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Bruce Brown

Sees a Need and Seeks to Fill It

Mr. Brown started the Conservative Movement recently to change the political paradigm to a positive, principled message of a society that stands for the honor and forethought that people yearn for. Conservative principles are the essence of humanity in providing opportunity for every single individual and the left cannot win a fight against Conservative principles.

The Conservative Movement has a pro-active, grass roots strategy to turn California back to conservative behavior and the nation will follow. There is a clear vacuum of leadership present as most party members seem to be calling for new leaders and strategies. Conservative Movement was started for this very purpose - new leadership for the 21st Century.

To grow market share, we need converts, not losers. Our message will attract "party undeclared" voters (empowering "moderates" is just silly), the salvageable Democrats, unite Republican Fiscals and Socials and restore the Republican Party for a generation because we are about effective governing. THAT is the change people clamor for!



K. Bruce Brown

Mr. Brown's background is in technical sales management for all aspects of the industrial marketplace – technology, power, petrochemical, aerospace, manufacturing and agricultural processing. Mr. Brown has 20 years corporate business experience with Turbodyne and Raychem Corporations, holding numerous senior corporate sales and marketing positions plus he has 13 years at the head of his own consulting, publishing and real estate development companies.

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From the President's Desk----

Brenda Montaine

Happy 2009 New Year Greetings from
your
Southern California Republican Women
and Men President!

The SCRW&M executive board
would like to wish all our members and
friends a happy and prosperous 2009.
We hope that you have had a healthy

holiday season.

Thank you to everyone who attended our December luncheon. Your attendance and participation were especially lively and thoughtful making for an exceptionally pleasant meeting. Special thanks to Judge Marlene Kristovich for presiding over our swearing in ceremony. Thank you to everyone who has already renewed their membership for 2009. Our political activism this year will include club position papers. Each forum we will choose a "hot topic", take a position on the topic, mail our SCRW&M position paper to the appropriate politician, and post the correspondence at our website. Any member who is published stating this chosen topic in at least a weekly publication can bring in a copy of the article for \$5 off their lunch. For those who missed it, the December forum produced the hot topic club position that **GLOBAL WARMING IS NOT A CALIFORNIA STATE ISSUE**. We reached consensus that the membership of SCRW&M were opposed to the potential cost that we believe unnecessary Global Warming regulations would pass on to the people of California.

Please make note that to accommodate holidays and events in 2009; we will have our 2009 luncheon meetings on a few **first** and mostly **second** Saturdays. January 10th, is a second Saturday luncheon. Hope to see you then.

For 2009 the executive board is challenging the membership of SCRW&M to not only vote and join us for our monthly luncheons, but to state the message of the Republican Party clearly and often. Republicans have a

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Dear Congress Person,

There are two central questions as regards the issue of global warming. First, is it occurring as a result of human activity? Second, if it is occurring, what should be done about it?

On the first question, the essence of real science is to question and test new theories--and the theory of global warming, no matter what its fervent advocates may claim, is not settled science. The quest for the truth, regardless of its popularity or trendiness, demands that data continue to be gathered and studied, challenged and tested. History is replete with examples of "scientific facts," loudly declared as true by--yes, scientists, of their time--which, some decades or centuries later, turned out to be--just dead wrong! The collection of data that is being used to advance the idea of man-made global warming is too recent to be uncritically accepted as truth. There are additionally some 650 recognized scientists who are opposed to the theory.

On the second question, if humanity is causing some gradual warming of the planet over time, what should be done about it--if anything? The advocates of global warming argue as follows: humanity has caused, and is causing, the earth to become warmer; this will raise sea levels and inflict many kinds of damage on the planet--so, let the entire world unite to reverse to undo all the effects of this human change to the world. The changes envisioned, to date, include using much less energy from the fossil fuels of coal, oil and natural gas and supplanting them with renewable, but costly, energy sources. The greater the change away from use of fossil fuels, the greater the cost--to all the average men and women of the world who happen to be alive today. Even if global warming is real, that does not mean that the people of the world have any duty to impoverish themselves, to make their lives harder and poorer, in order to satisfy the demands of those who wish to make their anti-warming crusade the supreme goal of all people.

