com)

President's Message

Dear NRMC Members:

At our February 6th Members Luncheon, our speaker, Joe Brown, Republican National Committee member, underscored the many positive accomplishments of the Bush Administration since taking office January, 2001.

And, he reminds us that the vast majority of the national news media has largely ignored the achievements and has consistently focused on the negative and defeatist views of the Democratic Party leadership.

Anyone with common sense and objectivity recognizes that the positive job creation statistics and the lower unemployment rates are factual indicators of a strong national economy. Likewise, the tough security policies of the Bush administration, at home and abroad, are responsible for the fact that the U.S. has not been attacked since 9-11.

Furthermore, there has been significant progress in Iraq both politically and militarily – there is ample, clear evidence to back this up.

As committed Republicans, we need to point out to Nevada voters that the Democratic Party is soft and untrustworthy on National Security. And, that Democratic Party leaders are pessimists who are lacking coherent policies regarding the war on terror.

Let's each of us be an active Republican volunteer in an aggressive campaign to inform Nevada voters of the tremendous

growth and progress achieved during the past five years under a Republican administration and a Republican controlled Congress.

Alfred "Al" Valdez
NRMCM President

The Clark County Republican Party has organized a grassroots plan to provide a vehicle for everyone to get involved and influence the process. E-mail your Senate District Leader at SenateDistrictX@ClarkGOP.org, where X is your Senate District. There are multiple coalitions formed to cover a smorgasbord of issues. For information on the coalitions, send an email to Grassroots@ClarkGOP.org. You can keep up to date on developments by visiting the CCRP web site at <http://www.clarkgop.org/>. Don't just sit back and complain, get involved. Make a difference.

If you have not already paid your dues for 2006, please do so as soon as possible.

Contact Grassroots@ClarkGOP.org to volunteer in the CCRP grassroots organization.

The Clark County Republican Party Lincoln Day Dinner was a great success! Thank you to all of the CC Committee members who put on a fantastic show!

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](#).

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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21st Century Bounty Hunters

What incentives exist for public sector employees to eliminate wasteful spending of taxpayer dollars? Do government workers get rewarded if they

spend less than their annual budget, or are more productive in providing their services while saving the taxpayers' dollars?

Actually, the opposite occurs. Politicians and the public attack the inherent inefficiencies in large public organizations. Responding to these attacks, the bureaucracies create more internal accountability (that term sounds better than CYA) and spends more money to further insulate it from these kinds of attacks. The older the public sector agency, the more insulated and unaccountable and inefficient it becomes.

What if we turned this situation upside down and created incentives for these same public employees to save money, increase productivity and reduce staffing levels? Opposition to this approach range from "why should we give them money to do what we expect them to do in the first place?" to "their job is to perform a service and not to look at ways to cut corners and save money."

Here's how incentives can work to turn public sector employees into 21st Century bounty hunters. What if an agency could figure out a permanent way to save a million dollars a year while serving the same amount of people at the same level of service and efficiency? The old way would penalize the agency by reducing their funding in the next budget by that amount. The new way would, once ACTUAL savings occurred, offer let's say, 10 percent of those savings to that department in bonuses for that next budget cycle.

Those savings were hidden before the agency revealed it, and no outside auditor could discover such a large sum. What's wrong with providing the creative ones in the public sector with a "finders fee?" Think of the creative energies released when actual money awards exist for reducing spending.

Let's try another incentive, this time on a more personal level. What if a public sector employee discovers that his/her job is redundant or inefficient and by combining functions or privatizing that function, the government not only saves money for the service, but saves their salary as well? In the old way, it's obvious that this would never happen. A person who volunteers this kind of information in the public sector would be sent immediately for mental evaluation.

But under an incentive program, the public sector employee would be given their salary for a period of six months to a year. They would receive priority in hiring in another department in their government, and could then decide whether to remain in government service or pursue a career in

the private sector. Of course, their position would have to be permanently eliminated and outside auditors would have to verify that this would not result in declining service or efficiency.

Sheriffs and marshals in the old West could not catch all the criminals by themselves and had to offer rewards so that professional bounty hunters could bring them in. We alone cannot capture all the tax revenues lost through waste and inefficiencies in government agencies in this modern age. We need 21st Century bounty hunters to find it for us, offering the monetary rewards that encourage their enthusiasm to increase productivity and decrease spending.

