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*Please join us to meet*

**Francis Ann  
Edmonston, M.D.**



**TUESDAY,  
September 12,  
2017**

*For Women Only  
To speak on...*

***"All You Wanted to  
Know about Women's  
Health, But were  
Afraid to Ask!"***

**Where:** The Base Lodge at Diamond Peak  
1210 Ski Way, Incline Village | 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

*\$25 with advance reservation, \$30 without*

This is your opportunity to discuss, among women, women's health issues. We understand that our husbands and men friends care about our health too, but we are creating an atmosphere in which all women will feel comfortable discussing problems they would not typically mention in mixed company. So we are asking that only women attend this presentation.

***RSVP to Shirley Appel at [mrsradar@aol.com](mailto:mrsradar@aol.com) or  
(cell) 818-266-4402 or (home) 775-831-1505***

***By Friday, September 8th***



### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**A**wesome August – **President Trump** visited Northern Nevada; **Attorney General Adam Laxalt** and **U.S. House**

**Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy** spoke to a crowd of 3,000 at the Annual Basque Fry; the Washoe County Republican Central Committee held their meeting here in Incline Village; we enjoyed yet another successful Garden Party at the lovely home of **Janet Pahl**; and there was a full eclipse of the sun!!!

What an honor it was to stand on the tarmac at the National Guard Airport in Reno and greet **President Trump** as he deplaned Air Force One. A big thanks to the Republican National Committee for extending this gracious invitation to a few of us. We ensured the President knew he is welcome in our State and has the support of working men and women who care about the future of America.

And how proud I was to see **Attorney General Adam Laxalt** host another successful Basque Fry. I joined three thousand cheering Republicans at Corley Ranch in Gardnerville to hear **Majority Leader McCarthy**, **Congressman Mark Amodei**, and **New Mexico Governor Susana Martinez**. In his beautifully delivered remarks, **Majority Leader McCarthy** reminded us of the significance of the famous painting, Washington Crossing the Delaware, a replica of which hangs in his conference room. Take a moment to locate a copy and look at the people rowing the boat with our first President. By the way, this scene was painted by a German immigrant in 1851.

Incline Village-Crystal Bay Republican Women was proud to sponsor the August meeting of the Washoe County Central Committee. Nearly 80 members gathered for a potluck dinner meeting at Aspen Grove. A big thank you to **Patricia Moser Morris and Claire Price** who staffed the boutique and helped raise money for our scholarship fund.

And while I am at it, I also want to extend a special thank you to Patricia for chairing the August Garden Party. We

had the double pleasure of having both **Secretary of State Barbara Cegavske** and **Congressman Mark Amodei** at this event. Congressman Amodei shared with us that he feels healthcare reform will occur by the end of the year; tax reductions will be a top Congressional priority after Labor Day; and he will fight to ensure Nevada receives our fair share of infrastructure funding. The Congressman also reminded us that if Dean Heller is not re-elected then we could face the ugly prospect of Chuck Schumer leading the Senate.

September is going to also be a marvelous month. Thanks to **Celine Nugent** we are hosting **Dr. Frances Edmonton** as our guest speaker on September 12th. She will speak about women's health issues. Please note the lunch meeting will be at Diamond Peak Lodge, not the Chateau. See the flyer on page 1 of this newsletter for details.

I will not be able to join you for this excellent presentation since I will be at a Couples for Liberty training in Hillsdale, Michigan that focuses on our Second Amendment rights. In addition to historical lectures and safety training, the course provides hands-on rifle and pistol practice. I won't be Annie Oakley when I return, but should at least have improved firearms skills. I look forward to sharing my experiences in my next President's message.

*Linda L. Smith*



### SECOND AMENDMENT, RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS

The Second Amendment of the Bill of Rights states: "A well regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the Right of the people to Keep and Bear Arms shall not be infringed."



*About our Speaker,*  
**Francis Ann  
Edmonston, M.D.**



By Patricia Moser  
Morris

**F**rancis Ann Edmonston, M.D., M.S. Public Health is a veteran of a distinguished career in obstetrics/gynecology. Dr. Edmonston (“Dr. Frances” to us) delivered at least 2,000 babies and performed at least 500 caesarians over the course of her career. Her “best

adventure,” she says, was when she delivered quadruplets by caesarian section, after fighting off “all the other doctors who wanted to steal her [the mom-to-be’s] surgery from me!”