Californians, Americans, and all the people of the world, are entitled to do their own cost-benefit analysis on this question. How much should people pay to reduce global warming? (Assuming its validity, for the sake of argument). Individual human beings have the right to assert their own interests. Perhaps many would rather wait and see if the sun and the earth's orbit about it are the driving force for climate change, rather than a slight increase of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, than to plunge themselves and all for whom they care into a poverty and a misery that would look dreadfully familiar to a medieval peasant. To keep our self-respect as free people, those Americans who don't care to go in the same direction as the stampeding herd of environmentalists have a duty to speak out.

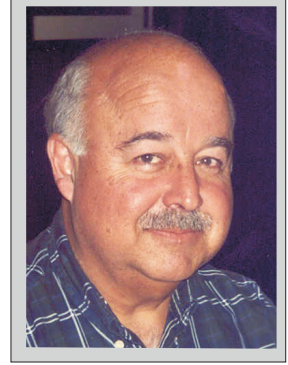
The United States is still a sovereign nation. Our Constitution does not appoint councils of scientists and environmentalists, or world-government advocates, or United Nations panels, however well-intentioned all of them may be, to control our destiny. That is still the right of each of us, and it is our duty to maintain it bravely.

It is therefore the position of the Southern California Republican Women and Men that the California State Budget cannot support what we believe to be unnecessary regulations and costs to the tax payers in the State in a time when the State is overwhelmed with debt. We hope that you will take appropriate action to keep unnecessary Global Warming issues out of our California regulations, fees, taxes, and budget.

Membership of Southern California Republican Women and Men.

Bill's Bills

What Will "Ahnolt" Do?



William Saracino

To get right to it, the bad news is that the Legislature is back in "regular" session. The good news is the '09 – '10 version of "Gypsies, Tramps & Thieves" hasn't been in session long enough to pass any bills, and likely won't actually send anything of import to the Governor's desk until March or so.

Don't breathe that sigh of relief yet though, as it is highly likely that between the time this is written (late December), and you read it, Governor Schwarzenegger will have completed his divorce from reality and signed a Democrat measure, passed out of a concurrently running "special session" of the Legislature, increasing taxes with a majority vote instead of the constitutionally mandated 2/3rds.

This should be the last straw for any Republican holding out hope that Schwarzenegger would be more than a sock-puppet for the tax and spend Democrats in the Legislature. Acknowledging that this is the journal of a Republican club, I have tried to be fair with "Ahnolt". After all, I voted for him all 3 times he was on the ballot. But his accepting tax increases on a majority vote not only is bad policy for today, but sets up California for an endless series of rapacious economic policies sponsored by the now unfettered liberal majorities.

The Governor has consciously shredded a long-standing part of California's governing fabric. He has purposely excreted on the clear meaning of our constitution in an abject surrender to spendthrift Democrats. I've missed voting in very few elections since my first one in 1972. My votes for the feeble minded-Austrian currently masquerading as our Governor are certainly the worst I've ever cast.

Let me make clear that this is my personal opinion only – I do not speak for the club. If there are members who support the Governor's action of raising taxes without the constitutionally mandated 2/3rd vote, I know SCRW&M would be happy to air those views in this forum.

In the meantime, next month's newsletter will give the opportunity to look back at just what the Governor did, the consequences of those actions to that point, and updates on other hi-jinks of the Sacramento Circus. And of course if the Governor does the unexpected and for some reason rejects the Democrat tax-increases, I can only quote from Saturday Night Live's Emily Latella, "Never Mind!"

SCRW&M members and Board of Directors wish to congratulate Tony Strickland on winning the 19th Senatorial District and Tom McClintock for winning the 4th Congressional District. And a special thanks to our members who supported their campaigns with contributions.

Forum Highlights, a report by Eldon Quick

“So,” Michael Lerew the Forum Moderator asked, “Now that a month has passed since Obama’s election, what do you think of him?”

The response made it clear Obama was not going to win any “Most Popular Presidential Candidate Award.” Frankly, as a group, we are quite concerned for the welfare of the United States under an Obama Presidency. His popularity among the Obamaniacs gives him enormous power, and such power in the hands of any President is dangerous. Think of Castro, Stalin, etc. Even after two years of campaigning, we still don’t know the man, or what his agenda is, other than “Hope”, “Change”, and “Tax breaks for 95% of the population”. (An impossibility, as any thinking person would know) We see dark days ahead on many issues, but maybe that gives Republicans an opportunity, for as things get worse we can blame it on the Democrats.



Eldon Quick

The next subject was the proposed bailouts of General Motors and Chrysler Automobile Companies. (Yes, “bailout”, not “loan”. A loan is something that is expected to be paid back.) We are not in favor of giving money to companies that cannot, under their present situations, survive. Organized reformation under Chapter 11 is the only way to go.

