



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

*Invites you and your friends*

***FEBRUARY 26, 2024  
MEETING***

*OF THE*

***Hemet San Jacinto  
Congress of Republicans***

***Confirmed Guest Speaker  
JEFF GONZALEZ, CANDIDATE FOR 36AD***

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

***Monday, February 26, 2024  
Social at 6 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m.  
\$20 per person***

***Please RSVP by Thursday, February 22, 2024  
With***

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



# HEMET-SAN JACINTO CONGRESS OF REPUBLICANS

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## JEFF GONZALEZ TO SPEAK

The Hemet San Jacinto Congress of Republicans February 26 meeting will host **Republican** assembly candidate, **Jeff Gonzalez**.

**Jeff** is a veteran Marine. He served four combat tours in Iraq and Afghanistan, and, after two decades of service, retired from the military and became a local pastor. Today, **Jeff** owns and operates three small businesses. **Jeff** is married and has four children. Three are adults and one is in his last year of high school. The oldest son is physically and mentally challenged and lives with **Jeff** and his wife.

Assemblymember Eduardo Garcia did not file for re-election, establishing Assembly District 36 as an open seat.

The **HSJCR** has extended an invitation to a representative of **Turning Point USA** to give a brief message on the organization.

March 5 Primary Candidates who are at the meeting will also be given time to speak.

## RPRC ELECTION

The members of the **Republican Party of Riverside County** are elected in the March Presidential Primary every four years. The members elected in the March Primary will take office in January at the **RPRC** Organization Meeting. **HSJCR** members will find these **HSJCR** members on the ballot: **Taryn Cagliero, Vinay Rao, Charlene Stover**. They ask for your vote!

There are six members elected from each Assembly District. The San Jacinto Valley has three Assembly District: the 36AD, the 47AD and the 60AD. **HSJCR** member **Taryn Cagliero** is a candidate with 7 others in the 36AD. Also in the 36AD are **Pam Levin and Billie Lee Smith** who, along with **Taryn**, have served the **RPRC** and are strong candidates. **Pam** is **RPRC** Secretary. **HSJCR** members running in the 47AD are **Vinay Rao and Charlene Stover**. Incumbents in the 47AD are **Grace Suchowski, Chad Schnitger, Vinay, Charlene, Doug Hassett and Joe Scarafone**. **Grace** is Vice Chair and **Chad** chairs the **GOTV** effort. **HSCR** Candidates in the 60AD are **Robin Lowe and Norm Kyriss**. They will not be on the ballot as there are only five candidates in the 60 AD.

Please consider these people when casting your vote.

## BALLOTS

Due to redistricting, there will be three different ballots for **HSJCR** members in the San Jacinto Valley. All will have U.S. Senate—**Steve Garvey**. Other Republican candidates on the ballots are: U.S. Rep 25CD, **Ian Weeks**; State Senate 19SD, **Rosilic Ochoa-Bogh**; Assembly 47AD, **Greg Wallis**; 60AD, **Hector Diaz and Ron Edwards**; 36AD **Jeff Gonzalez**.

## Meeting Information

The Hemet San Jacinto Congress of **Republican's** February meeting is Monday, February 26, 2024, 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 **February 22**.

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.*

*Please give guest's names when making reservations.*

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**VOTE! VOTE! VOTE!**  
*Republican candidates need your support in the primary. The goal is to have a Republican candidate to support in November.*

### HSJCR MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the **Hemet San Jacinto Congress of Republicans** is on an annual basis; dues are now due. The **HSJCR** has 48 members for 2024.

Renewals are automatic for anyone reaching the magic number of 90 years. The **HSJCR** has three in this category: **Ernie Spina, Aggie Kennedy, and JoAnn Von Wald.**

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

- +\*Sharon Durbin                      Cynthia Males
- +Dick English                        Joe Males
- Maureen English                Marilyn Olson
- Patsy Delducco                    Gale Slayton
- Michele Hoff-Nash              Tom Slayton
- Michael Hoff                      JoAnn Von Wald
- Sue Leuschen
- +Officers/Board Members
- \*Past President



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

The **HSJVRWCF** will meet **Thursday, February 15, 2024 at the Elks Lodge** in Hemet. Officers for 2024 were nominated in January and will be voted on at the February meeting.

