

Saturday, December 4th, 2010

**Judge Marlene Kristovitch
Installation of 2011 Executive Board**

THE SMOKE HOUSE

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Luncheon at 1:00 pm

Luncheon and Speaker \$25.00

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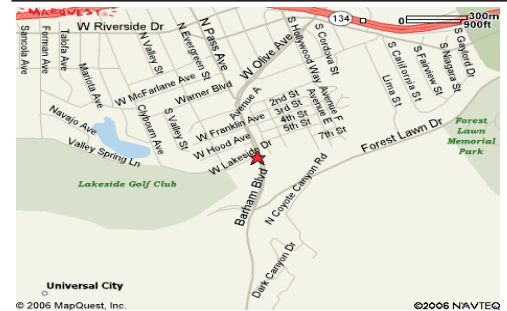
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for 2010 & 2011**

December 4th

Luncheon
Installation of Officers for
2011
by Judge Marlene Kristovitch

January 8th Luncheon
Membership meeting to plan
SCRW&M agenda for 2011

February 12th, Luncheon
Speaker TBA



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Judge Marlene Kristovich will swear in the 2011 Board and speak to the membership.

Baldo Kristovich has been a member of SCRW&M for many years. His daughter Judge Marlene Kristovich is most frequently seen at the December meetings when she swears in the elected Board for the coming year.

Judge Kristovich currently serves as an elected judge on the Los Angeles Superior Court, Department 80. She has been a trial attorney for United States Department of Justice and a litigation attorney for the U S Treasury Dept.

In 1996 she represented the United States Department of State in Armenia and Uzbekistan helping them set up their Courts under their new Constitutions and evaluate human rights violations.

Judge Kristovich earned her Bachelor of Science degree (in Accounting) at the University of Southern California and gained her Juris Doctorate at Loyola Law School of Los Angeles.

We are pleased and honored to have Judge Kristovich perform the swearing in of the 2009 Southern California Republican Women and Men Board.

Southern California Republican Women and Men **Mission Statement.**

1. To work to preserve and maintain the Constitution of the United States of America.
2. To promote a wider knowledge of the principles of our government.
3. To promote a greater appreciation of our American heritage.
4. To support and promote the Republican Party.
5. To cooperate with other Republican organizations and groups in the election of Republican candidates provided the organizations and candidates have the same fundamental objectives as SCRW&M.
6. To encourage active participation in political affairs on the local, state, and national levels.
7. To educate members and the public on the value of different points of view on issues; and,
8. To educate members and the community about the Republican Party and to assist with finding and promoting potential Republican candidates.

From the President's Desk---

As 2010 draws to a close, it's interesting to look back on what we've accomplished and what we failed to accomplish. And to look forward to 2011 and set our goals for the coming year.

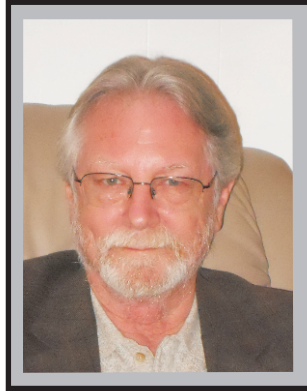
Looking back, I think most fondly of the fun we've had in The Forum. Michael's format of asking questions that require thoughtful answers, provokes strong opinions as well as occasional flashes of humor, but most important, often provides information we had not been aware of before.

The Southern California Republican Women and Men Club is, as far as I know, the only Republican Club that offers its members the opportunity to express themselves so openly, free of fear of embarrassment or contention. When we disagree we do so civilly, without name calling, or disrespect. Don't know if we ever change anyone's mind, but we certainly do look at our subjects from many points of view.

We've had a number of very interesting speakers, – candidates, authors, and political activists. We've learned a lot about the Islamist movement and the Quran. We've looked at City Hall, the Entertainment Industry, and the Tea Party Movement. Its been an informative and entertaining year.

