



# Update

## NEWPORT HARBOR REPUBLICAN WOMEN

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**Luncheon ~ Thursday, April 22, 2010**

With Special Guest Speaker

**Larry Greenfield**

Executive Director

Reagan Legacy Foundation

and Fellow in American Studies at the Claremont Institute

*Obama vs. America*

Larry Greenfield is a popular speaker and a friend of NHRW. He sits on the Executive Committee of the California Republican Party. He is the former Director of the Republican Jewish Coalition, and currently serves as the Executive Director of the Reagan Legacy Foundation.

Larry is also a Fellow in American Studies at the Claremont Institute. With a background in business, law, the military, politics and policy, he comments frequently in the media, including regular appearances on such notable radio stations as San Francisco's KSFO, San Diego's KCBQ, and KKLA in Los Angeles. Larry speaks on national security issues, including the West's response to the rise of radical Islam, and on such domestic issues as energy, economy, education, and mass culture.

Mr. Greenfield is a native Californian, with a BA in political science from the University of California at Berkeley, graduating in three years as Class Speaker. He earned his law degree from the Georgetown University Law Center in Washington, D.C. He served in the Armed Forces of the United States in Naval Intelligence Reserves.

Larry serves on the Advisory Board of the Endowment for Middle East Truth, and on the Board of the Israel-Christian Nexus.

Larry will outline the assault on the American people and the American way by the Obama Administration. He will share the principles underlying our Republican party, and why the Conservative Comeback has begun!

*Please invite friends and join us!*

**The Pacific Club, 4110 MacArthur Boulevard, Newport Beach 92660**

**Social Hour 11:30 ~ Lunch 12:00**

**\$26 Check payable to NHRW must be received by Saturday, April 17th**

**Mail to: Sheila Thomsen, 10 Rue Cannes, Newport Beach, CA 92660-5901**

You may call Sheila with questions at (949) 720-1726.

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# President's Message...

~ Becky Karns

## WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

Does anyone believe that the Health Care Bill was passed for the noble purpose of providing health care to those who don't have it? Ha. As Victor Davis Hanson says, we know the bill was about assuming a massive portion of the private sector, hiring tens of thousands of loyal, compliant new employees, staffing new departments with new technocrats and feeling wonderful that we "are leveling the playing field" and have achieved another Civil Rights landmark law. (Do the math: add higher state income taxes in most states, the new Clinton-era federal income tax rates to come, the proposed lifting of limits on income exposed to FICA taxes, and now new health care charges – and I think you can reach in some cases a bite of 65-70% of one's income.)



Hanson says we are in revolutionary times in which the government will grow to assume everything from energy use to student loans, while abroad we are a revolutionary sort of power, eager to mend fences with Syria and Iran, more eager still to distance ourselves from old Western allies like Israel and Britain. There won't be any more soaring rhetoric from Obama about purple-state America, "reaching across the aisle," or healing wounds. That was so 2008. Instead, we are in the most partisan age since Vietnam, ushered into it by the self-acclaimed "non-partisan."

**EVEN SO,** I urge you not to play into the hands of the progressives with any acting out that could be used against us to sabotage the conservative cause. Never get caught up in the ways and means of the left. Make your phone calls, but use no foul language. Of course, don't make any threats. I'm angry, too! But recognize how counter-productive these things are. We know that just one incident will be magnified a thousand times and used to represent the entire conservative movement. We know they're already busy creating incidents out of thin air. Rush calls it a strategy intended by the left to intimidate conservatives and drive them to frustration and reckless behavior. Glenn Beck is correct in his analysis of how the left is trying to get anyone on the right to snap, so they can call us lunatics that need to be silenced and done away with. Let's think carefully about what actually is *effective*.

Too many have assumed the arrogance of the Obama administration and its disregard of the voting public will spell political suicide for Congressional Democrats and for the President himself. **But that is far from certain**, according to Thomas Sowell. Nobody votes for Congress as a whole, and the President will not be on the ballot until 2012. In politics, overnight can be a lifetime.

