

# DCRW NEWS

The Latest From Douglas County  
Republican Women

## November 2023

### President's Message



**W**ell it looks like fall has arrived, and we are definitely enjoying the cooler weather. I trust you are as well.

First of all, I would like to thank Chair Laura Gardner and her fabulous committee for a GREAT scholarship fundraiser, Roaring 20's Centennial Follies. Everyone looked like they were enjoying themselves. The decorations, dance lessons, silent auction, live auction, and food (thank you Woodett's) were wonderful. We don't have a firm total yet, but it looks like this will be our biggest scholarship fundraiser to date. If you want to relive that delightful evening, there are three pages of fabulous photos in this newsletter.

At the November meeting we will have our very own mini "convention." We will be looking at the revamped committees, election of officers for 2024-2026, bylaw proposals to be considered in February, and, of course, our very own Congressman Mark Amodei who will give us an update on Washington, D.C.

Thank you to the ladies who are going to the NvFRW Convention in Reno on October 22-23, 2024. We will have a report from that meeting for you next month.

See everyone at our next meeting November 1, 2023.

Stay well,

*Brenda*

*On a personal note, we have just been blessed with our fourth great granddaughter, Callie Kennedy. ♡*

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*In all things  
GIVE thanks!*





## You Are Invited

Come find out what the Douglas County Republican Women are all about. You are invited to join us at any of our regular monthly lunch meetings held the first Wednesday of every month.

### Next Meeting: November 1st

Guest Speaker:

Congressman Mark Amodei



Valley Christian Fellowship  
1681 Lucerne Street, Minden

Doors open 11:00 am

Meeting starts at 11:45 a.m.

Reservations Required

Cost \$15.00

Reservation deadline:

October 27, 2023

To reserve your spot contact:  
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## *This Month's Menu*



2 Soup Choices

Salad & Rolls

Dump Cake

## November Guest Speaker



Congressman Mark Amodei has served the 2nd Congressional District of Nevada since 2011. He was born in June 1958 and raised in Carson City, Nevada. Mark served in the U.S. Army in the JAG Corp after passing the bar.

Congressman Amodei introduced 45 bills into Congress among which are: HR4688 Douglas County Economics Development and Conservation Act of 2016, which directed the Forest Service to convey approximately 67 acres of certain Forest Service land (Lake Tahoe-Nevada State Park) to the state of Nevada, and HR2324 Small Lands Tract Conveyance Act to accelerate the process for transferring small parcels of federal land to the local communities.

Congressman Amodei served on the following committees: House Committee of Appropriations, House Judiciary Committee, House Natural Resources Committee, and House Committee of Veterans Affairs.

Congressman Amodei did not join the majority of Republican members of Congress who sided with Trump's attempt to overturn the 2020 Presidential elections.

## November Business Meeting Information

We have a lot to cover at our November meeting. It will be a mini-convention ala DCRW style.

We will be voting on the proposed slate of officers for 2024-2026, taking additional nominations from the floor, reviewing the committees, etc.



# Membership Report

## IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR DCRW MEMBERSHIP



**T**hank you to the 38 Full Members who renewed in October either at the meeting or after through the mail. Please know those renewing through the mail will be entered into the November Gift Certificate Drawing! You have to renew to win!!!

38 or 41% is a great start to achieving the NvFRW goal of 80% full member renewal by year's end. Having ended 2023 with 115 full members, DCRW needs 92 to renew. While we strive to exceed this goal, we currently need 54 more ladies to step up and we have November and December to do it. Remember, each of us must complete the new enhanced application. Look for your membership team sitting near the lunchroom entrance at the November 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. If you are unable to attend, you will find the new application with our mailing address at the end of this newsletter. Anyone renewing after the meeting through the end of November will be entered into the December meeting's gift certificate drawing.

Beginning now, all membership statistics will be for 2024 only. Currently, we have 54 full members and 10 associates. Please be on the look-out for our new members, introduce yourself and make them feel welcome.