The meeting is at 11 a.m. Please reserve with **Joanne Dieleman** at 951-663-7870 or [quiltersite2@yahoo.com](mailto:quiltersite2@yahoo.com)

### RECAP OF JANUARY MEETING

The first meeting of 2024 was held on a dark and stormy evening; however, it was well attended by over 50 individuals who weathered the storm.

Federal, state, and county candidates were invited to attend to state why they should be elected. Thanks to candidates **Hector Diaz and Ron Edwards, 60 AD; Ian Weeks, 25CD; and Jack Guerrero, 3rd Supervisor District.**

The members also heard reports from **Joe Males, Hemet Mayor; Linda Krupa, Hemet City Council; and Valerie VanDever, San Jacinto City Council.**



### REPUBLICAN PARTY OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY

The **Republican Party of Riverside County's** February meeting is at the Elks Lodge in Hemet on February 22. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. **Eric Early**, candidate for U.S. Senate is the guest speaker. Invited but not yet confirmed is a speaker on the Parental Rights Ballot Initiative. Guests are welcome.

On February 17, the **RPRC** and the **Lincoln Club of Coachella Valley** are sponsoring **Senator Rand Paul**. The cost is \$150. If you wish to attend and need additional information, contact **Charlene** at [c.stover.1997@gmail.com](mailto:c.stover.1997@gmail.com).

### CALIFORNIA CONGRESS OF REPUBLICANS

The **CCR**, the **HSJCR** parent organization, met via zoom on January 23 to endorse candidates for the March 5, 2024 Primary Election. Riverside County endorsed candidates are: **Steve Garvey, United States Senate; Ian Weeks, 25CD; Young Kim, 40CD; Ken Calvert, 41CD; Darrell Issa, 48CD; Rosilicie Ochoa Bogh, 19SD; Jeff Gonzalez, 36AD; Greg Wallis, 47AD; Leticia Castillo, 58AD; Bill Essayli, 63AD; and Kate Sanchez, 71AD.**

**HSJCR** had seven voting delegates on the Zoom meeting. **Denice Gary-Pandol and Eric Early** both spoke. **Steve Garvey's** representative spoke on his behalf.

In 45BC, the first Leap Day is recognized by proclamation of Julius Caesar.

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE President Norm Kyriss Norm Kyriss, President Ballots, Bills, and Blue Skies.

Ballots should be in your hands now so complete and mail them in asap. If you wish, bring your ballot to the next meeting or delivery to the ROV. If you need help with your ballot, questions can be answered at that time.

February 16 is the last day for California Legislators to submit Bills; we expect many to fix California. Somehow, I believe taxing us and restricting our Freedoms will be the top priority of the legislature. We need to change the drift and focus on electing the right people to take back our state from this unreasonable bureaucracy.

The rain had a large impact on our last meeting; let's all hope for blue skies. Encourage your fellow Republicans to come to our meeting; let's try to increase our membership.

Lastly, we have candidates that are requesting our help, and we need to discuss how we can get involved. Please, be prepared to sign up to represent your neighborhood.

Norm Kyriss, President

### DINNER COSTS

Those who attended the January 22 meeting were pleasantly surprised when only charged \$20. Reason? Members have stepped up and sponsored the room cost of \$100 per meeting. January, February, and March are covered. By vote of the Board of Directors, this is a trial for three months.



### BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING NOTES

The Board of Directors met on February 5, 2024. Present were **President Norm Kyriss, VP Programs Dale Dieleman; VP Membership Robin Lowe, Treasurer Charlene Stover, Past President Tom Wilson; Board Members: Marcie Martinez, Chuck Ruiz, Sharon Durbin, Keith Meissner, and Joe and Taryn Cagliero.** There was a quorum.

- ⇒ **Republican Women Federated** will meet on Thursday, 15 to elect 2024 Officers.
- ⇒ The February 26 meeting's guest speaker is Jeff Gonzalez, candidate for AD 36.
- ⇒ **Robin Lowe** will have a membership report at the next meeting.
- ⇒ Voted to defray dinner costs with sponsorships for three months.
- ⇒ Brad Dacus, Pacific Institute, is confirmed for the March Meeting.
- ⇒ The 2024 budget was presented and approved.