Looking forward, we have plenty to do. After our disappointments from the California State elections, we have to pick ourselves up, dust ourselves off and get back to the task of getting Republicans elected to office. From what I've been hearing on the radio, plus what I've been reading in the Blogs, our main problem is the Republican "Brand" is in disrepute. The Governorship of Ahnolt, plus the news media full court press on the Republicans in the State Legislature as being the ones responsible for the budget gridlock has hurt the image of Republicans in the big coastal cities. I'm not sure what, we as SCRW&M members, can do about this, if anything, but we do need to pay attention to it.

Last year we began the new year with a membership meeting designed to explore our reasons for existing. This coming January I plan to do the same thing. Let's take a look at what we can do in the coming year, and see if we can come up with a plan to get it done. It's good to exhort each other to get out there and find and support candidates for local office, but we need more that exhortation, we need a specific targeted goal, and a plan to gain it, and specific tasks for specific individuals to perform. Tom Hanson has written a number of suggestions for increasing membership. These will be discussed by the new board and acted upon when approved. Please be thinking about what we SCRW&M members should and can do to, if not win elections, at least decrease the percentage by which we loose. We're not going to be able to climb out of this hole until we stop or at least slow down the rate at which we are falling.

*Eldon Quick***Executive Board**

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Deadline for January 8th Newsletter

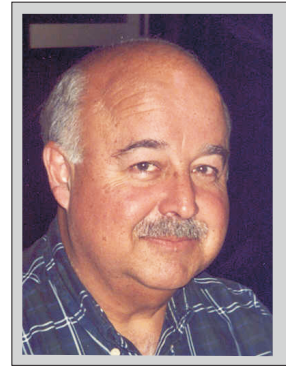
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Bill's Bills

California as the Titanic – Full Speed Ahead!

Twas a serendipity that deadline for this column was also the day that Steve Cooley conceded the race for Attorney General to Democrat Kamala Harris.

Point, game, set and match to the Democrats. They now control every statewide office and large majorities in both legislative houses. They are fully in command of the Titanic, and there are absolutely no Republicans in positions of authority to steer the ship of state, while the Democrats have us going full speed ahead directly into the fiscal iceberg.



William Saracino

California is an economic basket case. The current budget deficit is about \$25 billion – an enormous amount in a total budget of \$90 billion or so. There is no relief in sight. Unless Jerry Brown summons the political courage to confront the public employee unions (which I can see happening), or the unions themselves decide to do what is right for the state (which I can see happening when pigs fly), California is going to be ungovernable.

So be it. It was Franklin or John Adams who said the American people get the kind of government they deserve. The people of California have very hard times coming – and they will deserve it.

But do not despair – the pendulum always swings, sometimes sooner, sometimes later. Remember we are only 7 years removed from the recall election where the two Republican candidates received 62% of the vote. Remember also that Governor Schwarzenegger campaigned as a conservative devotee of Ronald Reagan and Milton Friedman, so the vast majority of his votes came from voters choosing a conservative alternative, as did all of those cast for Tom McClintock.

Remember also that the 1993 recall was only 5 years removed from another Democrat nearly clean sweep – the 1998 election when Grey Davis defeated Dan Lungren. Democrats had effective total control of the levers of power back then also – and they did as Democrats always do when they find themselves in such a position – they over reach and repel the voters. It was political sage P.J. O'Rourke who said that giving liberals political power is the equivalent of giving whiskey and car keys to teen-age boys. The result is always ugly.

The results of the situation in Sacramento is also going to be ugly. In the meantime, we as Republicans need to gird our loins, roll up our sleeves and all the other clichés about getting to work...and DO it. We can start the long climb back by replenishing the GOP farm team in this spring's local elections. We can make it our task to find 5 – just 5 – new Republicans in our neighborhood and register them. The old Chinese proverb says that the journey of 1,000 miles begins with one step. Let us resolve to take that first step, together.

Incoming California GOP Chairman Tom Del Beccaro has published a roadmap to the road back for Republicans. I highly recommend it, and it can be found here: <http://www.politicalvanguard.com/?p=2951>. That will take you to Tom's webpage. If you have trouble with this link, simply go to: www.politicalvanguard.com, you will find his series there.

