



***THE HEMET-SAN JACINTO CHAPTER  
OF THE  
CALIFORNIA CONGRESS OF REPUBLICANS***

***Invites you, your friends, and the  
Hemet San Jacinto Valley Republican Women's Club Federated  
to the annual***

***CHRISTMAS DINNER***

***AND***

***NOMINATION, ELECTION AND INSTALLATION  
OF 2024 OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS***

***BY***

***SENATOR ROSILICIE OCHOA-BOGH, SD23***

***THE ELKS LODGE  
1305 WEST FLORIDA  
HEMET***

***Monday, December 11, 2023  
Social at 6 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m.  
\$20 per person***

***Please RSVP by Thursday, December 7, 2023  
With***

***Joanne Dieleman at 951-663-7870 or Quiltersite2@yahoo.com***

***PLEASE BRING FOOD ITEMS  
FOR THE COMMUNITY PANTRY***



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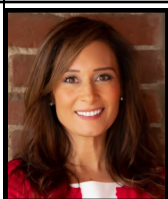
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## NOMINATION, ELECTION, AND INSTALLATION OF 2024 OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Monday, December 11, 2023 is the **Annual Christmas Event with nomination, election, and installation of the 2024 Officers and Board of Directors.** (See Nominating Committee Report on page 2.)

The **HSJCR** is honored to have Senator Rosilcie Ochoa-Bogh install the 2024 Officers and Board Members. **Senator Ochoa-Bogh** is a native Californian and the daughter of Mexican immigrants.

**Ochoa-Bogh** is a graduate of San Bernardino High School and the University of California, Santa Barbara. She worked towards her teaching credential at California State University, San Bernardino and taught English language learners at the elementary school level. She has been a realtor for 20 years. **Ochoa-Bogh** served on the Yucaipa-Calimesa Joint Unified School District board and is a former board President of the Yucaipa Valley Chamber of Commerce former board member of the East Valley Association of Realtors.

In November 2020, **Ochoa-Bogh** was elected to represent the nearly one million people of California's Senate District 23. The district includes ranges from Big Bear to Menefee and includes portions of both San Jacinto and Hemet.

She has been appointed vice chair of the committees on Education; Housing; Human Services; and Public Safety. She is also a member of the committees on Budget & Fiscal Review; Budget Subcommittee #1 on Education, Governmental Organization, Rules, Legislative Ethics and Joint Committee on Rules.

**Ochoa-Bogh** is a champion for stronger schools, lower taxes, better infrastructure, and more affordable home prices.

**Senator Ochoa-Bogh and Greg Bogh**, her husband of 26 years, live with their son, two daughters and a Cocker Spaniel named Penny in the city of Yucaipa.

## **HSJCR CHRISTMAS TRADITIONAL DONATION TO THE COMMUNITY PANTRY**

*As in past years, the Board is asking the membership to donate items to the Community Pantry. Non-perishable food items such as tuna, mac and cheese, any canned fruits and vegetables are welcome.*

*Bring your donation to the Christmas Event and the HSJCR Board will do the rest. Thanks in advance to the HSJCR members!*



## Meeting Information

The Hemet San Jacinto Congress of Republican's Christmas event is Monday, December 11, 2023, at **The Elks at 1305 West Florida, Hemet.** Check-in is 6 p.m. with the events starting at 6:30.

To reserve, contact Joanne at [quiltersite2@yahoo.com](mailto:quiltersite2@yahoo.com) or 951-663-7870. Please reserve by **December 7.**

If you reserve and are unable to attend, cancel with **Joanne.**

*If you do not state otherwise when making reservations, we will assume you are having dinner.*

"What I don't like about Christmas parties is looking for a job the next day."

Phyllis Diller

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## OPEN HOUSE

**State Senator Rosilcie Ochoa-Bogh:**  
Monday, December 4 from 6 to 8 p.m. at 1758 Orange Tree Lane #B, Redlands.



## HSJCR MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the **Hemet San Jacinto Congress of Republicans** is on an annual basis; dues are due in January. Thanks to all of you, **HSJCR** ended the year with 90 members.

In September/October, the **HSJCR** welcomed four new members: **Kenneth and Marie Miller** and **Dr. Larry and Sandy Hughes**. They are also the first four members of 2024!

Renewals are automatic for anyone reaching the magic number of 90 years.