The voters will have no experience with the actual, concrete effect of the government takeover of medical care at the time of either the 2010 or 2012 elections. All they will have will be the conflicting rhetoric—and you can depend on the mainstream media to go along with that of those who passed this mess.

What will Obama's current low approval rating matter if he can ram through new legislation to create millions of new voters by granting citizenship to illegal immigrants? That can be enough to give him two terms, and he can appoint enough Supreme Court justices to rubber-stamp further extensions of his power. When all these newly minted citizens are rounded up on election night by ethnic organization activists and labor union supporters of this administration, that may be enough to salvage the Democrats' control of Congress, as well. It can be the point of no return.

### ***What is crucial is that we get out the vote in November!!***

According to Karl Rove, to keep conservatives from staying away from the polls, we must focus on ObamaCare's weaknesses. It will cost \$2.6 trillion in its first decade of operation and is built on Madoff-style financing. For example, it double-counts Social Security payroll taxes, long-term care premiums and Medicare savings in order to make it *appear* more fiscally responsible. The truth is that ObamaCare is not \$143 billion in the black, as Democrats have claimed, but \$618 billion in the red. And giving the IRS \$10 billion to hire about 16,000 more agents to enforce the new taxes and fees in ObamaCare will drive small business owners crazy.

Republicans will be in a stronger position if they stay in the fight, make a principled case, and lay out a competing vision. I hope you'll keep coming to our informative luncheon meetings and bring others. Attend our Current Events Action meetings. Let our representatives hear from us – with respect and helpful content – and encourage those who are fighting for the right things. Reach out to the young people and get them involved – Obama certainly is—and with our tax money. Sign up for Voter Registration. Be good examples. Make sure people know what's really going on. Fight smart!

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**Wouldn't you like to sponsor a young lady to attend our luncheon meeting?** We're reaching out to some in their early 20s who are expressing an interest in learning more about what they can do to help, but simply can't afford the luncheons. Those who have come are excited and inspired. If you'd like to sponsor someone, please let me know or let Sheila Thomsen know you want to add an extra \$26 so we can invite one of them. We need three more sponsors for our April 22nd luncheon. Remember, the future is in their hands and we want them to remain on our side. Thank you!

***Onward and upward!***

Our luncheon meetings are held at The Pacific Club,  
4110 MacArthur Blvd., Newport Beach, 92660.  
*Entrance is on Von Karman, first driveway on the left off MacArthur.*  
Through toll gates, go right – two beige buildings on a lake.

Please have toll gate tickets validated inside club  
and insert same ticket to open gate when you leave.  
Free valet parking (no tipping allowed) or self-park if you prefer.  
No demin, jeans or beach sandals allowed by Pacific Club.

No cell phones in public areas;  
please use private phone rooms located in main hallway.



## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE APRIL 16, 2010

Our Scholarship program is one of the wonderful opportunities offered by NHRW!

We give up to three \$1,000-scholarships per year, along with summer internships in local legislators' offices.

Graduating seniors – both young ladies and young men - in the Newport-Mesa School District are eligible to apply for these scholarships. Students need not be in families of NHRW members. Applications for 2010 must be received by April 16th. Interviews will then take place, and recipients will be notified by May 1st.

Applications are available in all the high school counselors' offices in the district, or can be printed out by clicking on the link on our Web site at [www.nhrw.org](http://www.nhrw.org).

If you have any questions, you may contact our Scholarship Chair, Robin Sanders, at [sandersrobin75@gmail.com](mailto:sandersrobin75@gmail.com) or (949) 338-7778.