### New & Returning Full Members:

Margaret Brown, Antoinette Casselberry, Elizabeth (Betsy) Cole, Linda Hivert (return to

DCRW), Jackie Korbholz, Kay Long, Karyl Mannelly, Susan Rayburn, Paige Shaw, Evelyn Shields, Barbie Sisneros, Marilyn Startin, Kathryn Thompson, Valerie Wharton, Sharon White, Sally Wiley (return to DCRW)

DCRW strives to offer opportunities to use your talents according to your interests. Each of us has God given talents and skills we have honed over time. Let's share what we all do best with one another by getting involved in supporting our Douglas County Community and getting Republicans elected.

**One lucky full member renewing at our November 1<sup>st</sup> meeting will win a \$25 gift certificate to Especially for You!**

To facilitate this process, your membership committee will showcase and present the DCRW Committee opportunities we hope to launch in the next few months. Each member will be given a handout explaining each of our committees. Then at the conclusion of our presentation we will have a fun Talent Search. This will

be a great time for you to voice your interests and talents.

See you at the November 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting!

*No Karas*

2nd Vice President—Membership





# Silent Auction

## Items Needed!

The need for silent auction items is ongoing by DCRW. When cleaning out your closets or cupboards think DCRW! Your items should be in good condition, with an estimated value for your donated item(s).

Three simple steps:

1. If possible, contact Gloria Darrington to let her know what you are bringing to auction off. Her email is [gdarrington@charter.net](mailto:gdarrington@charter.net) OR
2. Just bring your item(s) and give them to Gloria at the meeting. The earlier, the better so all members have an opportunity to see and bid on the item(s).
3. Gloria will write up the bid sheet on your behalf.



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## Caring for Our Members

The good news is that we did not need to send out any cards this month! However, if you know of a DCRW member who could use a little encouragement or cheer, please call Jean Tomlinson, our Sunshine Chair, to let her know. You can contact her at 775•267•2408.





# National Federation of Republican Women 42nd Biennial Convention



Brenda Robertson, DCRW President, receiving the Diamond Award for Douglas County Republican Women.



The Nevada Federation of Republican Women at the National convention in Oklahoma. DCRW members attending: Theresa DeGraffenreid, Janet Freixas, Brenda Robertson, and Maxine Rodowicz.



**J**ews and Christians share the belief that God has chosen Israel for a purpose — to reveal His power, His faithfulness, and loving-kindness to all the earth. As we watch and hear about the horrible actions by Hamas against

Israel, we fervently pray for those caught in this war. We are anxious with worry, and we grieve the loss of life and pray for a peace in the Middle East that will ensure Israel and its inhabitants safety for a long, long time.

Gerard Baker writes in the WSJ, “The Biden administration has turned Afghanistan from a U.S. protectorate to a terrorist state, has seen a nuclear-armed adversary invade a European nation on the borders of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, and has now watched helplessly as our closest ally in the Middle East has been raped

by terrorists backed by a state the administration has been busy appeasing.” “The primary responsibility for the monstrosity in Israel lies with the terrorists. But American weakness will always embolden the worst people in the world.”

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

America, our beautiful country, needs leaders who will restore her standing as a strong nation and ally.

I urge everyone to pray for Israel and America and for confidence that His will is being done. Isaiah 32:17 tells us, “And the work of righteousness will be peace. And the service of righteousness, quietness and confidence forever.”

*Ginger Starrett*  
Chaplain





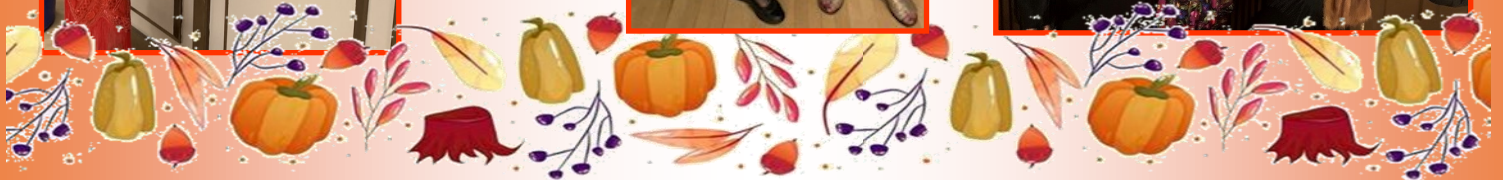
# Roaring 20s Centennial Follies



Elinor Lacy and her dapper companion, Ray Morin, who won "Male Best Dressed!"