**Bring your \$20 per single and \$35 per couple to the December Meeting or mail it to P.O. Box 304, San Jacinto, CA 92581, with the form on page 3.**



## HEMET SAN JACINTO VALLEY REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB FEDERATED

The **HSJVRWCF** is dark in December with the next scheduled meeting in January. More information will be in the January newsletter.

## HSJCR 2024 NOMINATED OFFICERS AND BOARD

**Robin Lowe**, Chair of the Nominating Committee, consisting of **Robin Lowe**, **Marcie Martinez**, **Charlene Stover**, and **Dale Dieleman** has the commitment of the following to serve as Officers and Board of Director Members:

President: **Norm Kyriss**  
VP Programs: **Dale Dieleman**  
VP Membership: **Robin Lowe**  
VP Liaison: **HSJVRWCF: Sharon Durbin**  
Secretary: **Joanne Dieleman**  
Treasurer: **Charlene Stover**  
Board Members: **Joe Cagliero**, **Taryn Cagliero**, **Dick English**, **William Frayer**, **Hugh Malone**, **Marcie Martinez**, **Keith Meissner**, and **Chuck Ruiz**.



I bought my kids a set of batteries for Christmas and a note on it saying, toys not included.

Bernard Manning



## REPUBLICAN PARTY OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY

The October 26, 2023 meeting of the RPRC was at the Elks Lodge in Riverside with **U.S. Senate Candidate Denice Gary-Pandol** and **Assemblyman Greg Wallis, 47AD** as speakers.

November 16 was the endorsement of candidates meeting. The meeting was closed during voting on endorsements.

The following is the endorsement results:

**Riverside City Council:** No Endorsement

**District 1 Board of Supervisors:** Debbie Walsh

**Assembly District 58:** Leticia Castillo

**Assembly District 60:** No Endorsement

**Senate District 31:** Move Endorsement vote to January.

**Congressional District 25:** Ian Weeks

**Congressional District 35:** No Endorsement.

Incumbents were endorsed at a previous meeting and they are: **Congress: Ken Calvert, 41CD; Young Kim, 40CD; Darrell Issa, 48CD** and **State Senate: Rosilicie Ochoa-Bogh, 23SD** and **State Assembly: Greg Wallis, 47AD; Bill Essayli, 63AD; and Kate Sanchez, 71AD.**

## RACES IN THE SAN JACINTO VALLEY

The races affecting the San Jacinto Valley with more than one Republican are: **CD 36 with Miguel Chappa, Ceci Truman, and Ian Weeks;** and the **AD 60 with Hector Diaz and Ron Edwards.**

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE President Tom Wilson

Happy Holiday to all,



I am so looking forward to seeing everyone at our annual Christmas Dinner on December 11 at the Elks Lodge in Hemet. Please remember to RSVP, of course! Also, please remember to bring non-perishable food for the Community Pantry.

Thank you to the 2023 Officers and the Board for their service as we will be installing new folks with the help of **Senator Rosilicie Ochoa-Bogh.**

There is so much to be thankful for in 2023 so let's all gather together on December 11 and celebrate! See you then.

President Tom.

## REAGAN DINNER

December 1 is the first annual **Reagan Dinner** at Monteleone Meadows. Thanks to **HSJCR** members who have reserved. It should be an interesting and exciting event with the keynote address by **Steve Hilton.**

Saturday was the last day to reserve; however, if you wish to attend, check with Charlene.

## DINNER COSTS

Unfortunately, the cost of living has hit the **HSJCR**. Due to the rising cost of food, utilities, etc., the Elks' caterer has had to raise his price. The cost of each meal to members for 2024 will be \$25. This will not affect the December dinner meeting.

## BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING NOTES

The Board of Directors met on November 27, 2023. Present were **President Tom Wilson**, **VP Programs Dale Dieleman**; **VP Membership Robin Lowe**, **Secretary Joanne Dieleman**, **Treasurer Charlene Stover**, **Board Members: Dick English, Norm Kyriss, Marcie Martinez, and Joe and Taryn Cagliero.** There was a quorum.

- ⇒ **Republican Women Federated** is dark in December.
- ⇒ **Senator Rosilicie Ochoa-Bogh** will install the Officers and Board at the December 11 **Christmas Event**. Members will be asked to bring non-perishable items for the Community Pantry to the December meeting.
- ⇒ **Robin Lowe** gave the Nominating Committee report.
- ⇒ Dinner cost for 2024 were discussed. **MSC** to raise the dinner price to \$25 as the cost has been raised at the Elks.
- ⇒ Dues will remain the same for 2024.
- ⇒ **Charlene and Joanne** will have a budget for the January meeting.