Dr. Frances managed to graduate from medical school and become an OB/GYN in the teeth of overt, ferocious discrimination against women. And if that wasn’t enough of an obstacle, she was also a single mom of young twins! Back in 1961 when she was applying to medical schools, a quota for women of two percent of each entering class was typical. The University of California Medical School at San Francisco, where she studied, was an exception: Their quota was a comparatively munificent 13 percent! Dr. Frances had to wait 10 years after becoming an M.D. to get a residency in obstetrics because obstetrics is a surgical subspecialty and “only men operate” (sarcasm alert!).

Dr. Francis has worked all over the world, either as a physician or as an observer of medical practices elsewhere. In 1978, she went on a tour sponsored by San Francisco State University to study medical care in the U.S.S.R. and compare it to ours. Soviet medicine was, she says, “the most coo-coo ‘medicine’ any of us had ever seen.” Also, this being the height of the Cold War,

she learned how it feels to be under the constant observation of the old Soviet Union’s secret police, the KGB.

She visited Peshawar, Pakistan in 1998 to study obstetrical care in rural areas, and discovered that ambulances were unknown there and a pregnant woman who hemorrhaged simply bled to death. Dr. Frances was invited to return the following year and set up a woman’s out-patient gynecology clinic at a Christian hospital in Peshawar – which she did.

Dr. Frances also worked at Indian hospitals in Gallup and Santa Fe, New Mexico after her retirement, but did her most satisfying work at the Veterans Hospital in Reno, also after her retirement. “When 9/11 happened, I knew that the doctors at the VA hospital would all be deployed, so I went down there and got a part-time job. I was able to give my patients all the time they needed, and help them with their social as well as their medical problems,” she says.

Francis Ann Edmonston, M.D. was born and raised in San Francisco

**Education:**

- University of California at Berkeley: B.A. Physiology
- University of California Medical School at San Francisco: M.D.
- San Francisco General Hospital, San Francisco: General Medicine Rotating Internship
- Residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology Kaiser Hospital, San Francisco
- Board Certification in Obstetrics and Gynecology from the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology
- University of California at Berkeley Masters Degree in Public Health

**Work:**

- Staff Physician in General Practice: Denver General Hospital, 10 years
- Staff Obstetrician and Gynecologist, Kaiser Hospital, Hayward, California, 20 years
- Staff Physician in Women's Health, Reno, Nevada Veteran's Hospital, part-time, 6 years

**Now:** happily retired!



CLUB NEWS AND EVENTS



Washoe County Republican Committee met in Aspen Grove Thursday, August 24, 2017. 85 people attended the event.



Basque Fry attendance was great this year!



Scholarship Chair Claire Price, Assemblywomen Lisa Krasner, President of IVCBRW Linda Smith, and associate member Paul Smith at the Basque Fry.



Linda Smith and Carol Del Carlo standing in front of Air Force One in Reno.

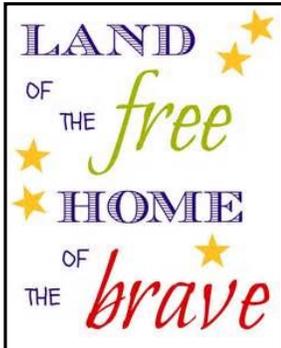




CLUB NEWS AND VIEWS

WHY I AM A REPUBLICAN

By Patricia Moser Morris



Recently, I was sitting with a small group of Republican women in our fellow club member and Assemblywoman Lisa Krasner's office, listening to Lisa tell us about her first legislative session as an Assembly member. Lisa told us what her goals were, what legislation she was

sponsoring, what obstacles she had to overcome, and more. As I listened, I thought about people I have known in other countries and what they would have thought about this occasion.