### SAVE THE DATES!

#### Thursday, April 22 - Luncheon

Larry Greenfield

Executive Director, Reagan Legacy Foundation & Fellow in American Studies, The Claremont Institute

#### Wednesday, April 14, 10:00 a.m. – Current Events Action Meeting

RSVP with Keythe by April 12th (949) 645-6544 or [keythe.aguilar@cox.net](mailto:keythe.aguilar@cox.net)

#### Thursday, May 27- Luncheon

John Eastman, Former Dean, Chapman Law School, & Senator Tom Harman, 35<sup>th</sup> District (schedule permitting)

#### Sunday morning, June 6 ~ Balboa Island Parade

June, July and August we have no luncheon meetings, but watch our Web site for some Current Events Action meetings. We return Thursday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> to the Pacific Club.



Please join us and make your voices heard! It's time for action!!

Wednesday, April 14, 2010 ~ 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon ~ Harbor View Homes

### CURRENT EVENTS ACTION MEETING

You will be presented with brief summaries (verbally and in writing) of some current issues of concern, and specific action steps, and will be given opportunities to send comments, suggestions and requests to your representatives in Washington or Sacramento. We'll provide postcards to write on the spot, and you may choose to take information and guidelines home and send e-mails or faxes, make phone calls – whatever you're comfortable with. And it's all *free*. (Small donations are welcome.)

Whatever form of communication you choose, the important thing is to *do it!* And do it respectfully and intelligently! Contacting your elected representatives can bring you that satisfaction of active involvement in the political process. Even if you rarely agree on issues, it is important that they know what you think.

We'll be surrounded by women who share our views in an exchange of ideas and information. This is a great way for interested people to meet and take action.

**RSVPs are required**, as we need a number to have enough postcards and information sheets, as well as to plan for simple refreshments.

It is suggested that you bring 10 return address labels to use on your postcards.

**RSVP** to Keythe Ward-Aguilar at (949) 645-6544 or [keythe.aguilar@cox.net](mailto:keythe.aguilar@cox.net) by Monday, April 12th

Please give your name, phone number and e-mail address (if you have one).

**Meeting will be at the home of Judy Lezama, 1956 Port Laurent Place, Newport Beach 92660**  
(From San Miguel--turn onto Port Sutton---go one block to end---turn left---then take 3<sup>rd</sup> right, at stop sign)



Tana Sherwood  
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## April Luncheon at The Pacific Club



Jane Weaver, Marsha Easterbrook  
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# April Luncheon at The Pacific Club



Michelle Koning, Tana Sherwood  
Alison Acosta Fraser, Becky Karns



Signing Petitions



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Leslie DuVall, Betty Jo Woollett, Leslie Daigle



Pam & Michelle Koning, Liz Barman, Katie Ogden, Becky Karns

# Alison Acosta Fraser

Director, Roe Institute for Economic Policy Studies, The Heritage Foundation, Washington D.C.

NHRW Luncheon ~ March 25, 2010

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To quote Alison Fraser, “Being passive and disengaged isn’t an option anymore!”



Ms. Fraser, who spoke to a crowded room of 176 people at our luncheon meeting, was a passionate speaker and, even though she quoted numbers and statistics, held the audience in rapt attention. A Southern California native who grew up in Seal Beach, she now lives in the Washington D.C. area and works for the Heritage Foundation. Founded in 1973, The Heritage Foundation is a research and educational institution—a think tank—whose mission is to formulate and promote conservative public policies based on the principles of free enterprise, limited government, individual freedom, traditional American values, and a strong national defense. Since the passage of the Health Care Bill, the foundation has had close to 40,000 new members join its ranks.

The title of Ms. Fraser’s talk was “*Obamanomics - What Does This Mean for Our Country?*” Basically it means a bigger dependence on government and more control by the government. Obama’s legacy is a fundamental shift away from our founding principles. This higher spending and higher taxes will result in spiraling debt. As the eighty million baby boomers move into retirement, this will increase the entitlement programs. With less than half the budget “appropriated,” the Medicare and Medicaid costs just grow and grow. This spending tsunami is crowding out other programs besides the entitlement programs. This spending incentivizes poor decisions, like having no savings except Social Security. She also said

not to believe the gimmicks about the cost of the Healthcare Bill. It will be \$2.5 Trillion over the next 10 years.

