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VETERANS' DAY
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VOTERS TAKE HEED, DON'T BE MISLED

John Garamendi is attempting to mislead voters (many would say he's lying) about David Harmer. As only one example, his campaign is making phone calls in Rossmoor saying Harmer wants "to privatize social security," implying Harmer wants to take away your social security checks. This is absolutely false and Garamendi knows it.

People are getting wise to Garamendi, Harmer is surging in the polls, and Garamendi is running desperate ads trying to mislead voters. If you like a career politician who will do and say **anything** to get elected, Garamendi is your man.

For years and years Garamendi has been a key player in Sacramento government. If you like the total mess we have in Sacramento, by all means send Garamendi to Washington.

Garamendi will be a reliable rubber stamp for Nancy Pelosi. If you like that idea, vote for Garamendi.

As a lifelong professional politician, John Garamendi runs for whatever office is open he thinks he can win. When his plan to run for Governor fell flat, he flip-flopped to run in a Congressional district where he doesn't even live (but where voter registration numbers favor a Democrat).

If you like professional carpetbaggers as elected officials, Garamendi is your man. David Harmer is an independent businessman. He is a longtime resident of the district who lives in San Ramon.

John Garamendi never met a tax he didn't like. He has supported higher income taxes "without apology", called for a dramatic increase in property taxes, and said the state's record setting, \$37 billion tax increases "fall short of the need." (Calitics, 2/13/09) David Harmer says No Tax Hikes. Grow Jobs, Not Government.

DAVID HARMER IS OUR MAN.

VOTE FOR DAVID HARMER
Your vote counts. Let's don't lose this election by one vote.

See Page 2 for Information on November's Exciting Speaker



John R. Graham,
Director, Health Care Studies
Pacific Research Institute

NOVEMBER DINNER MEETING: The Thousand-Page Prescription: Is a Federal Take-Over the Cure for America's Health Crisis?

This month we are going to have yet another outstanding speaker on a crucially important topic.

Congress and the President are considering legislation that will fundamentally change the role of the federal government in controlling Americans' access to medical services. Among other consequences, this "reform" will affect individuals' and businesses' legal rights, medical innovation, economic growth, federalism, and physicians' ability to practice medicine.

John R. Graham has studied the role of government intervention in health environments as diverse as Switzerland and San Francisco (where the mayor holds his Healthy San Francisco plan up as a model for national reform). As well as describing the consequences of the health reform proposed by President Obama and the majority in Congress, Graham will describe an alternative vision that costs less, buys more, and relies on individual choice rather than government power.

Graham is Director of Health Care Studies at the Pacific Research Institute, a nationally prominent conservative think tank in San Francisco. He is the author of the *U.S. Index of Health Ownership*, the only project to rank all 50 states' health laws and regulations according to free-market principles; and he is the editor of a book addressing *What States Can Do to Reform Health Care: A Free Market Primer*, to which he contributed a chapter on pharmaceutical cost containment.

He is also the primary author of the monthly *Health Policy Prescriptions* series, which addresses

national health reform, and contributes to Pacific Research Institute's *Capital Ideas* series of short articles on public policy in California. He has written numerous articles covering diverse topics within health policy for periodicals including the *Wall Street Journal* and the *Washington Post*. He blogs frequently at *Free American Health Care* and *State House Call*.

Mr. Graham is a sought-after speaker who distills complicated legislative issues and political shenanigans into understandable and entertaining remarks. Graham speaks frequently on health care reform on radio and television, and at conferences in the United States, Canada, and Europe.

He has also worked as a management consultant and investment banker in Canada and Europe and has previously served as an infantry officer in the Canadian Army in Canada, Germany, and Cyprus.

A native of Canada, Graham received his M.B.A. from the London Business School (England) and his B.A. (with Honors) in economics and commerce from the Royal Military College of Canada.

For computer users, Graham may be followed at [johnrgraham](#) on Twitter.

