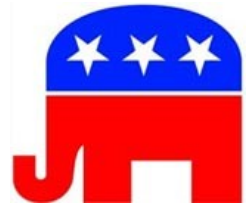


Republicans of River City



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THIS IS A FREE MEETING; YOU MAY PAY YOUR DUES AT THE DOOR!

REPUBLICANS OF RIVER CITY WELCOME SACRAMENTO COUNTY BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY LEADER BARBARA ORTEGA TO SPEAK ON

**February 21, 2012 at Mimi's Restaurant, located at:
2029 Alta Arden Way
Sacramento, 95825**

The social hour starts at 6:30 PM and the general meeting starts at 7:15 PM.

Republicans of River City welcome Sacramento County business and community leader Barbara Ortega to our February 21st meeting.

Barbara is running for the State Assembly in the new 8th district on a platform of economic growth, job creation and fiscal accountability in state government.

A California native, Barbara was born in San Pedro, where her father worked on the docks as a longshoreman. Barbara's father was a Navy veteran who served on the USS Finback during WWII, the submarine that pulled Navy Pilot and future President George H. W. Bush out of the water after he was shot down over the Pacific.

Barbara is currently the co-owner of POW Group, which provides consulting services specializing in a wide range of business management services, strategic market analysis, marketing, economic development, grass root programs, and business to business ventures. Prior to forming POW Group, Barbara served in various top positions with Abbott Laboratories, including as Director of Business Development & Strategic Programs. Her business career also includes



2012 REELECTION OF RRC BOARD OFFICERS

Republicans of River City officers and board members will stand for reelection at our February meeting. The present officers and board members are:

Carl Burton, President; Betty Axup, 1st Vice President; Al Rogel, 2nd Vice President; Colleen Fitzpatrick, Secretary; Chris Angle, Director; Richard Eigenheer, Director; Fred Hildebrand, Director; Patty Hildebrand, Director; Lynn MacLean, Director; Paul Green, Past President; TBA, Treasurer and Membership Secretary.

If you would like to have the board issue a questionnaire to ascertain what you would like

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serving as Director and Vice President of the California Manufacturers & Technology Association and Director of Legislative Affairs at the United States Chamber of Commerce.

Barbara attended Chapman College and graduated with a B.A. in Political Science and Communications. She completed graduate work at Stanford University and California State University, Sacramento. She belongs to the Corporate Advisory Council for the National Hispanic Council on Aging.

Barbara and her husband David live in Sacramento. She has 2 grown children, Charlie and Sarah, and 2 grandchildren.

The new 8th Assembly district stretches from Citrus Heights in the north to the border of Galt in South Sacramento County. It includes communities and neighborhoods of Arden-Arcade, Carmichael, Citrus Heights, Gold River, Rancho Cordova, Rancho Murieta, Vineyard and Wilton. Barbara has been a resident of the area for almost 30 years.

BE INFORMED

With state and county redistricting the upcoming elections could result in major changes in the California Republican delegation to Congress and also in the state legislature. This is why it is so important that all RRC members stay informed about what is going on in our community.

If there are issues that you would like to have discussed at a regular members meeting or a candidate you would like to meet let us know and we will strive to fulfill your desires.

the organization to do in the coming year, please let me or one of our board members know. You can reach me at carl@rrcgop.org or call (916) 485-5741.



WELCOM VISITOR

California State University student Natalie Offenbecher Chair of the College Young Republicans will attend our Feb. 21st meeting and let Republicans of River City know what the YR's are doing on the college campus and how we can help them in their efforts.

Natalie Offenbecher was born and raised in California and graduated from Folsom High School. After high school, she attended UC Riverside for two years.

She returned to Sacramento and transferred to Sacramento State. Natalie got involved with the Sacramento chapter of the College Republicans a year ago and has been the Chair of the club since last May.

Currently, Natalie works for The Bovee Company, a political fundraising firm located across the street from the Capitol. She will graduate in May, 2012, and after graduation plans to either stay at her current job or work on a political campaign.

FEBRUARY IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH

The 2012 theme for African American History Month, celebrated in February, is "Black Women in American: Culture and History.

Here is a list of some of prominent African-American Republican women from all walks of life:

Mary McLeod Bethune (1875 - 1955):

Mary McLeod Bethune was an educator, presidential advisor, civil rights advocate, and one of America's most influential African American leaders. As former slaves, Bethune's parents were determined that she accept an offer from a Quaker woman to attend school when few educational opportunities were available to African Americans

Condoleezza Rice (b 1954):

With her appointment as the 66th Secretary of State on January 26, 2005, Dr. Condoleezza Rice became the first black woman in our country's history to hold our nation's highest cabinet office.

