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"LOUD AND PROUD"

LINDA PHIPPS

.March MAD-ness really hit the Woodland Hills Republican Women Federated meeting this month. Speaker Ernie White brought us up to date on the UN Agenda 21, which is happening NOW. The information offered aroused many of those in attendance with a desire to take action. Lilli Cutler will be leading a committee seeking training from Ernie White on how we can make a difference through grass roots efforts. Be looking for more information on this subject in the future. Many have been asking what we can do to spread the word outside of our circles and not just preach to the choir. This may be the opportunity for WHRWF to be loud and proud by standing up for our ideals right in the face of those who have chosen not to listen. Elected officials will be made aware of our sincerity when "we the

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

people" show up to council meetings in numbers too great to be ignored.

Mark your calendars and plan ahead for the "Sunny Side of the Street" fashion show and fund raiser. There will be lots of opportunity gift baskets and drawings to enter. It will be a fun time for all.

April is a time for celebration. Passover and Easter bring families together with traditions long observed. I wish you all Peace and Love during these springtime celebrations.

*Respectfully,
Linda Phipps
President*

*Woodland Hills Republican
Women Federated*



Runoff election May 19th

Connie Currin

3rd VP CAMPAIGN/PRINCINCT

Mark Isler and Jos. Essavi did not make the runoffs for their seats. Lydia Gutierrez District 7- and Scott Schmerelson District 3 will be in a runoff election May 19th — Our voting recommendations are Schmerelson, District 3, Gutierrez, District 7 of LAUSD.

IMPORTANT ELECTION DAY PHONE NUMBERS

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A BIG WELCOME TO THESE NEW MEMBERS

Regular Members: Michelle Goldwater (from associate to Regular, daughter of Gold Loyalty Member Rose Goldwater), Dr. Christiana Galstian (referred by Mercy Alpert, West Valley Warner Center Chamber of Commerce), & Eloise Hallahan who celebrated her 90th birthday with us at the March meeting (friend of Joann Calhoun), more are in the mail.

Associate: Linda Paine (CEO of Election Integrity Project, home club Santa Clarita RWF)



Nancy Eisenhart & Ann Hanna

“EACH ONE, REACH ONE”

2nd VP MEMBERSHIP



What is more thrilling than having the opportunity to tell guests at our meetings about the Benefits of Membership? (1) In **February** we stressed **Friendship**, (2) in **March**, **membership in the NFRW** (the largest volunteer political organization in the country), (3) **April**, the annual fundraising Fashion Show On The Sunny Side Of the Street”, as an example in **Self-Sufficiency** and **Independent Sovereignty** (no government hand-outs, dependency on charity), and (5) at the **May** meeting we will highlight **compassionate conservatism in action**. **Join in as we learn more each meeting about this great women’s organization.**

Renewals– Puleeze!! Please look at the label on your *News and Views*. If it has a ‘14’ by your name, it is end game to send in your dues. I am afraid without your 2015 dues we will stop delivery of the hard-copy, personally mailed “*News and Views*.” It cost \$2.70 cents to print and mail each edition, so it is easy to see why we need your current dues paid.

Alert- This month, APRIL, we are finalizing the 2015 Membership Roster. Won’t you pay your 2015 dues now and be in the Roster? We need every Republican Woman staying on the team if we are going to win elections in 2015 and 2016. A strong army DOES make a difference. Total members to date: 157 and growing.



Gail DeMario

1st VP PROGRAMS / AMERICANISM

One of the most important foundations of America is a free public education for all. A free public education was also responsible for the success of this country as a whole, and for individual citizens in their endeavors to make better lives for themselves and their families. The free public schools provided opportunities for everyone, but especially for the middle to lower economic classes. The 1950's and even part of the 1960's saw the rise of income that created a solid middle class lifestyle that would have been considered upper class in most other countries. More people stayed in school past age 16, and many more went on to university which wasn't free, but was affordable. And then.....everything changed.