The recent terrorist attacks in Mumbai inspired comments on the “War on Terrorism” in general. “There will be no rest from Islamic Fundamentalist attacks until there is a reformation in Islam, as there was a reformation in Christianity”, one opined. It is going to be a long, long war and it seems only Republicans are aware of the danger. The Liberals are apologists for Islamic Fundamentalists; Europe is allowing itself to be Islamized; the recent Greek riots were organized and led by Muslims who traveled from city to city inciting protests. But, Bush’s plan to establish a Capitalist Democracy in Iraq and by example show the rest of the Muslim world another way to go, though going through terrible birth pain does at last begin to show promise.

Michael asked if we thought Obama would be able to deal with Islamic terrorists? The answer was not just “No,” but “Hell no!”

The subject of “Global Warming” came up and, not surprisingly, created a great deal of heat in the room. (I should be ashamed of myself for that sentence, but I’m not.) Global Warming miss-information is, many of us felt, one of the most threatening dangers to the economy of California, the United States and the World. The battle to get the truth out should be one of the primary goals of Conservative Republicans. We should point out that since 1998 the temperature increase has flat lined, and in recent years the world average temperature has begun to decline. This despite no reduction in carbon dioxide pollution in the atmosphere. The “Science” of man made global warming is far from settled. There are many reputable scientists that question the validity of the research and computer models GW advocates base their theories on.

Another ‘hot’ topic that came up was the coming battle over the so called “Fairness Doctrine. If anything can unite Conservatives and Republicans that should do it. The threat of eliminating Conservative ‘talk radio’ from the public discourse could be the last nail in the coffin of the Republican Party. It must be stopped. March, demonstrate, write letters, spend money, do what we have to, to preserve the last venue of free speech for Conservatives.

I see I’m running out of space here, but two more topics must be mentioned. One; be aware of the Obama plan to use and control the internet. The Government grants ‘band width’ to internet providers. It can use this power to control internet content by granting band width only to those who support the Party. This too must not be allowed to happen.

And finally; what, or who do we need to run against and defeat Barbara Boxer in the coming Senate election? It’s time to start thinking about that now. Would California Republicans support Larry Elder, or Kelsy Grammar?

Come join the fun at the famous, fabulous, friendly, forum, Saturday the 10th, 11:30 am.

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Great message including, 1. Defending our Nation, 2. Supporting our Heroes, and 3. Securing the Peace. We hope you join us to share what is important to you and learn more about our Republican platform which can be read online at

<http://www.gop.com/2008Platform/>.

"Our party embodies a uniquely American spirit. It is the spirit of independent minds, the conviction that open and honest debate is essential to the freedom we enjoy as Americans. This platform is a testament to that freedom and stands as our promise to future generations That we will do whatever it takes to preserve it. It is grounded on our heartfelt belief that our principles, our policies, and our vision will lead our American family, not just through present dangers, but to a horizon of prosperity and liberty mankind has only begun to explore."

- Congressman Kevin McCarthy and Senator Richard Burr in the 2008 Republican Platform Preamble



Notes from the Board

SCRW&M is embarking on an experiment to share with a larger community our thoughts and opinions on subjects of interest to the membership. To do this we will be publishing and mailing to appropriate individuals a monthly, or semi monthly, SCRW&M position paper. (For more information see, if you haven't already, the "Presidents Message" on page 2.) On page 5 of this issue is a draft version of our first letter or position paper. We are printing it in the Newsletter, before sending it, to give the whole membership a chance to review the idea and make suggestions on what would be the best format for presenting our views. We plan to have this position paper, in its final form, available as a downloadable page on our internet site,(scrwm.org.) The letter on page 5 is primarily the work of Michael Lerew with some suggestions by Brenda Montaine and editing by Eldon Quick. The planned recipients of this letter will be Republicans in the California State Legislature. Or, if anyone of you notices an article on Global Warming in a publication that prints letters to the editor, you can send it to them.

Because of the Holidays and Flu season, the Board did not have its usual meeting this month. But if we had, I'm sure we would be wishing all of you an active and prosperous 2009

Membership

Dues Due

Dues for membership as a member of the Southern California Republican Women and Men for the year 2009 are now due.

You may pay by mail to Bill Saracino, 3625 Angelus Ave. Glendale, CA. 91208. Or, bring a check to a meeting and give it to Brenda at the check-in-desk.

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