Brenda Robertson, DCRW President, and Mark Gardner, County Commissioner, arrested at the Follies. Luckily, they were able to raise \$250.00 and were released on bail.





# Roaring 20s Centennial Follies



Dressed to the nines are Trent & Katherine Dickerson. Katherine won "Female Best Dressed".



Our Dance Instructors



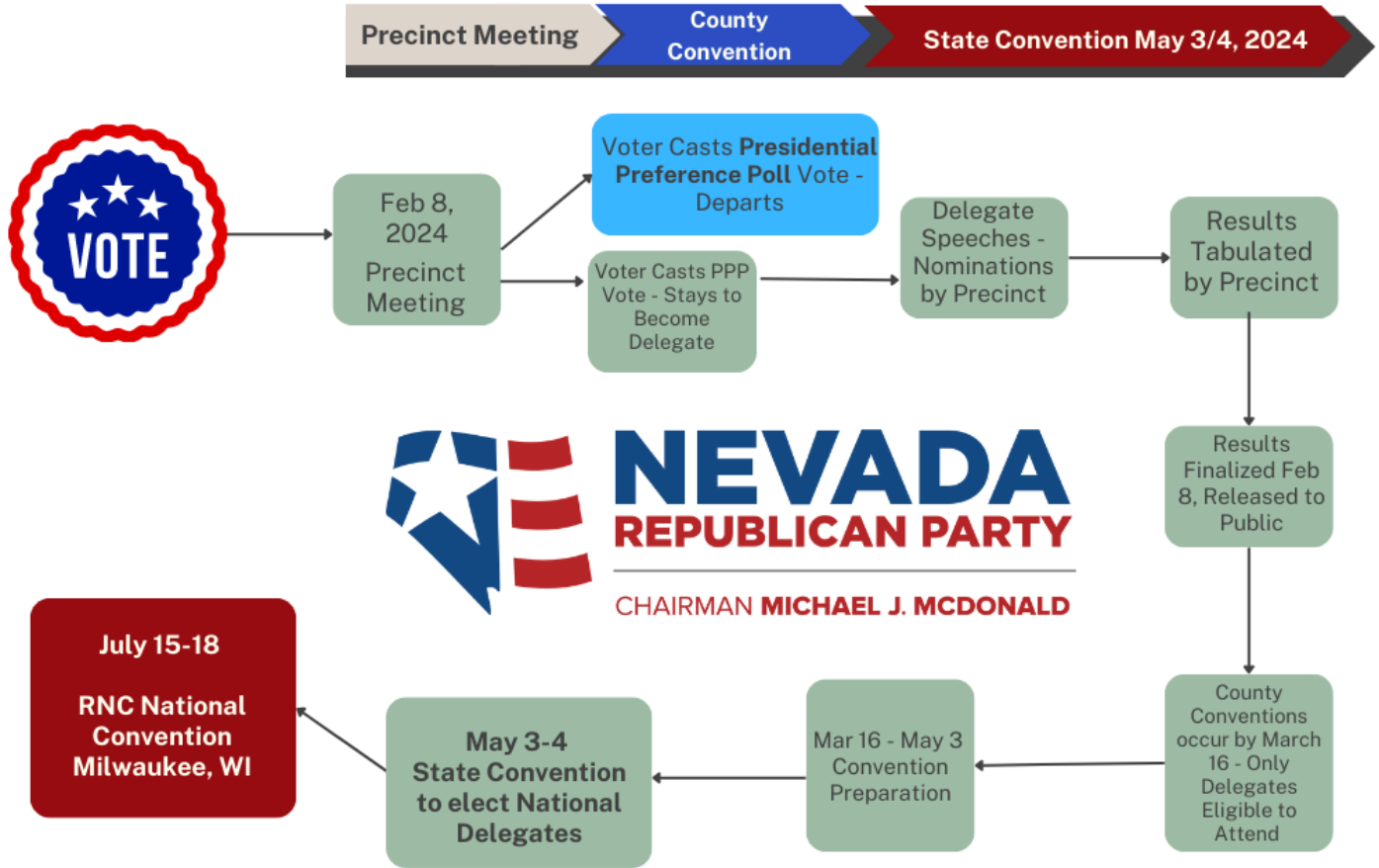


# Roaring 20s Centennial Follies





# Nevada Caucus Process



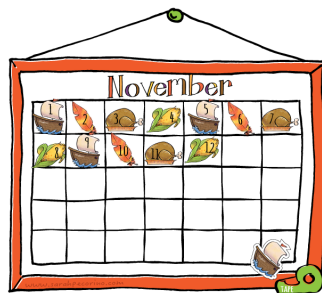
Chairman McDonald and Jim DeGraffenreid, National Committeeman, from the Nevada Republican Party were our guest speakers in October. They provided us with a thorough explanation of why the Republican Party is holding a caucus, and what the differences are between a caucus and primary. The Nevada Republican Party is looking forward to hosting the **First In The West Caucus on Thursday, February 8, 2024**. The Caucus will occur at 5 PM, and be hosted in meetings assigned by precinct locations statewide.

You must be a registered Republican to participate, and government-issued ID is required in order to verify your identity. Voting takes place on paper ballots with tabulation all caucus-goers can observe. A caucus is the best way for voters to play an essential role in electing our next President of the United States. Our caucus has many of the common-sense election reforms supported by Governor Lombardo:

- Voter ID required
- No mass-mailed ballots
- Precinct-based voting
- Limited to registered Republicans
- Election day, not election month!



# 2023/24 Calendar Of Events



## November

- Nov 01 DCRW Lunch Meeting @ VCF 11am
- Nov 05 Daylight Savings Time Ends
- Nov 08 SNRW Meeting @ COD Casino 11:30
- Nov 09 DCRCC Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6:30pm
- Nov 11 Veteran's Day
- Nov 23 Thanksgiving



## December

- Dec 06 DCRW Lunch Meeting @ VCF 11am
- Dec 07 Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
- Dec 07 Hanukkah (start)
- Dec 13 SNRW Meeting @ COD Casino 11:30
- Dec 14 DCRCC Meeting @ Elks Lodge 7:00pm
- Dec 21 Winter Solstice