**HEMET-SAN JACINTO CONGRESS OF REPUBLICANS  
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2024 MEMBERSHIP FORM**

NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_  
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I AM A REGISTERED REPUBLICAN (SIGNATURE) \_\_\_\_\_

**DUES: \$20 PER PERSON/\$35 PER COUPLE  
AMOUNT ENCLOSED**

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Hemet San Jacinto Congress of Republicans**

**PLEASE CHECK COMMITTEE SELECTION:**

**WAYS AND MEANS  
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DINNER /HOUSE**

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### RECAP OF OCTOBER MEETING

The October meeting of the Hemet San Jacinto Congress of Republicans was called to order by **President Tom Wilson**. There were over 60 members and guests in attendance.

**Chad Schnitger, Republican Party of Riverside County**, gave an excellent presentation on getting out the vote. He gave an overview of the larger picture but had excellent small group suggestions:

Have a coffee for your neighbors/friends with candidates; call Republicans in your precinct urging them to return their ballots; offer to take ballots of neighbors/friends to ballot drop-off places. These are things that all of us can do and they do make a difference.

**Dale Dieleman and your Board of Directors can direct you and**

Reports were also given on Republican Women Federated; Republican Party of Riverside County; San Jacinto City Council; Hemet City Council.

### JEFFRIES JOURNAL

*First District Supervisor Kevin Jeffries*

The two (2) issues/complaints we hear about the most are traffic congestion (freeway parking lots) and the growing homeless challenge. Here is a summary of what we are doing now, I'll start with a few of the things that we are doing right on the issue:

1) The county has been very aggressive in prioritizing services for homeless veterans. We were one of the first agencies in the country to declare "functional zero" homeless veterans, meaning every homeless veteran who wanted assistance was receiving housing. That means almost anyone you see with a "help a homeless veteran" sign is either new to the area, has repeatedly refused assistance, or is lying.

2) We have been very successful in housing women with children. They have the other highest priority in our system, and it is very rare you will see a woman with children homeless on the streets. Odds are extremely good that if you see someone with kids panhandling, they are

grifters using their kids as marketing tools.

3) Unlike many major cities and regions, you almost never see permanent tent encampments on roads, sidewalks, and parks. Our law enforcement has been pretty good about not allowing them to get established in public rights of way.

4) The County is partnering more closely than ever with cities in coordinating efforts to provide services for those willing to accept them, including behavioral health interventions and major encampment events where multiple county agencies join with city agencies to clear impacted areas while offering services to those being displaced. One of the best examples of this is the Santa Ana River Bottom Collaborative, which has removed multiple tons of trash, removed dozens of cars, and assisted well over 100 residents of the river bottom.

That all being said, we struggle mightily with other parts of the crisis:

1) It can take years to clear an encampment off private property if we do not have a cooperative owner, as we must utilize the courts to take possession of the property and order a clean up. If we can't even identify the owner (due to death or unclear title), it can take even longer.

2) We can do very little about the zombie homeless that wander our sidewalks, stumble into our streets, and approach us while shopping or pumping gas. Simply

being intoxicated or high is really not a crime in California any more, and the loss of the ability to threaten imprisonment for petty thefts, vandalism, and trespassing has made it nearly impossible to force them into treatment in exchange for not going to jail.

3) Similarly, even the most obviously impaired/sick/comatose persons on the sidewalks largely can't be forced into treatment, as the state's definition of "gravely disabled" or a "danger to themselves or others" (5150) has been too strict to provide any meaningful way to get them into substance abuse or behavioral health treatment for more than overnight.

4) While cheaper than LA or OC or SD, the cost of housing continues to climb, and we have very few vacancies in the rental market, to the point where even those with Section 8 housing vouchers struggle to find housing they can actually afford. Building new "affordable housing" apartments can run well over \$500,000 per unit, and are politically very difficult to approve, as NIMBYs try to prevent "those people" from moving into their area. And given the first line of this column, it is hard to fault people for opposing a large apartment complex nearby when their local roads are already at a standstill.