I thought about the French family I had lived with for a school year and how they had been afraid of their own police; how they had avoided contact with their own government whenever possible. I thought about the people I had known as a Foreign Service officer (a member of the U.S. diplomatic corps) serving in Africa and Latin America, people who understood that the U.S. had free and fair elections, while their elections – if they had any at all – were farcical. I remembered how shocked I had been, while living in these places, to realize that an individual had essentially no defense against his or her own government. I remembered how I had decided that I would never set foot in most of these places without the protection of a diplomatic passport.

As I listened to Lisa, it suddenly struck me that all these people – my friends – in these places would have given almost anything for just one such meeting and all that it implied about the government's respect for the individual citizen and the limits on the government's power over the individual citizen – and I was moved to tears.

This is why I am a Republican – because I believe in government whose power over the individual citizen is limited and not arbitrary; because I believe in

government that is accessible and accountable to the citizens; because I believe in government that depends on the citizens and not the reverse.

This kind of government is not something that we can or should take for granted. It is something that we should treasure and fight to preserve. At this point in our history, only Republicans are fighting to preserve it.



Blame Washoe County Voters for High Gas Prices

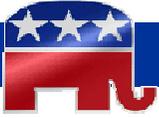
By Peter D. Krueger

In response to Ivonne Richardson's "Why is Nevada's gas so expensive?" [RGJ, Opinion, July 12]: The simple answer is the voters in 2003 and 2010 approved ballot questions to permit Washoe County gasoline tax indexing.

The outcome of these two elections allowed the Washoe County RTC to index our gasoline and diesel excise taxes to the producer price index, or PPI. Prior to 2010, it was the consumer price index, or CPI. The ballot questions enabled RTC to sell bonds tied to an ever-increasing tax rate. The revenue from the bonds is used to build and maintain roads throughout Washoe County.

Currently, the federal gasoline tax is 18.4 cents, state tax is 23 cents, county tax 10 cents and Washoe indexing 31 cents. That equals 84 cents per gallon. If

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## High Gas Prices



you did the math, I am short about 3 cents, which is comprised of miscellaneous taxes and fees.

On July 1, 2017 Washoe County's gasoline tax rate increased by 1.759 cents. The tax rate will continue to increase every July 1st until all the RTC bonds are either paid off early or

run their course for at least the next 20 years. The rate of increase is determined by the CPI and PPI increases on a rolling 10-year average.

Frustrated about having to pay high fuel taxes in Washoe? Take a drive to Carson City or Fernley where, without indexing, their gasoline prices are approximately 30 cents a gallon cheaper.

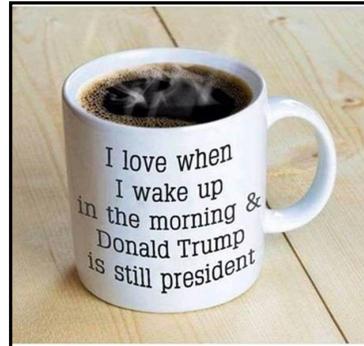
While it is easy to blame refiners, distributors or retailers and ask for government intervention, it was the voters who said "yes." A case can be made that the voters had no idea that they were voting for annual fuel tax increases that could ultimately lead to a Washoe indexing rate of one dollar. Even if voters said enough is enough, the annual increases cannot be stopped until all the bonds are paid off and no new bonds are issued.

Please remember that the men and women who own and work in gas stations are not responsible for the higher prices you pay at the pump in Washoe County. They work hard to provide a quality product at a fair and reasonable price to their customers.

*Article appeared in the Reno Gazette Journal, August 26, 2017.*

*Peter D. Krueger is executive director of the Nevada Petroleum Marketers & Convenience Store Association.*

## He Fights!



By Evan Sayet

**M**y Leftist friends (as well as many ardent #NeverTrumpers) constantly ask me if I'm not bothered by Donald Trump's lack of decorum. They ask if I don't think his tweets are "beneath the

dignity of the office." Here's my answer . . .

We Right-thinking people have tried dignity. There could not have been a man of more quiet dignity than George W. Bush as he suffered the outrageous lies and politically motivated hatreds that undermined his presidency. We tried statesmanship. Could there be another human being on this earth who so desperately prized "collegiality" as John McCain? We tried propriety – has there been a nicer human being ever than Mitt Romney? And the results were always the same.