As with everything that we consider uniquely American, public education has suffered at the hands of do-gooders, unions and specialists. Some things that have gone from our educational system are: A dress code, an honor code, fear of misbehaving, grades, winners and the people who didn't win but can't be called losers or second or third place, being held back a grade, grammar, geography, art and music, American history, world history, civics, economics, and English to name a few.

We have replaced all that with "freedom of expression" which means we cannot require students to wear uniforms. Now they show up for school looking homeless or dressed for a rap video. Students are no longer punished for tardiness or ditching or any number of infractions by having to pick up trash which was how school was kept clean when I was a student. Picking up trash is seen as being demeaning. Being unable to read, spell, pick out the USA on a map, do simple long division and/or not knowing the name of the Vice President isn't considered demeaning. The most important goal in education today is to make the students feel good about themselves. I have never seen "feel good about yourself" on a job description.

In August 2013 the scores for California and LAUSD were published. State scores dipped a bit for the first time since 2004. Dipping slightly is considered a victory. LAUSD had small gains in both math and English. The district celebrated that 48% of students were at grade level in English and 45% were at grade level in math. The slight dip was blamed on the recession that cut 20 billion dollars over 5 years from California campuses, the loss of 30,000 teachers, summer school and after school programs.

Apparently the lack of knowledge demonstrated by young people today has nothing to do with lack of solid curriculum and standards. The entire system is being throttled by unions who decide that LGBT bathrooms and gyms are more important than traditional education. Social engineering in the form of busing has made any parental control nearly impossible. Respect is not earned, it is simply given in the interest of self-worth. Students don't respect teachers and teachers don't respect parents, and the unions fuel this cycle of chaos.

The studies done at the schools in "Waiting for Superman" show that uniforms, standards, expectations, and a solid, traditional curriculum do indeed succeed in making smart, educated, responsible students who are prepared for higher learning and the jobs that will follow. And, they most certainly feel good about themselves with good reason. That is what victory looks like.





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City, State Zip Code

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Credit Card Type

Credit Card Number

Exp Date

Credit Card Owner

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Fixing Prop 47

Trying to fix the unintended consequences of Prop 47's passage. Well, legislators are already working to fix it's terrible by-products. We mentioned a couple bills last week, Assemblywoman Melendez's AB 150, which aims to fix the gun theft penalty reduction in Prop 47, and AB 390 (Cooper, D), which would allow law enforcement officials to still collect DNA evidence despite Prop 47's restrictions. Yet another bill by Republican Assemblyman Tom Lackey, would restore felony charges for date rape drug possession. Below are some quick facts from Assemblyman Lackey's office that will help you when discussing this bill with other Californians. Get them informed!

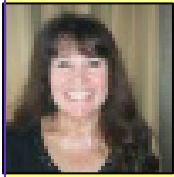
What is the background of this proposal? In November 2014, California voters approved Proposition 47 which reclassified many crimes from felonies to misdemeanors. One of these reclassifications involved the possession of the drugs Rohypnol and GHB—commonly known as “date rape” drugs. Under Prop. 47, only offenders who have been previously been convicted of a serious crime such as rape or murder can be charged as felony offense for possession of date rape drugs.

Proponents of Prop. 47 argued the state's prisons and jails are filled with low-level offenders serving sentences for crimes such as drug possession. One loophole created by Prop. 47's passage is that it treats possession of drugs used for personal recreational purposes and date rape drugs equally. There must be a clear distinction between drugs that are likely to be used for malicious purposes and those intended for personal consumption.

What is the problem to be addressed? A person is not in possession of a date rape drug for their own use. Instead these drugs are weapons in the hands of sexual predators. A person found in illegal possession of them should be treated as a dangerous criminal and face a potential felony conviction. Yet, Prop. 47 treats recreational drug possession and date rape drug possession equally by reducing possession of both to a misdemeanor that will likely result in little to no jail time. Law enforcement and victims' rights organizations pointed out this flaw in Prop. 47 prior to its passage. Because of the amnesia effects date rape drugs have on their victims, sexual assaults involving their use are under reported to law enforcement and remain a major problem.

