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- Who is the voice of Clark County?
- Please handout voter registration forms!
- Book: The Allure of Toxic Leaders by Jean Blumen

**LEADERSHIP: FROM THE EDITOR, DR. CHRIS COMFORT**

While driving home from work, I had a chance to ponder the American political spectrum in between car stops, and the din of traffic. I, like many Americans, believe in our country and its overall inherent goodness. Yet, as I coursed through the myriad of congestion, my thoughts turned to the other Americans around me. I asked myself the question: What do these people believe in, why are so many of us burdened by rage, ineffectiveness, and disappointment? Why has our culture and society turned into one of complaint? I looked for parallels in my life to explain and to guide my thinking so that I could come up with some solutions. As a dentist, I ask, I understand, I document and provide best solutions for my patients' chief complaints. The media portrays nothing truly positive from day to day: why is it that we would rather see and sometimes relish in adversity

than face it, overcome it proactively, slap the high fives, and move on? Individuals as one! I believe that the answer lies in leadership. The effective use of leadership skill sets are not given to any one of us. We must and we are incumbent to recognize that it is an acquired talent. Position alone does not create good leaders rather it obliges the titled gentry to study it, digest it, and use it wisely. Leaders must know the past, know the lessons, and use information and their position with responsibility, accountability, and with accord.

A fractured society in a time of war, a war with two fronts for that matter, requires bold, battle tested, and forthright leaders. The solution that came to mind is that while President Bush is fighting one

of the toughest fights that any sitting President has ever been through, we should follow. We must be good followers; debate we must, but derision and sub-grouping kills democracy. Our governors need to step up and support the better domestic agenda; taking care of the backyard so to speak. Who should be our next governor in this time of war, of invasion: who can take care of America's backyard while President Bush handles the atrocities of evil in this world? One name comes to mind: one who has survived the rigors of our country's finest academies, one who has served with honor, the one who is our candidate for Governor: Jim Gibbons.

This month's speaker is :  
**Lynette Boggs McDonald** - Republican Candidate for Clark County Commissioner - Dist. F

**President's Message by Al Valdez**

**ENSIGN – PORTER – GIBBONS** the outstanding top tier of our 2006 Republican Ticket! Each one is exceptionally well-qualified, experienced, and a veteran campaigner – who will win in November. On the other side are the “Desperate Dems” who will mount rough, tough campaigns which will be largely funded by money from outside Nevada. In each of these races, the voters will have a clear choice – Elect Republicans; limited government, lower taxes, expanding economic opportunity and growth Elect Democrats and we will be in trouble! We know that the Desperate Dems will require bigger government, higher taxes, increased “social services”, and business regulation.

Everyone knows that our Republican candidates can't do it by themselves. They need our help especially at the “grassroots” level where the votes are counted one by one. Just as the voters have a choice, each of us NRMC members have a choice! During the next 80 days, will you commit the time and effort that you can make available to achieve a better future for Nevada and our nation by electing Republicans on Tuesday, November 7, 2006? Please be assured that I'm well aware that many of you have been actively involved in supporting Republican candidates during the days leading up to the Primary election. Thank you. Now that the voters have selected the candidates for the General Election, we're earnestly requesting a renewed and stronger focus on electing the entire slate of Republican candidates. Our candidates are counting on each of us to help make it happen!

**MARTANO ON COLONIZATION**

**Fulfill Campaign Promises**

The illegal alien invasion along the southern borders of the United States has captured the attention of candidates for a variety of local and national offices. There is a glaring opportunity to monitor the activities of those elected in the following months and years.

The fact is that a large

number of states, cities and municipal levels of local government are attempting to do that which the Federal government seems to be unable or unwilling to handle—essentially enforcing our existing laws relative to illegal activity on our United States borders.

The state of Colorado passed HB1023 considered a tough anti-illegal immigration law. It will

require individuals to prove that they are in the country legally in order to obtain benefits ranging from obtaining business licenses, unemployment insurance, in-state college tuition and the usual government financial aid. The requirement for proving legal residence and accessing the various programs is extensive.

The city of Hazelton, Pa. passed a variety of laws,

A man who thinks of himself as belonging to a particular national group in America has not yet become an American. -

*Woodrow Wilson*

namely \$1,000 fine for landlords who provide housing for each illegal, denying business permits for employers who hire illegally and requiring city documents to be in English only.

Palm Bay, Florida is striving to enact legislation to punish employers who hire illegally.

Lawsuits are proceeding against agriculture companies who hire illegally in Idaho.

There are currently 27 states that have passed stringent laws affecting education, employment, and an array of public services sought by illegal aliens.