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

NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

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

**DUES: \$20 PER PERSON/\$35 PER COUPLE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Hemet San Jacinto Congress of Republicans**  
**AMOUNT ENCLOSED**

**PLEASE CHECK COMMITTEE SELECTION:**

<b>WAYS AND MEANS</b>	<b>PUBLICITY</b>	<b>PHONE TREE</b>
<b>SPECIAL EVENTS</b>	<b>MEMBERSHIP</b>	<b>BY-LAWS</b>
<b>DINNER /HOUSE</b>	<b>VOTER REGISTRATION</b>	

**SEND MEMBERSHIP TO: ROBIN LOWE** \_\_\_\_\_ **Please e-mail my newsletter.**  
**P.O. BOX 304** \_\_\_\_\_ **Please**

**send my newsletter via U.S. Postal Service.**

**IMPORTANT ELECTION DATES**

2/5: Ballots are dropped. First date to vote via mail in ballot.  
 2/20: Voter registration deadline  
 2/24-3/5: Vote in-person at any of the 4-day or 11-day Vote Centers.  
 3/5: Election Day! Last day to mail in ballots. Must be postmarked 3/5 and received by 3/12. Vote in person at any Vote Center or at the Registrar of Voters. Drop off ballots at Ballot Drop-off locations, Vote Centers and ROV open from 7 a.m.-8 p.m.

**VOTE CENTERS**

The following Vote Centers are open in Hemet from 2/2-2/4, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and 3/5 from 7 a.m.-8 p.m.: Calvary Chapel, 26121 Hemet Street; Hemet DPSS, 541 San Jacinto Street; Hemet Library, 300 E. Latham; seven Hills Members Club, 3050 Jacaranda Way; Sierra Dawn Club-house No.2, 161 Santa Paula Drive; Tahquitz High School, 4425 Titan Trail; Valle Vista Community Center, 43935 Acacia.  
 San Jacinto Vote Centers are open the same hours as Hemet at the following locations: San Jacinto Community Center, 625 S. Pico Avenue; SJ Valley Animal Campus, 581 S. Grand Army; Valley Wide Recreation & Park District, 901 W. Esplanade.

**JEFFRIES JOURNAL**

*First District Supervisor Kevin Jeffries*

**Is The Tax Ballot Measure coming?** If you have been following the actions of the (independent) Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC), then you have an inkling that a new Riverside County sales tax proposal is swirling around waiting for the RCTC commission (1 rep from each city and all 5 county supervisors) to decide if the November 2024 ballot will contain a proposed sales tax increase to help fund freeway and highway improvements (and a bunch of other related items). To learn a little more about the proposal, look at The Press Enterprise article linked here

<https://www.pressenterprise.com/2024/01/19/riverside-county-voters-could-be-asked-to-tax-themselves-for-better-roads/>

**FROM THE DESK OF CHUCK WASHINGTON**

*Third District Supervisor Chuck Washington*

**Third District Seeks General Plan Advisory Committee Applicants**

The Riverside County Board of Supervisors has officially approved the 2024 Foundation General Plan Amendment (FGPA) cycle. The County is now accepting submissions from property owners for the FGPA, offering a two-month window for interested parties to request changes or exceptions to the County General Plan. Submissions will remain open until Friday, April 5, 2024.

The Planning Department has requested that each district nominate a representative for the General Plan Advisory Committee (GPAC) to prepare for this cycle. Eligible candidates are those with experience in fields related to land use, such as construction, real estate, landscaping, or civil engineering. Committee members must reside in the unincorporated areas of Riverside County, excluding those who live within city limits.

In the Third District, unincorporated communities include Anza, Aguanga, East (continued in Column 3)

(continued from column 2)

Hemet, French Valley, Green Acres, Homeland, Lake Riverside, Romoland, Sage, South Valle Vista and Winchester. The aim is to establish the GPAC by the end of February to begin deliberations on the submissions. The GPAC will conduct in-person meetings with virtual traveling constraints.

The GPAC will conduct in-person meetings with virtual accommodations for those who face traveling constraints.

For more information on this process, please [visit our website](#). To apply, please [click here](#) and submit the completed application to [JaAguilar@rivco.org](mailto:JaAguilar@rivco.org) by February 23.

“I hope I shall possess firmness and virtue enough to maintain what I consider the most enviable of all titles, the character of an honest man.”

“If freedom of speech is taken away, then dumb and silent we may be led, like sheep to the slaughter.”