By taking away a prosecutor's ability to charge an offender with a felony for possessing these tools used for sexual assault, many offenders will evade serious punishment and will be emboldened to commit further crimes. AB 46 simply offers an opportunity to California voters to resolve this issue and to decide if possession of date rape drugs should be a felony.

What specifically does this bill do? AB 46 will restore the ability to bring felony charges for the possession of most commonly used date rape drugs, including Rohypnol, GHB and ketamine. District attorneys will again be given discretion to charge a felony or misdemeanor. AB 46 is a majority vote bill that will be sent to the voters if passed by the Legislature and Governor.



“On the Sunny Side of the Street”

Marie Robinson 4th VP WAYS & MEANS

It's almost time for our annual special event fund raiser. Clear your calendar for Thursday, April 9th at 10:00, and invite all your friends to join in the fun. “On the Sunny Side of the Street” is the theme of our Fashion Show. Come see lovely fashions from designer Christine Ritchie from the Yearsley Company modeled by some of our very own club members. Christine will have her clothes, plus many lovely accessory items, for sale at the event.

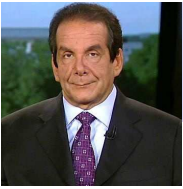
- ◆ We will also have an amazing silent auction with plenty of time for you to browse and pick your favorites. I'm expecting the “gloves to come off” as we, in a very ladylike silent way, fight for what we want.
- ◆ As if that's not enough, you can also look forward to two special opportunity drawings. Our usual five item Opportunity Drawing will be expanded to eighteen items. You are going to love all these great choices! The second drawing is actually three special drawings for \$100 cash prizes. Wouldn't you just love leaving the meeting with an extra \$100 bill in your purse?
- ◆ In addition to Christine Ritchie's beautifully designed clothing for sale, we will also have Melissa Emmans representing Karma Bakery with delicious baked treats. Shopping with our vendors is such a win, win event. We benefit with our purchases, and the club receives 15% of the vendor's profit and the items donated for the opportunity drawing. What a deal!
- ◆ Finally, we can look forward to a scrumptious special lunch. We will be served a delicious citrus roasted half chicken with a lemon thyme beurre blanc. There will also be yummy garlic mashed potatoes, seasonal vegetables, tasty sourdough rolls, and a mouth watering dessert.
- ◆ Get your reservations in to Madam Treasurer Sigrid Jones ASAP. This enchanting day is such a good deal at \$55.
- ◆ If you would like to contribute to the silent auction, there are still a few items we could use.
- ◆ Borrowed, just for the event: a dress form and a standing partition on which clothes may be hung
- ◆ We need all things chocolate
- ◆ If you have something to donate or loan, call me---Marie Robinson---at 818-888-5343 to arrange a pick up or delivery.
- ◆ Thanks so much!

Get your family and friends and sign up for this grand fashion show/luncheon today! Don't miss the fun.

Legislation

Yet again, another liberal legislation passed with unintended consequences that puts Californians at risk. This time it is the passage of Prop 47 last November that has led to new challenges for law enforcement and ultimately to neighborhoods that are not as safe. As you will recall, Prop 47 reduced many drug felonies to simple misdemeanors, treating heroine, meth, and cocaine possessions much like marijuana charges. So naturally narcotics arrests are falling, but robbery and burglary arrests have increased. How do addicts pay for their habits? By robbing and burglarizing in our communities. Without the felony charges, these narcotics users are getting off easy, serving very little jail time, if any, and are fueling their crimes with worse crimes. Without the felony charges, these addicts are not getting the court mandated drug programs to help with any chance of sobriety. Even worse, these once serious drug charges and other charges reduced under Prop 47 that would have other-

wise allowed law enforcement to collect criminal DNA forensics no longer have that option. DNA evidence is the greatest tool "to find the guilty and exonerate the innocent," Sacramento District Attorney Marie Schubert said at a press conference covering these concerns. Luckily bills are being introduced by the legislature to fix the flaws of Prop 47. AB 390 (Cooper, D) would allow law enforcement to collect DNA from criminals arrested and accused of burglary, stolen property possession, and drug possession. Also fixing Prop 47's problem of gun theft charges, AB 150 (Melendez, R) would mandate that all gun theft, regardless of value, would be a felony punishable by imprisonment. Voters should be made aware of all aspects of the consequences of a ballot measure before they vote. Yet again, the voters were fooled.