States and localities are

abandoning the earlier argument that anything relating to immigration is a federal matter—States have a range of rights to regulate identification, in-state college tuition, state employment laws etc. They will not be deterred by the number of ACLU law suits that are certain to emerge. One wonders if the ACLU will {=> 3}

Musings by John Hambrick, CCRP Chairman

When Chris Comfort asked me to write an article for the newsletter I was somewhat hesitant. He wanted me to write an article that would stand out for generations to come.

What magic words could I come up with that you have not already heard or read? What arguments could I use to convince you to get involved or give damn about the upcoming elections? Most but not all of you have been somewhat involved with politics for many years. And that is where the rub is. Being somewhat involved is like drinking warm water. It just doesn't do the job.

Being part of any group requires that you commit to being more than window dressing, more than sitting in the cheap seats and complaining about the work and efforts of others. You must earn the right to judge. And that right does not come easily or cheaply.

It requires that you get involved, really involved with a candidate or the county party. Volunteer to come the office(s) and answer phones, help with mailings, walk for the candidate(s), and contribute financially.

We will win in November not because of your financial support alone, not because of the time you spent on walking the precincts alone, nor because you picked up the phone and give assistance to a new voter. We will win in November because of all the above.

You and you alone must decide if you want a Republican victory in November. Please give the county party a call at 702-258-9184 or call me directly at 702-499-6169. We have coalitions that should suit any specific need or situation.

And finally a request for help, the County Party needs furniture and office equipment. We need good used desks (7 each), 5 or 6 up to date computers, and various pieces of in good condition office equipment.

We have doubled our office space. The CCRP headquarters is currently undergoing a massive "rehab". I urge you to call ahead of time and stop by our new digs at 574 & 576 South Decatur. If you come by, be sure to bring a broom, or vacuum, or light fixtures. ---Just kidding.



Immigration can become a form of conquest. - *'Immigration destroying America', The Aspen Times, January 30, 2001*

{=>2} also sue the officials who chose not to enforce our existing laws...

It will be interesting to observe how the newly elected individuals of these local and federal offices pursue this nation wide effort to stop the illegal alien invasion of the United States of America.

~Thank you Frank

~Leadership Qualities~

"When you join your organization you will find there a willing body of men who ask from you nothing more than the qualities that will command their respect, their loyalty, and their obedience. They are perfectly ready and eager to follow you so long as you can convince them

that you have those qualities. When the time comes that they are satisfied you do not possess them you might as well kiss yourself goodbye. Your usefulness to that organization is at an end."

Major C.A.Bach

~~Thus, the leader must study always.

**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](#).

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**Why We Follow Destructive Bosses and Corrupt Politicians**

“Leaders who are destructive to their organizations, their countries, and their constituents make headlines regularly, but still these toxic leaders continue to pop up in the boardroom and the courtroom. In [The Allure of Toxic Leaders](#), leadership expert Jean Blumen explores how our own psychological needs, such as the desire to play a more crucial role in an organization and the need to expand our insider status, can often drive us closer to toxic leaders. She also describes how those who are suffering under toxic leaders can best confront, reform, undermine, expose and even unseat these leaders by speaking out on their own behalf and creating “a conspiracy of goodness,” in which “an individual’s conscious must be one’s true

guide.” The book speaks of organizational tyrants and their inability to perceive their role. The servant leader model recognizes that leaders are ranked by their followers. Toxic leaders are distracted by their efforts to control instead of pursuing growth. Thus gaps will appear in the organization which allows informal leaders to step up to the plate and, according to the author, give full vent together own creativity an leadership potential.

The book examines the notion as to ‘How not to lead.’ The examples of aberrant leadership skill sets will enlighten the observer . Reviewed by C. Lauer



This month's meeting is the first Monday in September available to us: **September 11th**



**NRMC IDEAS**

Clark County is Republican territory, Nevada is Republican territory... write into my office with your exercise in cerebral, gray matter exaltation, and give us some quotes! You write it and we will consider it during our next board meeting. Thank you: Please direct all suggestions to your corresponding secretary. Tell us what you like about our candidates. Please keep your one liners to one sentence. No offensive, denigrating, untrue, or otherwise, in poor taste quotes will be published. We will not allow quotes from convicted felons, unethical business men, questionable characters, or fricking idiots. That is why this is a Republican Newsletter! LOL

**The Pew Forum:** [http://pewforum.org/docs/index.php?DocID=153&utm\\_source=yahoo&utm\\_medium=ppc&utm\\_term=politics](http://pewforum.org/docs/index.php?DocID=153&utm_source=yahoo&utm_medium=ppc&utm_term=politics)

The relationship between religion and politics is a controversial one. While the public remains more supportive of religion's role in public life than in the 1960s, Americans are uneasy with the approaches offered by both liberals and conservatives. Fully 69% of Americans say that liberals have gone too far in keeping religion out of schools and government. But the proportion who express reservations about attempts by Christian conservatives to impose their religious values has edged up in the past year, with about half the public (49%) now expressing wariness about this. Read more, please note the URL above. *A fascinating report!*



We had 150 members last luncheon, time for the press to show up! Watch out you pundits and prognosticators, we know what is best!