Jennifer Carroll (b 1959):

Jennifer Carroll is Florida's 18th Lieutenant Governor. Upon her election in 2010, she became the first African American woman ever elected to this position in Florida. She was a state legislator for over seven years, a small business owner, former Executive Director of Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs and a Navy veteran.

Harriet Tubman (1821 - 1913):

Harriet Tubman was heralded as the "Moses" of black people, leading approximately 300 slaves

to freedom during nineteen trips. Her work became even more dangerous with the passage of the Fugitive Slave Law and the offer of awards by slave owners for her capture. She learned about the Underground Railroad which was a secret network of abolitionists, freed blacks, sympathetic whites and Quakers who helped runaway slaves. Tubman became the most influential of the black conductors. After the outbreak of the Civil War, she served with distinction as a soldier, spy, and a nurse, spending time at Fort Monroe, where Jefferson Davis was later imprisoned.

Sojourner Truth (1797 - 1883)
Sojourner Truth was born as a slave in Hurley, New York and became a nationally known speaker on human rights for slaves and women. At the time of her birth, New York and New Jersey were the only northern states that still permitted slavery. After gaining her freedom, she took the name Sojourner Truth to signify her role as a traveler telling the truth about slavery. She set out on June 1, 1843, walking for miles and gaining fame. Truth's popularity was enhanced by her biography *The Narrative of Sojourner Truth: A Northern Slave* written by the abolitionist Olive Gilbert, with a

preface written by William Lloyd Garrison. She was the first prominent African American woman to become directly involved with the white women's suffrage movement. She gave her famous speech, "Ain't I a Woman?" in the 1851 Convention on Women's Rights in Akron, Ohio in response to a clergyman's remarks ridiculing women as too weak and helpless to entrust with the vote. In 1864, she was invited to the White House, where President Abraham Lincoln personally received her. Later she served as a counselor for the National Freedman's Relief Association, retiring in 1875 to Battle Creek, Michigan.

Ida B. Wells (1862 - 1931)
Ida B. Wells was a journalist, advocate for civil rights and an anti-lynching crusader. She was born in Springfield, Mississippi and helped to found the National Association of Colored Women in 1896 and the Negro Fellowship League. She worked with the white Republicans who started the National Association for the Advancement for Colored People on February 12, 1909.

Mary Terrell (1863 - 1954)
Mary Terrell was a civil rights pioneer and lifelong political activist who fought for equal rights for African American women. Terrell was born in Memphis, Tennessee in 1863. Both her

parents were former slaves, but her father became very successful in real estate, making it possible for her to have a privileged childhood. In 1884 she graduated from Oberlin College and in 1886 began teaching in Washington's M Street High School (later known as Dunbar High School). She her husband, Robert Terrell, Washington's first black judge, were the second black family to move into LeDroit Park in 1894.



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PRESIDENT OBAMA ADVOCATES CUTTING SOCIAL SECURITY TO HELP WORKERS BUY GASOLINE

On Tuesday, February 14, President Obama listed rising gas prices as among the many reasons to extend the payroll tax cut. The President said that the \$40 per paycheck the average American would get if the tax cut is extended at the end of February will help offset the rising cost of gasoline.

The payroll tax funds Social Security. Cutting the tax will reduce funding to Social Security by \$119 billion over the next year, on top of the \$105 billion reduced from funding by the payroll tax cut in 2011.

While Republican lawmakers

have expressed plans to vote for a full-year extension to the tax cut, President Obama told his audience Tuesday at the Eisenhower Executive Office Building in Washington that they must put pressure on Congress.

When President Obama entered the White House in January 2009, the city average price for one gallon of regular unleaded

gasoline was \$1.79, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The figures are in nominal dollars: not adjusted for inflation. Five months later in June, unleaded gasoline was \$2.26 per gallon, an increase of 26 percent. By December 2011, the price of regular unleaded gas per gallon was \$3.28, an 83 percent increase from January 2009.



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Your membership in Republicans of River City provides you a monthly newsletter, speakers, and an outstanding opportunity to meet your elected officials and California's finest political strategists. River City is also a great way to network and make new friends.

I am a registered Republican and would like to join Republicans of River City.

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_____ Regular Membership: enclosed is my check for \$25
(Young Professionals 18-25 \$15 per person)

_____ Couples Membership: enclosed is our check for \$40

Signature _____

Date _____

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