President George Washington

**DATES TO CALENDAR**

February 6:  
 February 12:  
 February 14:  
 February 14:

**President Reagan’s Birthday**  
**President Lincoln’s Birthday**  
**Valentine’s Day**



February 15:

Greater San Jacinto Valley Chamber of Commerce

“Paint and Sip” at Golden Era clubhouse, RSVP on website: [www.gsjvchamberofcommerce.com](http://www.gsjvchamberofcommerce.com)

**Hemet San Jacinto Valley Republican Women’s Club Federated** meeting at the Elks Lodge at 11 a.m.

February 22:  
 February 22:

Note change of day to Thursday.

**President Washington’s Birthday**

**Republican Party of Riverside County Meeting** at the Elks Lodge in Hemet at 6:30 p.m.

February 26:

**Hemet San Jacinto Congress of Republicans General Membership Meeting with Social** at 6 and dinner at 6:30.

February 28:

**Hemet San Jacinto Valley chamber of Commerce Mixer** at Hacienda Senior Living, 161 North Hemet Street at 5:30 p.m.

## WHAT WE BELIEVE

*We're fortunate to live in America. The Republican Party believes that the United States of America has been blessed with a unique set of individual rights and freedoms available to all.*

*You can be what you are, and become what you are capable of becoming. The Republican Party is inspired by the power and ingenuity of the individual to succeed through hard work, family support and self-discipline.*

*Helping those around you is worthwhile. Republican party believes in the value of voluntary giving and community support over taxations and forced redistribution.*

*Small government is a better government for the people. The Republican Party, like our nation's founders, believes that government must be limited so that it never becomes powerful enough to infringe on the rights of individuals.*

*You know what to do with your money better than government. The Republican Party supports low taxes because individuals know best how to make their own economic and charitable choices.*

*Free markets keep people free. The Republican Party is supportive of logical business regulations that encourage entrepreneurs to start more businesses so more individuals can enjoy the satisfaction of self-made success.*

*Our armed forces defend and protect our democracy. The Republican Party is committed to preserving our national strength while working to extend peace, freedom and human rights throughout the world.*

## FEBRUARY—BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Black History Month has its origin in 19th Century celebrations of **Lincoln's** Birthday by African-American communities in the United States. By the early 20th Century, black communities were annually celebrating Lincoln's birthday in conjunction with the birthday of former slave and abolitionist Frederick Douglass on February 14.

The precursor to Black History Month was created in 1926 when historian Carter G. Woodson and the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History announced that the second week of February would be "Negro History Week" to coincide with the commemorations of both men's birthdays.

## FEBRUARY DATES

**February 3, 1870** - The 15th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified, guaranteeing the right of citizens to vote, regardless of race, color, or previous condition of servitude.

**February 3, 1913** - The 16th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified, granting Congress the authority to collect income taxes.

**February 14, 1929** - The St. Valentine's Day massacre occurred in Chicago as seven members of the Bugs Moran gang were gunned down by five of Al Capone's mobsters posing as police.

## QUOTABLE QUOTES

"Government's first duty is to protect the people, not run their lives."

President Ronald Reagan

"I think the best possible social program is a job."

President Ronald Reagan

"The American people are not undertaxed, the government in Washington is overfed."

President Ronald Reagan

"You can fool all the people some of the time, and some of the people all the time, but you cannot fool all the people all the time."

President Abraham Lincoln



"You can tell the greatness of a man by what makes him angry."

President Abraham Lincoln

"It is better to offer no excuse than a bad one."

President George Washington

"It is better to be alone than in bad company."

President George Washington

## TRIVIA???

"I don't think just because you were not born in this country, you are qualified for any special loan programs, government-sponsored bank loans or tax breaks, etc.."

Andy Rooney

"It doesn't take a whole village to raise a child right, but it does take a parent to stand up to the kid; and smack their little behinds when necessary, and say 'NO!'"

Andy Rooney

I voted democrat because I think it's better to pay billions for oil to people who hate us, but not drill our own because it might upset some endangered beetle, gopher, or fish here in America. We don't care about the beetles, gophers, or fish in those other countries."

## PUNS

The fattest knight at king Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference. He acquired his size from too much pi.

I thought I saw an eye-doctor on an Alaskan island, but it turned out to be an optical Aleutian.

She was only a whiskey-maker, but he loved her still.

A dog gave birth to puppies near the road and was cited for