- Dec 25 Christmas
- Dec 26 Kwanza (start)



## January 2024

- Jan 01 Happy New Year!
- Jan 03 DCRW Lunch Meeting @ VCF 11am
- Jan 10 SNRW Meeting @ COD Casino 11:30
- Jan 11 DCRCC Meeting @ Elks Lodge 7:00pm
- Jan 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day



**It Takes Strong  
Women to Run  
the DCRW!**



*We Need Your Help!*

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Newsletter:	Judy Brooke
Public Relations	Barbara Smallwood
Scholarships:	Brenda Robertson
Ways & Means:	<b>OPEN</b>

## SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Achievement Awards:	Janet Freixas
Nominating Committee:	Debbie Cutshaw
MELP/PEM:	Nancy Kjeldergaard
Photographer:	Terri Huffman
Sergeant at Arms:	<b>OPEN</b>
Sunshine:	Jean Tomlinson

Please email Club President, Brenda Robertson, to discuss ways in which you might like to become more involved in the DCRW. [bjr463@charter.net](mailto:bjr463@charter.net)







## Worthwhile Websites

**Douglas County Republican Women**  
[www.dcrwnevada.com](http://www.dcrwnevada.com)

**Nevada Federation of Republican Women**  
[www.nvfrw.org](http://www.nvfrw.org)

**Nevada Republican Party**  
[www.nevadagop.org](http://www.nevadagop.org)

**Douglas County Republican Central Committee**  
[www.douglasgop.org](http://www.douglasgop.org)

**Republican National Committee**  
[www.rnc.org](http://www.rnc.org)

**The Federalist**  
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**Heritage Foundation**  
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**Left Coast Report**  
[www.newsmax.com](http://www.newsmax.com)

**Pacific Justice Institute**  
[www.pacificjustice.org](http://www.pacificjustice.org)

**Nevada Governor**  
[www.gov.nv.gov](http://www.gov.nv.gov)

**Grassroots**  
[www.grassroots.com](http://www.grassroots.com)

*Note: All the above website links are clickable and will take you directly to the website.*

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**Ginger Starrett**

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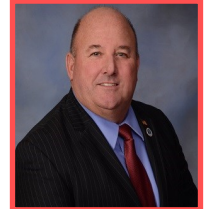