Submitted by Martin Janowski



Biography for Rebecca McNair, Treasurer

Rebecca entered the workforce at age 11 in a small Central Texas town with a population of approximately 2700. She began her 25 year career in Graphic Designs at age 18 and was the founder of "Custom Lettering and Signs". Always the entrepreneur, Rebecca's diverse background includes farming & ranching over 950 acres and an interest in an agricultural partnership operating in Hamilton, Turnersville & Crawford, Texas. It was in this area where Rebecca and her dad co-founded The Hamilton Antique Tractor & Farm Machinery Club, devoted to the restoration and insight of future generations to a way of life which was an important part of America's development. Rebecca also had a passion for her service on the Board of Education Ministries for St. John Lutheran Church.

In 2002, Rebecca moved to Las Vegas, Nevada. After many years of building and running her own successful businesses in Texas, she officially entered the Financial Services Industry, to share with others her ways to success. As a Financial Representative with [Wealth Strategies Group](#), Rebecca works with business owners and individuals to help create sound financial solutions for success. Rebecca holds licenses in California and Texas as well as Nevada. In her free time, Rebecca enjoys most outdoor sports including extreme off road jeeping and classic autos.

Rebecca's family consists of her son Lee who is stationed at Luke AFB, AZ and works as a F-16 Crew Chief.

Rebecca also remains active with memberships in The National Association of Small Businesses, National Association of Women Business Owners, Southern Nevada Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors, Faith Community Lutheran Church, Moms in Business, Active Republican Women and The Nevada Republican Men's Club.

As an active member of the community with experience in Texas Local & State Republican campaigns, Rebecca is enthusiastically looking forward to her role as Treasurer for the next 12 months.

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If you are a candidate or know of one who has been left off of this list: Please e-mail Dr. Chris Comfort as soon as possible. Thank you!

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I am a Republican because Republican Principles

I'm a Republican because...

I BELIEVE the strength of our nation lies with the individual and that each person's dignity, freedom, ability and responsibility must be honored.

I BELIEVE in equal rights, equal justice and equal opportunity for all, regardless of race, creed, sex, age or disability.

I BELIEVE free enterprise and encouraging individual initiative have brought this nation opportunity, economic growth and prosperity.

I BELIEVE government must practice fiscal responsibility and allow individuals to keep more of the money they earn.

I BELIEVE the proper role of government is to provide for the people only those critical functions that cannot be performed by individuals or private organizations, and that the best government is that which governs least.

I BELIEVE the most effective, responsible and responsive government is government closest to the people.

I BELIEVE Americans must retain the principles that have made us strong while developing new and innovative ideas to meet the challenges of changing times.

I BELIEVE Americans value and should preserve our national strength and pride while working to extend peace, freedom and human rights throughout the world.

FINALLY, I believe the Republican Party is the best vehicle for translating these ideals into positive and successful principles of government.

Mark your Calendars for the Clark County Republican Party Biennial Convention on Saturday, March 18th at the Palace Station Hotel and Casino. Registration @ 7:00 to 8:00 am. Pre-registration is \$50.00, after 3/14 will be considered late registration.

The fee will be \$60.00. Make checks payable to CCRP, 574 S. Decatur Boulevard, 89107.

The best way to get involved and stay involved is to find a coalition for which you may contribute ideas and to share information that is vital to Republicans winning this state. It is a GRASSROOTS effort!

County and State Problems requiring political problem solving and leadership!

This article will attempt to outline several of the issues each month that affect our county, state and of course, country.

Your opinions regarding county issues are welcome. Unfortunately, this newsletter will be unable to publish everyone's thoughts.

The purpose of this column is to let our candidates know of our concerns.

Our preliminary outline includes the following:

- Sustainable Educational Systems
- Child welfare in general
- Health Care
- Merit less suits
- Property Taxes
- Increasing Business Taxes
- Attracting Business Investment
- TASC
- TABOR
- Colonization
- Border Security
- Crime
- Size of government
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Submitted by Chris Comfort

Analysts: Health Care Costs to Keep Rising
By KEVIN FREKING
Associated Press Writer

February 22, 2006, 3:21 PM EST

WASHINGTON -- Within a decade, an aging America will spend one of every five dollars on health care, according to government analysts who see no end to increases in the cost of going to the doctor

and taking medicine.