GOP WAY FORWARD—DO CONSERVATISM BETTER

CHARLES KRAUTHAMMER

THEY lose and immediately the chorus begins. Republicans must change or die. A rump party of white America, it must adapt to evolving demographics or forever be the minority.

The only part of this that is even partially true regards Hispanics. They should be a natural Republican constituency: striving immigrant community, religious, Catholic, family-oriented and socially conservative (on abortion, for example).

The principal reason they go Democratic is the issue of undocumented immigrants. In securing the Republican nomination, Mitt Romney made the strategic error of (unnecessarily) going to the right of Rick Perry. Romney could never successfully tack back.

For the party in general, however, the problem is hardly structural. It requires but a single policy change: Border fence plus amnesty. Yes, amnesty. Use the word. Shock and awe - full legal normalization (just short of citizenship) in return for full border enforcement.

I've always been of the "enforcement first" school, with the subsequent promise of legalization. I still think it's the better policy. But many Hispanics fear that there will be nothing beyond enforcement. So, promise amnesty right up front. Secure the border with guaranteed legalization to follow on the day the four border-state governors affirm that illegal immigration has slowed to a trickle.

Imagine Marco Rubio advancing such a policy on the road to 2016. It would transform the landscape. He'd win the Hispanic vote. Yes, win it. A problem fixable with a single policy initiative is not structural. It is solvable.

The other part of the current lament is that the Republican Party consistently trails among blacks, young people and (unmarried) women. (Republicans are plus-7 among married women.) But this is not for reasons of culture, identity or even affinity. It is because these constituencies tend to be more politically liberal - and Republicans are the conservative party.

The country doesn't need two liberal parties. Yes, Republicans need to weed out candidates who talk like morons about rape. But this doesn't mean the country needs two pro-choice parties either. In fact, more women are pro-life than are pro-choice. The problem here for Republicans is not policy but delicacy - speaking about culturally sensitive and philosophically complex issues with reflection and prudence.

Additionally, warn the doomsayers, Republicans must change not just ethnically but ideologically. Back to the center. Moderation above all!

More nonsense. Tuesday's exit polls showed that by an eight-point margin (51-43), Americans believe that government does too much. And Republicans are the party of smaller government. Moreover, onrushing economic exigencies - crushing debt, unsustainable entitlements - will make the argument for smaller government increasingly unassailable.

So, why give it up? Republicans lost the election not because they advanced a bad argument but because they advanced a good argument not well enough. Romney ran a solid campaign, but he is by nature a Northeastern moderate. He sincerely adopted the new conservatism but still spoke it as a second language.

More Ford '76 than Reagan '80, Romney is a transitional figure, both generationally and ideologically. Behind him, the party has an extraordinarily strong bench. In Congress - Paul Ryan, Marco Rubio, Kelly Ayotte, (the incoming) Ted Cruz and others. And the governors - Bobby Jindal, Scott Walker, Nikki Haley, plus former governor Jeb Bush and the soon retiring Mitch Daniels. (Chris Christie is currently in rehab.)

They were all either a little too young or just not personally prepared to run in 2012. No longer. There may not be a Reagan among them, but this generation of rising leaders is philosophically rooted and politically fluent in the new constitutional conservatism.

Ignore the trimmers. There's no need for radical change. The other party thinks it owns the demographic future - counter that in one stroke by fixing the Latino problem. Do not, however, abandon the party's philosophical anchor. In a world where European social democracy is imploding before our eyes, the party of smaller, more modernized government owns the ideological future.