Forum Highlights, a report by Michael Lerew

At the November issues Forum of the SCRWM, members and guests gathered to discuss the results of the recent elections. The first topic presented was, what do the election returns in California tell us about our state? What lessons should we learn? **Lynn:** California is basically conservative. **Helen:** We should focus on the coastal areas, and Hispanics. **Eldon:** We're up the creek without a paddle! Let's sell San Francisco to China! **Julie:** Why are the Latinos giving so many votes to Democrats? **Bill:** There are two dozen new Republican superstars, nationally. **Tony:** California can't go bankrupt. **Tom:** We face a crisis in this state. It's just a matter of time. **Eldon:** Tom McClintock is doing something right. **Marilyn:** Cutting off people's pensions isn't a solution. **Tom:** State employees shouldn't get multiple pensions from the state.

Another topic was, what do you hope the new Republican House of Representatives can accomplish in the next two years? **Gary:** Repeal of Obamacare. Defund it. **Val:** We need to watch for two problems: the Democrats, and the Republican old guard elite. **Ron:** We are the "bad guys," or else we'll end up as slaves.

It was also asked, where do California Republicans go from here? **Gary:** Carly's campaign didn't respond to Boxer ads about outsourcing jobs. **Lynn:** Carly should have addressed that, the issue of sending jobs out of the country. **Rochele:** Carly could have made a good response but didn't. **Tom:** We didn't get the Republican vote out. **Gary:** Over 60% of Republicans didn't bother to vote. **Ron:** We need a new paradigm. Carly didn't answer the charges because she couldn't answer them. **Marilyn:** Meg and Carly would have been stronger candidates if they'd had bold points. We shouldn't put up weak candidates.

It was asked, what do you expect from four years of Jerry Brown as governor? **Gary:** Brown will start out conservative, then give more money to public employees. **Eldon:** Brown won't change the coming train wreck. **Val:** Proposition 32 is the biggest problem for California's economy. **Julie:** Don't be afraid of Jerry Brown. Be afraid of his wife.

As always, it was an enjoyable, lively and interesting discussion.



Notes from the Board

Congratulations to the two new Board members. Beverly Ziegler, as 2nd Vice President, and Rochele Tetrault as 3rd Vice President. And to returning Board Members, Eldon Quick as President, Michael Lerew as 1st Vice President, Bill Saracino as Treasurer, Susan Quick as Recording Secretary, and Barbara Smith as Communicating Secretary. And our heart felt thanks to departing Board members Louise Clarke Stone and Val Cymbal. Your service was very much appreciated and you will be missed.

Dues reminder – Dues for 2011 are now due. Bring your check, or cash to the check in desk and be paid up for 2011.

John Kurzweil Tribute

by Bill Saracino

While known to most as the publisher and editor of the California Political Review magazine, John's political involvement dates to the 1970s and Ronald Reagan.

Having just graduated from CSU Humboldt, John was appalled at the state of the country and the national Republican Party in 1974 – 75. Deciding to do something about it he walked in an office of Young Americans for Freedom (YAF), volunteered to help, and worked the rest of his life advancing conservative ideas and strengthening the conservative movement.

John worked in both the 1976 and 1980 Reagan for President campaigns, as a media writer and spokesman and grassroots college organizer both in California and around the country. His work in 1976 took him to North Carolina, where he became a favorite of Senator Jesse Helms. John returned to the Tar Heel state in 1978 to help in Helms' first re-election campaign.

1980 also started John's association with State Senator H.L Richardson, who made John the Press Director for the Law and Order Campaign Committee (LOCC). The Committee concentrated on publicizing and campaigning against "soft on crime" judges at all judicial levels, and was the first group to call for the removal of Chief Justice Rose Bird.

Bird survived her first retention election, but LOCC and an outraged electorate got her in 1986. During that year John was the Executive Director of The Supreme Court Project, which developed monographs by leading professionals critiquing the records of Bird, Cruz Reynoso and Joseph Grodin. These monographs were widely praised and used extensively – providing a firm intellectual justification for removing the three very liberal and very activist judges.