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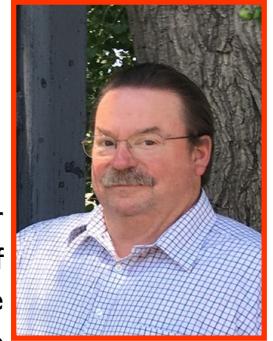
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## Be in the Know

By: James McKalip,  
Central Committee



With the upcoming election year we will begin the task of re-forming the County Party for the next two years. It all starts with the Precinct Meetings held simultaneously with the Presidential Caucus on Thursday, February 8th. This will be the time to recommend ideas for the 2024-2026 Platform, Bylaws, and Resolutions. These will be submitted to the various Committees to be proposed at the County Convention in March. At this time you may sign up to be a delegate for the County Convention.

At the County Convention we finalize the Platform, Bylaws, and Resolutions. All Central Committee members will have to re-apply and be voted in to be members. This is also the time delegates will be elected to the State Convention scheduled in May.

At the State Convention we will do much the same as the County. We will break up into Committees to work on a proposed State Platform, Bylaws, and Resolutions. Also delegates will be elected to represent Nevada at the National Convention in Milwaukee, July 15-18, 2024.

This cycle repeats every even numbered year. It begins at the local precinct meetings (essentially our neighbors), followed by the County Convention, then the State Convention, and finally the National Convention.

In Milwaukee, we will crown our nominees for President and Vice President and develop a National Platform. It all starts with our neighborhood precincts. Precincts are the building blocks of our party.

The Douglas County Republican Central Committee meets the 2nd Thursday of every month at The Elks Lodge on Kimmerling in Gardnerville. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.

All Republicans are welcome. I hope to see you there.





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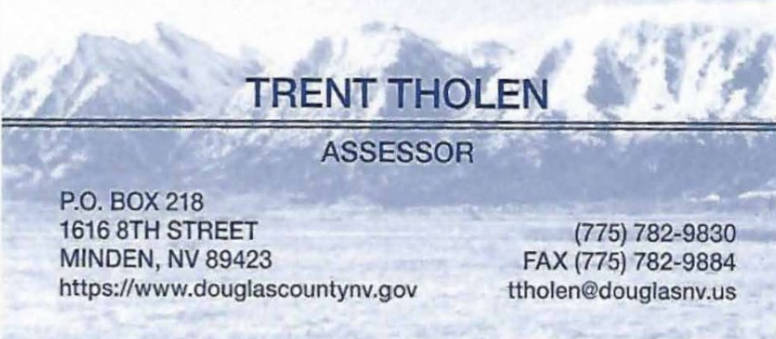


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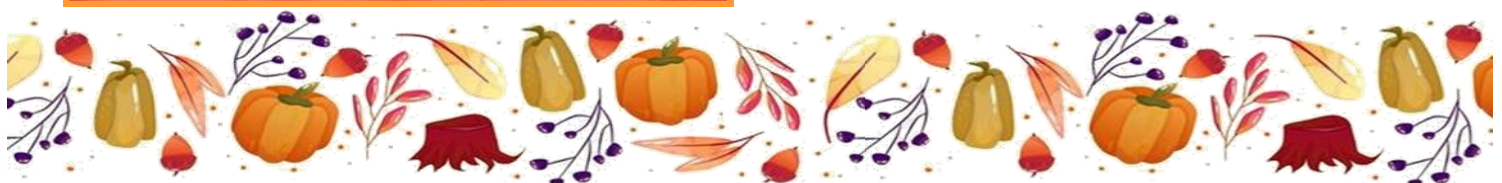


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Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_



# Douglas County Republican Women

## Membership Application / Renewal Form

**YOU MUST BE A REGISTERED REPUBLICAN TO JOIN**

We hold monthly luncheons with interesting guest speakers, as well as special activities throughout the year. Memberships are annual, January through December.

**NEW Full Member: \$40**

**RENEW Full Member: \$40**

**Associate Member: \$20**

**Junior Member: \$0**

*(Associate Members are women belonging to another Republican Women's Club or are a Republican man  
Provide name of Primary Club – Associate Members only:*

*(9<sup>th</sup> – 12 grade) Birth Month & Year: \_\_\_/\_\_\_*

**NAME BADGES are available in RED for an additional \$20.00**

Print name to appear on badge: \_\_\_\_\_

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Republican Women

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