Romney is a good man who made the best argument he could, and nearly won. He would have made a superb chief executive, but he (like the Clinton machine) could not match Barack Obama in the darker arts of public persuasion.

The answer to Romney's failure is not retreat, not aping the Democrats' patchwork pandering. It is to make the case for restrained, rationalized and reformed government in stark contrast to Obama's increasingly unsustainable big-spending, big-government paternalism.

Republicans: No whimpering. No whining. No reinvention when none is needed. Do conservatism, but do it better. There's a whole generation of leaders ready to do just that.

Article submitted by Terri Lynch, Legislation Chair



Thomas Paine Scholarship

JUANITA ROBBINS

Our Thomas Paine Merit Scholarship closed on March 15 and we are now in the process of having all the applications reviewed, read and evaluated. The readers this year are Victoria Wilson, Stacey Conti, Shirley Hartley, June Sloan and JoAnn Stipkovich. As last year, all the essays will be read blind. The readers won't know the names, school, sex or qualifications of the applicants. By the way, I am not eligible to be a reader since all applications are sent to me as Administrator of the scholarship fund.

We are very excited about the responses we've received. The evaluation process will take some time but our winners will be presented to you at our May meeting. At that time they will



also receive their awards and will read their essays.

This scholarship process has been a great experience for me and our committee members. It's refreshing and rewarding to know there are still so many young American students out there who

share our views and who will carry forward our efforts to return America to a true constitutionally-limited government. There is hope yet!

So please plan to attend our May meeting to hear and meet these exciting young students. And thank all of you for your generous and enthusiastic support. It is really appreciated and we are already preparing for next year!

IRS-Impersonation Telephone Scam

An aggressive and sophisticated phone scam targeting taxpayers, including recent immigrants, has been making the rounds throughout the country. Callers claim to be employees of the IRS, but are not. These con artists can sound convincing when they call. They use fake names and bogus IRS identification badge numbers. They may know a lot about their targets, and they usually alter the caller ID to make it look like the IRS is calling.

Victims are told they owe money to the IRS and it must be paid promptly through a pre-loaded debit card or wire transfer. If the victim refuses to cooperate, they are then threatened with arrest, deportation or suspension of a business or driver's license. In many cases, the caller becomes hostile and insulting.

Or, victims may be told they have a refund due to try to trick them into sharing private information.

If the phone isn't answered, the scammers often leave an "urgent" callback request.

Note that the IRS will never: 1) call to demand immediate payment, nor will the agency call about taxes owed without first having mailed you a bill; 2) demand that you pay taxes without giving you the opportunity to question or appeal the amount they say you owe; 3) require you to use a specific payment method for your taxes, such as a prepaid debit card; 4) ask for credit or debit card numbers over the phone; or 5) threaten to bring in local police or other law-enforcement groups to have you arrested for not paying.

Beware!

New ISIS Threat in Southern California!

Investigative sources in California say that radical Muslims are planning to go on a rampage in the city of Los Angeles, killing anyone who is a U.S. citizen. Police officials fear the death toll could be as high as 19.

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Pres. Linda, Past Pres. Victoria, speaker Ernie White



Past Pres. Nancy with Ernie White



Monthly meetings... Getting our Education on!



We don't need utilities, cars monitoring our behavior: Susan Shelley

In 1933, humorist James Thurber wrote that his grandmother lived the latter years of her life in the horrible suspicion that electricity was leaking all over the house. The woman was ahead of her time.

Utility companies are installing new meters on our homes that leak the juicy details of our lives.

Did you get a notice from the Southern California Gas Co. about the installation of Advanced Meters? The devices provide daily monitoring to help teach customers to have “better control” over their energy usage.

So if you've been heating your home to 212 degrees until water boils in a cup on the kitchen table, you can stop now. Your new meter will teach you to make tea in the microwave.