This is because, while we were playing by the rules of dignity, collegiality and propriety, the Left has been, for the past 60 years, engaged in a knife fight where the only rules are those of Saul Alinsky and the Chicago mob.

I don't find anything "dignified," "collegial" or "proper" about Barack Obama's lying about what went down on the streets of Ferguson in order to ramp up racial hatreds because racial hatreds serve the Democratic Party. I don't see anything "dignified" in lying about the deaths of four Americans in Benghazi and imprisoning an innocent filmmaker to cover your tracks. I don't see anything "statesman-like" in weaponizing the IRS to be used to destroy your political opponents and any dissent. Yes, Obama was "articulate" and "polished" but in no way was he in the least bit "dignified," "collegial" or "proper."

The Left has been engaged in a war against America since the rise of the Children of the '60s. To them, it has been an all-out war where nothing is held sacred and nothing is seen as beyond the pale. It has been a war they've fought with violence, the threat of violence, demagoguery and lies from day one – the violent takeover of the universities – until now.

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The problem is that, through these years, the Left has been the only side fighting this war. While the Left has been taking a knife to anyone who stands in their way, the Right has continued to act with dignity, collegiality and propriety.

With Donald Trump, this all has come to an end. Donald Trump is America's first wartime president in the Culture War.

During wartime, things like "dignity" and "collegiality" simply aren't the most essential qualities one looks for in their warriors. Ulysses Grant was a drunk whose behavior in peacetime might well have seen him drummed out of the Army for conduct unbecoming. Had Abraham Lincoln applied the peacetime rules of propriety and booted Grant, the Democrats might well still be holding their slaves today. Lincoln rightly recognized that, "I cannot spare this man. He fights."

General George Patton was a vulgar-talking, son-of-a-bitch. In peacetime, this might have seen him stripped of rank. But, had Franklin Roosevelt applied the normal rules of decorum, then Hitler and the Socialists would barely be five decades into their thousand-year Reich.

Trump is fighting. And what's particularly delicious is that, like Patton standing over the battlefield as his tanks obliterated Rommel's, he's shouting, "You magnificent bastards, I read your book!" That is just the icing on the cake, but it's wonderful to see that not only is Trump fighting, he's defeating the Left using their own tactics.

That book is Saul Alinsky's *Rules for Radicals* – a book so essential to the Liberals' war against America that it is and was the playbook for the entire Obama administration and the subject of Hillary Clinton's senior thesis. It is a book of such pure evil that, just as the rest of us would

dedicate our book to those we most love or those to whom we are most indebted, *Alinsky dedicated his book to Lucifer.*

Trump's tweets may seem rash and unconsidered but, in reality, he is doing exactly what Alinsky suggested his followers do.

First, instead of going after "the fake media" – and they are so fake that they have literally

gotten every single significant story of the past 60 years not just wrong, but diametrically opposed to the truth, from the Tet Offensive to Benghazi, to what really happened on the streets of Ferguson, Missouri. . . . Trump isolated CNN; he made it personal. Then, just as Alinsky suggests, he employs ridicule which Alinsky described as "the most powerful weapon of all."

Everyone gets that it's not just CNN – in fact, in a world where Al Sharpton and Rachel Maddow, Paul Krugman and Nicholas Kristof are people of influence and whose "reporting" is in no way significantly different than CNN's – CNN is just a piker.

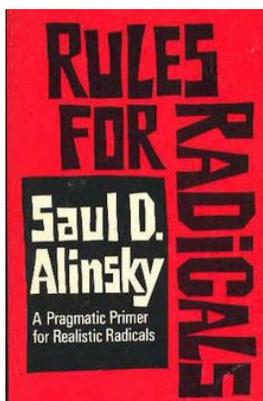
Most importantly, Trump's tweets have put CNN in an untenable and unwinnable position. With Trump's ability to go around them, they cannot simply stand pat. They need to respond. This leaves them with only two choices. They can either "go high" (as Hillary would disingenuously declare of herself and the fake news would disingenuously report as the truth) and begin to honestly and accurately report the news, or they can double-down on their usual tactics and hope to defeat Trump with twice their usual hysteria and demagoguery.