Before serving a stint as the Communications Director for the California Republican Party, John also was the Editor of Policy Digest for the Heritage Foundation and Senior Editor for the National Catholic Register.

It was then that he formed the California Public Policy Foundation and started publishing the California Political Review. The magazine has just celebrated its 20th anniversary of providing Republicans and conservatives in California with their only state-based source of news, opinion, practical politics and humor. The magazine became a staple in the Capitol and anywhere in California that politics was the topic.

Perhaps more important than any of the above, John was a faithful friend, mentor and helper to hundreds of those who have been and are leaders of the GOP and the conservative movement in the state. John completely agreed with Ronald Reagan's slogan that there was no limit to what could be accomplished if you don't care who gets the credit.

Our country, party and movement have suffered a loss with John's passing. He would most firmly disapprove however of any moping around. He would insist on moving on to the next challenge and planning the next defeat of liberals and liberalism. Doing that will be the best possible memorial to John Kurzweil.

Val's Vents by Vladimir Cymbal

Eroding Freedom and Liberty in America

A story goes that a man wanted to start a pig farm but there were no pigs for sale that he could afford to buy. So he decided to start his farm with wild pigs. He cleared a space in the forest where he dumped garbage from local restaurants. He watched the wild pigs slowly approach, run away come back, and slowly begin to eat what he put there and stopped getting food the old fashioned way; finding it in the forest. He did this every day and the pigs kept coming and eating. By the third week they lost all caution and every day they rushed to gorge on the buffet. On the fourth week he built a fence behind the bounty of food. The pigs rushed to get their meal but stopped short about ten feet away. They noticed the fence and at first were suspicious but after sniffing the fence began to gorge on the food. Three weeks later he built a similar fence at a 90 degree angle from the first one. At first the pigs were again suspicious but soon paid no attention and began to feast. Again in three more weeks he built another fence, this time at a 90 degree angle on the other side. This time the pigs hardly noticed the latest addition to the fence and began to feast. The next week as the pigs were getting their fill, he snuck up behind them and added the fourth and last part of the fence and the pigs were corralled in a pen. When the pigs looked around they found out that they were trapped. They stopped eating and started to run around looking for a way out. They banged all sides of the fence to no avail. They were trapped. The pigs exhausted themselves trying to escape. For a few days they refused to eat what the farmer fed them but shortly they gave in and gladly ate the meager food he brought them. Eventually they stopped trying to escape and accepted their fate. The prospect of a free meal lured them into slavery.

Nothing is free. You either pay for it in advance or you pay dearly later. By accepting small intrusions on their freedom, the pigs got caught in trap that they could not get out of. One part of the fence didn't seem so bad to put up with. Then the meal seemed more important than the next and the next part of the fence. Each part protected their food source from other animals until the last part of the fence enslaved them.

Americans do not realize the fences being built around them. We did not see Social Security deductions from our paycheck as a fence. We did not believe that the money was not for our retirement but is being used to fund other spending by the government. We did not see Medicare as a fence being built and the beginning of Socialized Medicine. We got used to the ever increasing encroachment of our liberties when we went along with ever increasing smoking restrictions. We believe that the government is looking to protect us when it started to tell us what food to eat and has nothing to do with getting us used to do whatever the government dictates. Some of us accept that we are too stupid to choose for ourselves. Many do not realize that we are being conditioned to accept outrageous inconvenience, humiliation, and pain under the guise of being protected. How is that you ask? Take a few plane trips across the country and you'll understand. Ever wonder if there is an underlying reason why the government is afraid for you to own a gun? Here is a hint; every totalitarian government has stripped its citizens of a means to protect themselves.

We are being conditioned to accept a big brother government. Don't give up your freedom and liberty for a few shiny beads. They may seem very important to you now but later you see they are worthless compared to what you gave up.

Membership

2010 Membership

SCRW&M wishes to thank the following returning and new members for 2010

If you wish to continue your membership in 2011, fill out the form below and mail it to Bill Saracino at 3625 Angelus Avenue, Glendale, CA. 91208

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Dues for membership as a member of the Southern California Republican Women and Men for the year 2011 are now due.

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