You can opt out of having an Advanced Meter, but it will cost you \$75 plus \$10 a month forever, thanks to the approval of the California Public Utilities Commission.

The Gas Company emphasizes that its Advanced Meters are nothing like the Smart Meters used by other utilities, including the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power. “Advanced Meters do not communicate with other meters, or with appliances in the home,” the Gas Company's website explains. “Advanced Meters cannot turn on or turn off your gas service.”

The DWP's Smart Meters, which feature “two-way communication,” are currently leaking information on the power habits of 52,000 DWP customers roped into a demonstration program called Smart Grid L.A. Customers can “personally monitor their energy use in real-time,” according to the DWP website.

The Gas Company's Advanced Meters phone home just once a day, but the DWP's Smart Meters continuously relay information that would allow anyone with access to the data, including a hacker, to know when you're sleeping and when you're awake, when you're out, what time you get home, and when you're away on vacation.

What could possibly go wrong?

In another pilot program, the state of California is studying the idea of adopting a “road usage charge” in the hope that taxing our mileage will raise more revenue than taxing the gallons of fuel we buy. Meanwhile, the California Air Resources Board is considering new regulations to require automobile manufacturers to collect more data in their cars' on-board computers.

CARB says it needs more information on the gas mileage and CO2 emissions of passenger vehicles. The regulators want data on speed, distance, number of stops, and air conditioner use, and they plan to download the data to the state's computers during smog checks. The new regulations will be published in April, with a board hearing in May.

The snooping doesn't stop at energy issues. California banks a blood sample of every newborn baby and sells access to the DNA to researchers. This has been going on since 1980.

Assembly member Mike Gatto, D-Burbank, has introduced AB 170, a bill that would require notification to parents that the state has retained their child's DNA material and informing them that they have the right to request that it be destroyed.

That's a good start on privacy protection, but it's not enough.

We need a law that prohibits utilities from conducting real-time or daily monitoring of energy and water usage unless customers have agreed to it. We need a law that stops unaccountable regulators from tapping into the computers of privately owned vehicles to download data on Californians' driving history.

The California Constitution says privacy is a right; it's not a policy option to be crossed out by people who believe they are working for the greater good. Individual rights are the foundation of freedom.

There is no greater good than that.



Our Strong GOP field of possible Presidential candidates.

Jeb Bush



Dr. Rand Paul



Scott Walker



Dr. Ben Carson



Kelly Ayott



Mike Huckabee



Rick Perry



Rick Santorum



John Thune



Bobby Jindal



John Kasich



Condoleezza Rice



Mike Pence



Ted Cruz



Susana Martinez



Marco Rubio



Carly Fiorina



Chris Christie



Do you have friends asking if the GOP has any good candidates? HA, do we have any bad? In the next few months we will get familiar with several in this field. Send me articles you feel are of interest about our next GOP potential President. V.W.

PAUL RYAN'S PROPOSED BUDGET CUTS

List of Re-
publican
Budget Cuts

Notice S.S.
and the mili-
tary are NOT
on this list .



These are all the programs that the new Republican House has proposed cutting.

- * Corporation for Public Broadcasting Subsidy -- \$445 million annual savings.
- * Save America 's Treasures Program -- \$25 million annual savings.
- * International Fund for Ireland -- \$17 million annual savings.
- * Legal Services Corporation -- \$420 million annual savings.
- * National Endowment for the Arts -- \$167.5 million annual savings.
- * National Endowment for the Humanities -- \$167.5 million annual savings.
- * Hope VI Program -- \$250 million annual savings.
- * Amtrak Subsidies -- \$1.565 billion annual savings.
- * Eliminate duplicating education programs -- H.R. 2274 (in last Congress), authored by Rep. McKeon , eliminates 68 at a savings of \$1.3 billion annually.
- * U.S. Trade Development Agency -- \$55 million annual savings.
- * Woodrow Wilson Center Subsidy -- \$20 million annual savings.
- * Cut in half funding for congressional printing and binding -- \$47 million annual savings.
- * John C. Stennis Center Subsidy -- \$430,000 annual savings.
- * Community Development Fund -- \$4.5 billion annual savings.
- * Heritage Area Grants and Statutory Aid - \$24 million annual savings.
- * Cut Federal Travel Budget in Half -- \$7.5 billion annual savings
- * Trim Federal Vehicle Budget by 20% -- \$600 million annual savings.
- * Essential Air Service -- \$150 million annual savings.