Your opinions regarding county issues are welcome. Unfortunately, this newsletter will be unable to publish everyone's thoughts. We sincerely hope that you enjoy the new format and find it an easy read. We encourage you to write in for our election year tell-all-that's-worth telling format. Enjoy your club and please refer your friends and colleagues. Come prepared with good questions for our candidates and our e-board team!

**New Member Report; Paul Workman, Vice President, Membership Chair & Banker**

It's a pleasure to recognize the following NRMC members who have sponsored one or more new members during the first seven months of our incentive program. Thank you and congratulations upon your great thinking and networking ability. The names and numbers are:

20 new members – Al Valdez; 12 new members – Paul Workman; 9 new members – Dr. Chris Comfort; 5 Five new members - Cory Santos; 4 new members – Mike Mazur, Rebecca McNair; 3 Three new members – Gene Empey, John Hambrick, St. Sen. Joe Heck; 2 Two new members – Kathy Augustine, St. Sen. Bob Beers, Sandy Frank, Jim Gerbe, David Gibbs, Kurt Hanson, John Hathcock, Basil Raffa, Javier Sanchez.

The following have each sponsored one new member: Harry Allen, Jim Frank, Richard Scotty, Tim Andring, Monica Fuller, Danny Tarkanian, Bob Beers, Edwin Helfman, Amelia Tomashek, Mary Bolinger, Mark Larson, Toni Valdez, Joe Brown, Ray McKay, Todd Valle, George Chehade, Matt Passalacqua, Mike Danon, Norm Rothbart, Mason Workman, Sean Fellows, Steve Sanson, Doris Wortman

!

We sincerely appreciate the efforts of the above named 42 members who have contributed significantly to the strength of our NRMC. Believe it or not, we have added **114 new members** to our club roster in this year!

15 new members joined this past month. Thank you to the members who have sponsored these individuals. Because of them, we are closer to winning Nevada and electing great candidates

<u>New Members</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
Gilbert A. Baca	John Hathcock
Christopher Eissler	Harry Allen
Katie Fellows	Sean Fellows
Doug Gillespie	Paul Workman
Conrad Hafen	Paul Workman
Richard E. Hawkins	Chris Comfort
Grant Hewitt	Al Valdez
Michele Hines	Rebecca McNair
Gerry Holinski	Danny Tarkanian
Bobby Milk	Mason Workan
Kris Munn	Al Valdez
Antoine (Tony) Nader	George Chehade
Joe Pitts	Al Valdez
Edward J. Smith	Mike Mazur
William Waldrop	Mike Mazur

Our roster continues to grow with your referrals. Thank you ~~ The Board of the NRMC.



We are on the web!

<http://www.republicanmensclub.com>



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### OPERATIONAL INFORMATION

Reminder: Our 2006 New Member Incentive Program includes recognition and awards as follows:

1. Our newsletter will e-print the names of the members who join plus the names of the sponsoring members.
2. The above-noted names will receive recognition during the monthly meeting.
3. Recruitment awards: Four members ==> an elephant bookend, eight ==> another one!

We encourage each of club members to invite a prospective member or guest to our next meeting. It begins at 11:15 in the Ellis Island Casino. Officers

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Membership is an affordable \$10 per year. Our monthly lunches cost \$20. Great value, great food, great speakers, great friends, and of course, a great political party. We are proud to be Nevada Republicans !

### The Pew Forum

#### Religion and Politics

##### Have Liberals Gone Too Far...

In trying to keep religion out of schools & government?	2005 %	2006 %
Yes	67	69
No	28	26
Don't know	5	5
	100	100

##### Have Conservative Christians Gone Too Far...

In trying to impose their religious values on the country?	2005 %	2006 %
Yes	45	49
No	45	43
Don't know	10	8
	100	100

##### Parties' Attitudes Toward Religion

The Republican Party is...	2005 %	2006 %
Friendly	55	47
Neutral	23	28
Unfriendly	9	13
Don't know	13	12
	100	100

The Democratic Party is...	2005 %	2006 %
Friendly	29	26
Neutral	38	42
Unfriendly	20	20
Don't know	13	12
	100	100

President Bush said Monday the economy is growing steadily and jobs are plentiful, but America must work harder to break its dependency on foreign oil.