The problem for CNN (et al.) with the former is that, if they were to start honestly reporting the news, that would be the end of the Democratic Party they serve. It is nothing but the incessant use of fake news and propaganda that keeps the Left alive.

Imagine, for example, if CNN had honestly and accurately reported then-candidate Barack Obama's close ties to foreign terrorists (Rashid Khalidi), domestic terrorists (William Ayers), the mafia (Tony Rezko) or the true evils of his spiritual mentor, Jeremiah Wright's, church. Imagine if they had honestly and accurately conveyed the evils of the Obama administration's weaponizing of the IRS to be used against their political opponents or his running of guns to the Mexican cartels, or the truth about the murder of Ambassador Christopher Stevens and the Obama administration's cover-up.

This makes "going high" a non-starter for CNN. This leaves them no other option but to ratchet up the fake news, conjuring up the next "nothing burger" and devoting 24 hours a day to hysterical rants about how it's "worse than Nixon."

This, obviously, is what CNN has chosen to do. The problem is that, as they become more and more



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## He Fights!

hysterical, they become more and more obvious. Each new effort at even faker news than before and faker “outrage” only makes that much more clear to any objective observer that Trump is and always has been right about the fake news media.

And, by causing their hysteria, Trump has forced them into numerous, highly embarrassing and discrediting mistakes. Thus, in their desperation, they have lowered their standards even further and run with articles so clearly fake that, even with the liberal (lower case “l”) libel laws protecting the media, they’ve had to wholly retract and erase their stories repeatedly.

Their flailing at Trump has even seen them cross the line into criminality, with CNN using their vast corporate fortune to hunt down a private citizen for having made fun of them in an Internet meme. This heavy-handed and hysterical response to a joke on the Internet has backfired on CNN. This threat to release of personal information to encourage co-ideologists to visit violence upon him and his family – a political satirist – was chilling in that it clearly wasn’t meant just for him. Instead, CNN – playing by “Chicago Rules” – was sending a message to any and all: dissent will not be tolerated.

So, to my friends on the Left – and the #NeverTrumpers as well – do I wish we lived in a time when our president could be “collegial” and “dignified” and “proper”? Of course I do. These aren’t those times. This is war. And it’s a war that the Left has been fighting without opposition for the past 50 years.

So, say anything you want about this president – I get it, he can be vulgar, he can be crude, he can be undignified at times. I don’t care. I can’t spare this man. He fights.

*Evan Sayet is the author of The KinderGarden of Eden: How The Modern Liberal Thinks. His lecture to the Heritage Foundation on this same topic remains, some ten years later, by far the single most viewed lecture in their history. Evan can be reached at [contactevansayet@gmail.com](mailto:contactevansayet@gmail.com).*

### Opening page - Dedication, Rules for Radicals

“Lest we forget at least an over-the-shoulder acknowledgment to the very first radical: from all our legends, mythology, and history... the first radical known to man who rebelled against the establishment and did it so effectively that he at least won his own kingdom — Lucifer.”

## INCLINE VILLAGE/CRYSTAL BAY REPUBLICAN WOMEN’S CLUB

### –2017 Event Calendar–

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	RSVP BY
September 12	Special Luncheon	The Lodge at Diamond Peak	September 8
October 10	Monthly luncheon	The Chateau	October 6
November 14	Monthly luncheon	The Chateau	November 10
December 12	Annual Christmas Party and Officers’ Installation	The Chateau	December 8

Note: Regular monthly meetings take place on the second Tuesday of each month at The Chateau, 995 Fairway Blvd. Incline Village, NV. RSVPs are due the Friday before the event. June, July and August will be evening events.

RSVP: to Shirley Appel at [mrsradar@aol.com](mailto:mrsradar@aol.com) or by calling 775-831-1505 (home) or 818-266-4402 (cell). Please respect the RSVP deadline dates so we can ensure a spot for you.



### Membership Application

New Member     Renewing Membership

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Active \$35, any woman registered as a Republican

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\_\_\_\_\_ OR any man registered as a Republican

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