John and his wife, Elisabeth, live in Marin County.

A dinner reservation form is included in this Republican. It must be returned by noon, Friday, November 6.

Thanks to Rossmoor Republicans, Treats for Troops a Great Success

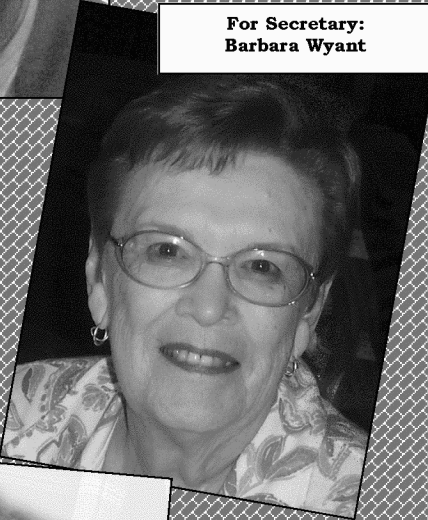
According to RCR Board member, Devon Olson, this year's Treats for Troops drive was an enormous success. In addition to donations of all kinds of goods, the drive raised \$3,500 in cash, which will be of great assistance in postage and meeting other necessary expenses. While this was a Rossmoor-wide effort, the Republican Club played a leadership role. To those of you who participated, we give our heartfelt appreciation. November 11 is Veterans Day and our young men and women are serving in harm's way in far-flung locations around the world. We cannot do enough for them and for their families from whom they are separated. **Thank you again for your support for this important program.**

2010 Slate of Officers

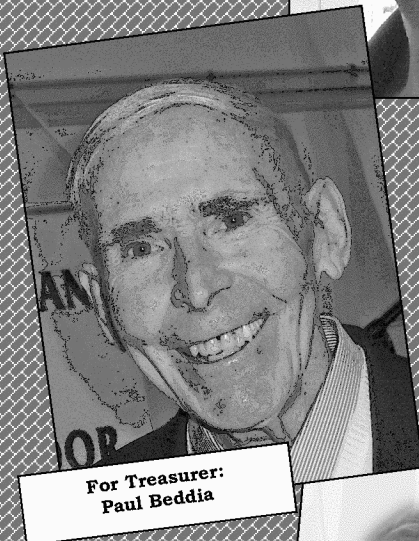
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JOIN US!

Simply call Shirley Strong at 933-8699. She will handle all of the steps needed to make you a full member of the Republican Club of Rossmoor. Annual dues are \$15 per person; \$25 per couple.

**A WARM REPUBLICAN
CLUB WELCOME
TO OUR NEW MEMBERS**

Lilli Bollinger

Antonia Lowe

*Catherine "Tat"
Welcome*

Club Calendar

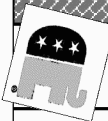
Ambassadors, Tuesday, November 10, 11 AM,
Ivy Room, Dollar Clubhouse

Dinner Meeting, Wednesday, November 11, 5:15 PM,
Fireside Room, Gateway

Board Meeting, Monday, November 16, 1 PM,
Garden Room, Dollar Clubhouse

Program Committee, Monday, November 16, 2 PM
Garden Room, Dollar Clubhouse

Issues Committee, Friday, November 27, 10:00 AM,
Ivy Room, Dollar Clubhouse



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NOVEMBER DINNER MEETING

Wednesday, November 11, 2009, Fireside Room, Gateway

5:15 pm Social Time, 6:00 pm Dinner

THERE WILL BE A HOSTED WINE AND BEER BAR

Menu

**Roast Turkey with Dressing, Gravy and Cranberry Sauce
Garden Peas with Pearl Onions and Garlic Mashed Potatoes
Fresh Garden Salad with Croutons
Vegetarian Entrée: Lasagna**

**Pumpkin Pie
Decaf Coffee or Hot Tea**

Reservation deadline: Noon, Friday, November 6

Reservation questions: Call 947-5878