The nation's total health care bill by 2015: more than \$4 trillion. Consumers will foot about half the bill, the government the rest.

Hospital costs will rise more quickly than previously anticipated, reflecting a construction boom for urban hospitals. Meanwhile, drug costs are expected to be lower because of a greater reliance on generics, and because insurers administering the new Medicare drug benefit were able to negotiate steeper discounts than previously anticipated.

The projections, published in the journal Health Affairs, come as President Bush urges Americans to confront the rising cost of health care. In his State of the Union address last month, the president pushed health savings accounts, or HSAs, and the high-deductible insurance plans that go with them.

The administration predicts that Americans would become more thrifty consumers if they had to pay more of the upfront costs, which occurs with health savings accounts.

"We don't expect HSAs to proliferate so dramatically that we would have an impact similar to that of the managed care era of the '90s," said John Poisal, deputy director of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' National Health Statistics Group. Then, health care flattened out at 13 percent of gross domestic product.

Overall, the analysts forecast a 7.2 percent annual increase in health care costs over the coming decade. That's in line with the 7.4 percent increase in 2005.

Still, the overall economy is projected to grow at a rate of only 5.1 percent over the coming decade, which means health care will play an ever-growing role.

"These changes could force payers and providers to re-examine fundamental questions regarding the delivery and financing of health care services," the analysts said.

Another trend within the new government projections is an ever-growing reliance on the government to foot the bill for health care. By the end of the next decade, the government will pay for about half of the nation's medical costs.

Overall, the most important factor in health care spending is income, the analysts said. As Americans make more money, they spend more to get healthy. People making \$90,000 are more likely to visit a doctor and get their prescriptions filled than those who make \$50,000, Poisal said.

Investment in research, equipment and people also drives the growth in health care spending, he said.

"It's consumption and investment," Poisal said. "But primarily it's about consumption."

Medicare spending will more than double, from \$309 billion in 2004 to \$792 billion, in 2015. Medicaid spending will grow from \$293 billion to \$670 billion during the same time span.

The country's aging population is expected to drive increases in two key areas of health care spending: nursing homes and home health.

Spending on nursing homes will grow from \$121.7 billion in 2005 to \$216.8 billion in 2015. Home health will grow from about \$49 billion last year to \$103.7 billion in 2015. It represents the nation's fastest-growing sector in health care.

Analysts expect annual health cost increases in the next decade to range from 6.8 percent in 2015 to 7.7 percent in 2008.



And now some humor!



Adapted from cfif.org

Year 2006 Meetings -- All dates are Monday -- Please Mark Your Calendars

Month	Regular Meeting	Executive Board	Month	Regular Meeting	Executive Board	Month	Regular Meeting	Executive Board
Jan 06	16	23	Apr 06	3	17	Jul 06	3	17
Feb 06	6	13	May 06	1	15	Aug 06	7	21
Mar 06	6	20	June 07	5	19	Sep 06	11	18

The cost of the luncheon at the regular meeting of the Men's Club is \$15.00 each for Members and Guests. Membership is \$10.00 for the year.

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Guiding Principles

By Chris Comfort, Corresponding Secretary

Please remember while volunteering and assisting the NRP and CC with their goal of electing Republicans, that the garbage and ill-will we dig up today will be the democrat's cannon fodder of tomorrow. Let us focus upon the issues that affect our great state. Discover the truth, which is what matters. Our goal for the primary is to identify issues and get out the vote. August 15th is admittedly a difficult date for anyone of sound mind and body to vote; it's hot, middle of summer, and vacation time.

As Republicans, we will take those issues to the ballot box in August and identify our top candidates to fulfill our mission. Our mission speaks of limited government, fiscal responsibility, meritorious advancement, and the avoidance of new taxes. Please visit the [NRP website](#) for our current platform.

Our six constitutional offices are open; please volunteer your time and efforts with the Clark County Grassroots Republicans.

For some comedic relief: please visit [Reid's Retchings](#) or [Reid World](#). Now, this stuff is what I call great politics in the style of the late Lee Atwater.

For a comprehensive web page regarding Clark County, please visit the [Clark GOP](#) website. It is very informative and current.

Anyone interested in assisting in preparation of the Newsletter should contact Dr. Chris Comfort.

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If you have ideas for newsletter content, or desire to receive the newsletter by email –

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