(Potential changes in the law that MAY allow the county and cities to more effectively manage the homeless problems in our County will be in the January 2024 Newsletter)

### DATES TO CALENDAR

December 1: **Republican Party of Riverside County First Annual Reagan Dinner.**

December 11: **Hemet San Jacinto Congress of Republicans Christmas Event and Nomination, Election, and Installation of the 2024 Officers and Board of Directors at 6 p.m. at the Elks Lodge.**



**PEARL HARBOR**  
Sunday, December 7, 1941  
**DAY OF INFAMY**

December 7, 1941— a day that will live in History — the day that marked the United States' decision to enter WWII. There are fewer and fewer of Pearl Harbor survivors left to share their memories. Let's not forget what they endured.

The surprise attack took place on a peaceful Sunday morning of December 7, 1941 on the "paradise" island of Oahu. The time of the attack was a short or long two hours. The surprise military strike conducted by the Imperial Japanese Navy against the United States naval base at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii was a preventive action in order to keep the U.S. Pacific Fleet from interfering with military actions the Empire of Japan was planning in Southeast Asia.

The destruction in two hours was phenomenal. The base was attacked by 353 Japanese fighters, bombers and torpedo planes in two waves, launched from six aircraft carriers. All eight U.S. Navy battleships were damaged, with four being sunk. Of these eight damaged, two were raised, and with four repaired, six battleships returned to service later in the war. The Japanese also sank or damaged three cruisers, three destroyers, an anti-aircraft training ship, and one minelayer. There were 188 U.S. aircraft destroyed; 2,402 Americans were killed and 1,282 wounded.

Important base installations such as the power station, shipyard, maintenance, and fuel and torpedo storage facilities, as well as the submarine piers and headquarters building (also home of the intelligence section) were not attacked! The Pacific Fleet aircraft carriers remained intact.

Japanese losses were light: 29 aircraft and five midget submarines lost, and 65 servicemen killed or wounded. One Japanese sailor was captured.

The attack came as a profound shock to the American people and led directly to the American entry into World War II in both the Pacific and European theaters.

**QUOTABLE QUOTES**

Christmas can be celebrated in the school room with pine trees, tinsel, and reindeers, but there must be no mention of the man whose birthday is being celebrated. One wonders how a teacher would answer if a student asked why it was called Christmas."

President Ronald Reagan

"Christmas is a season not only of rejoicing but of reflection.

Sir Winston Churchill

"Maill your packages early so the post office can lose them in time for Christmas."

Johnny Carson

"I stopped believing in Santa Clause when I was six. Mother took me to see him in a department stores and he asked for my autograph.

Shirley Temple

**CHRISTMAS TRIVIA**

At Christmas, it is traditional to exchange kisses beneath the mistletoe tree. In ancient Scandinavia, mistletoe was associated with peace and friendship. That may account for the custom of "kissing beneath the mistletoe".

Listen to the song "Twelve Days of Christmas" and count the number of gifts in the song. You will realize that gifts were exchanged 364 times. Thus the gifts are exchanged every day of the year.

Noel is the word which is used in place of Christmas in France. The word was derived from the French phrase "les bonnes nouvelles" which means "the good news" and it refers to the gospel.

In the Ukraine, if you find a spider web in the house on Christmas morning, it is believed to be a harbinger of good luck! There once lived a woman so poor, says a Ukrainian folk tale, that she could not afford Christmas decorations for her family. One Christmas morning, she awoke to find that spiders had trimmed her children's tree with their webs. When the morning sun shone on them, the webs turned silver and gold. An artificial spider and web are often included in the decorations on Ukrainian Christmas trees.

The candy cane was invented in the late 1600's by a German choirmaster, who wanted to keep the children at his Christmas services quiet. Originally, these were straight sticks of sugar candy, but the choirmaster made them in the shape of a shepherd's staff as a homage to the season.

In the Czech Republic, unmarried women stand by a door and throw a shoe over their shoulder. If the toe is pointing towards the door when it lands, they will get married within the next year.



*The Hemet San Jacinto Congress of Republicans  
Board of Directors wish you and yours  
A Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year*

**TRIVIA???**

The microwave was invented after a researcher walked by a radar tube and a chocolate bar melted in his pocket.

No word in the English language rhymes with month, orange, silver, or purple.

"Stewardesses" is the longest word typed with only the left hand and "lollipop" with the right.

The words 'racecar,' 'kayak' and 'level' are the same whether they are read left to right or right to left (palindromes).

Tigers have striped skin, not just striped fur.

The winter of 1932 was so cold that Niagara Falls froze completely solid.