- * Technology Innovation Program -- \$70 million annual savings.
- * Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) Program -- \$125 million annual savings..
- * Department of Energy Grants to States for Weatherization -- \$530 million annual savings.
- * Beach Replenishment -- \$95 million annual savings.
- * New Starts Transit -- \$2 billion annual savings.
- * Exchange Programs for Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians, and Their Historical Trading Partners in Massachusetts -- \$9 million annual savings
- * Intercity and High Speed Rail Grants -- \$2.5 billion annual savings.
- * Title X Family Planning -- \$318 million annual savings.
- * Appalachian Regional Commission -- \$76 million annual savings.
- * Economic Development Administration - \$293 million annual savings.
- * Programs under the National and Community Services Act -- \$1.15 billion annual savings.
- * Applied Research at Department of Energy -- \$1.27 billion annual savings.
- * Freedom CAR and Fuel Partnership -- \$200 million annual savings..
- * Energy Star Program -- \$52 million annual savings.
- * Economic Assistance to Egypt -- \$250 million annually.
- * U.S. Agency for International Development -- \$1.39 billion annual savings..
- * General Assistance to District of Columbia -- \$210 million annual savings.
- * Subsidy for Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority -- \$150 million annual savings.
- * Presidential Campaign Fund -- \$775 million savings over ten years.
- * No funding for federal office space acquisition -- \$864 million annual savings.
- * End prohibitions on competitive sourcing of government services.
- * Repeal the Davis-Bacon Act -- More than \$1 billion annually.

- * IRS Direct Deposit: Require the IRS to deposit fees for some services it offers (such as processing payment plans for taxpayers) to the Treasury, instead of allowing it to remain as part of its budget -- \$1.8 billion savings over ten years.
- * Require collection of unpaid taxes by federal employees -- \$1 billion total savings. **WHAT'S THIS ABOUT?**
- * Prohibit taxpayer funded union activities by federal employees -- \$1.2 billion savings over ten years.
- * Sell excess federal properties the government does not make use of -- \$15 billion total savings.
- * Eliminate death gratuity for Members of Congress. **WHAT???**
- * Eliminate Mohair Subsidies -- \$1 million annual savings.
- *Eliminate taxpayer subsidies to the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change -- \$12.5 million annual savings. WELL ISN'T THAT SPECIAL***
- ◆ Eliminate Market Access Program -- \$200 million annual savings.
- * USDA Sugar Program -- \$14 million annual savings.
- * Subsidy to Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) -- \$93 million annual savings.
- * Eliminate the National Organic Certification Cost-Share Program -- \$56.2 million annual savings.
- *Eliminate fund for Obamacare administrative costs -- \$900 million savings.***
- * Ready to Learn TV Program -- \$27 million savings..
- * HUD Ph.D. Program.
- * Deficit Reduction Check-Off Act.
- *TOTAL SAVINGS: \$2.5 Trillion over Ten Years**

My question is, what is all this doing in the budget in the first place?!

(article sent to N&V by Louise Benson)

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS FOR THE APRIL MEETING TODAY!

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APRIL 9TH WHRWF MEETING

April 1 CFRW Southern Division

April 3 Good Friday

April 4th First Day of Passover

April 6th Easter

APRIL 9TH "ON THE SUNNY SIDE OF THE STREET"

Woodland Hills Country Club 21150 Dumetz Road,
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April 14th Executive Board Meeting- Fairwinds Retirement
Community 8138 Woodlake, West Hills 9:30-12:00

April 22nd LACFRW

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