How will they balance the budget?

1) Taxes! Taxes will continue to grow, just like the European nations. This causes stagnant growth. The US currently has 25% more GDP growth than the top European nations. Higher taxes will cause our growth to decline. Ms. Fraser showed us that when Reagan reduced taxes it didn’t reduce tax receipts, so why do they think that increasing taxes will increase tax revenue?

2) Debt held by the public – this is already at a scary high percentage.

3) Spending Cuts – Spending cuts alone will not pay for rising entitlement spending. She showed a graph which estimated that entitlements would consume all tax revenues by 2052. She said they were working with members of congress to educate them on the issues, and that conservatives must work with moderate Democrats – not like Pelosi, who excludes the other side!

She ended with “Remember Leona” – this was one elderly woman who didn’t like the Medicare Catastrophic Act in the 1980s. She went after her congressman with her friends and chased him down in the street! She let him know that she disagreed with the Act. Her one voice started a movement to repeal the act, and it was repealed a year later.

You can see Ms. Fraser’s slides on Heritage.org. She encouraged us all to “make your voices heard!” Talk about the issues to your friends so we can have some changes happen in the November elections!

~ Cathy Fitzpatrick

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**HELP WANTED!**

We are looking for someone to take over as Editor of this newsletter.  
It is an extremely important part of our club and a position on our  
Board of Directors.

If you have good computer skills, an eye for layout, good grammar and  
spelling skills, discernment, and are interested, we'd love to talk with you.

Please contact Becky Karns at (949) 515-4395  
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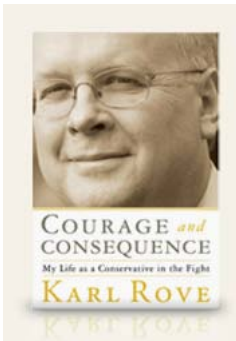
**BOOK REVIEW**

***Courage and Consequence*  
*My Life as a Conservative in the Fight***

by  
**Karl Rove**

Threshold Editions, a Division of Simon & Schuster, Inc., 2010

This fascinating book of 521 pages, not including voluminous Notes and Index, provides an insider's look behind the scenes of the presidency of George W. Bush.



The entire first chapter is devoted to Rove's childhood through enrollment in college – a happy time growing up with his two brothers and two sisters, until, as a teenager, he first discovered that he had been adopted.

When Louis Rove married Karl's mother, Reba, she had already borne Eric and Karl in a previous marriage. Louis adopted both boys, and he and Karl became especially close. Rove's second big shock came when he enrolled in the University of Utah, just as his mother and dad split up, leaving freshman Karl on his own.

Rove admits that much of his motivation in going into detail about his family and troubled relationships was to set the record straight, separating fact from fiction manufactured by the media.

The rest of *Courage and Consequence* concerns Rove's career in politics, including fund-raising, critiquing and advising candidates, planning campaigns, and his unique career as a political consultant. When George W. Bush won the presidency, Rove moved into his own office, just a few steps from the Oval Office which he occupied until he resigned during the seventh year of President Bush's term of office.

If you are interested in learning the "inside story" of events such as 9/11, winning the presidency in 2000 and 2004, the Valerie Plame affair, declaring war on Saddam Hussein, Bush's dogged decision to try The Surge in Iraq, and all the other events of the Bush presidency during the years Rove was with him, reading this could be the ultimate exercise in learning a far different version of events from those appearing in most media, both here and around the world. The unrelenting drumbeat of disparaging President Bush has finally found a public defender in Rove's carefully documented book.

--Liz Richards



# Membership Application Newport Harbor Republican Women

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Make checks payable to NHRW and mail to the above address.

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Questions: Mary Newton, Membership Chairman, 949.759.3469



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★ Please give this form to someone you know who is interested in becoming a part of our exciting activities. ★

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