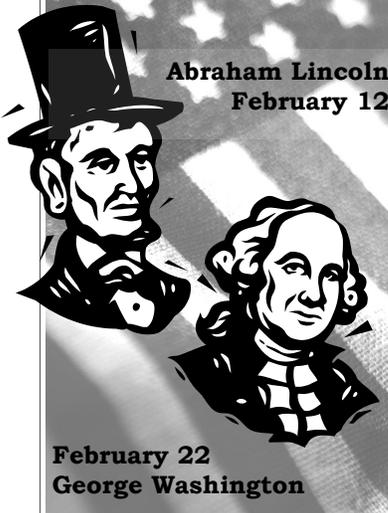


# The Rossmoor Republican

February 2013

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 February 12

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## In a World of Good Intentions Gone Bad, Whither Goest America?

Our speaker for February is a man of many talents, chief among them his sense of where America is headed. Bob Zeidman's latest book, "Good Intentions", is about a future United States that has become the ultimate Nanny State. Bob feels that our country is at a crucial decision point — whether to continue to be a beacon of liberty and freedom by acknowledging each individual's right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, or whether it will choose a different direction toward central government control, wealth redistribution, and the subjugation of individual rights in order to create "equality".

Bob Zeidman was born in Philadelphia on January 18, 1960. He studied Physics and Electrical Engineering at Cornell University, Electrical Engineering at Stanford University, and Film Making at De Anza College. He has founded several successful high-tech firms and currently runs Zeidman Consulting, a premiere contract research and development firm in Silicon Valley, as well as Software Analysis and Forensic Engineering Corporation, the leading provider of software intellectual property analysis tools.

Bob holds numerous patents and is considered a pioneer in the field of analyzing software source code. He has worked on and testified as an expert in



**Bob Zeidman**

cases involving billions of dollars in disputed intellectual property.

Not content to focus exclusively on science, Bob has also written three award-winning novels and three award-winning screenplays. He was awarded a 1999 Opus Magnum Discovery Award from the Hollywood Film Festival where he walked down the red carpet with celebrities like John Voight, Martin Landau, Harrison Ford, and Cameron Diaz.

In "Good Intentions" Bob becomes a reluctant adventurer to discover what America is really about and how to get it back to its core values. The question is whether America has reached the tipping point and can or cannot be rescued from its drift toward government and group entitlements.

Bob is married to Carrie Zeidman, an internationally known artist. They live in the hills overlooking Silicon Valley. As part of his presentation, Bob will actually read from his novel, "Good Intentions". Copies of his book will be on sale at the meeting.

**A blue dinner reservation form for February 13 is included in this issue of the Republican. The form MUST be returned by noon, Friday, February 8. Reservation questions: 937-0125**



# A Club Perspective

## ...President Mary Hufford

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Club President for 2013. I want to focus my attention and efforts on continuing and improving the smooth running of our Club, now having over 320 member households.

Many members contribute to the successful running of our Club, and I encourage more of you to become involved. To that end, please consider joining and/or volunteering in one or more of these activities and sub-groups within the Club.

- ◆ **Ambassadors.** The Ambassadors are a group of member volunteers who handle all preparations prior to and during our dinner meetings and whose efforts contribute greatly to the success of our monthly events. This includes reservations and table assignments; table layout and decorations; telephone reminders; greeting and reception table; song leading; setting up and tending the bar; and the monthly raffle. Ambassadors always welcome additional help. Currently there is a need for help with greeting our guests at dinner meetings. Pam Parsons is our Vice President and Ambassadors Chairperson. For more information or to offer your help, contact Pam at [jparfamily@comcast.net](mailto:jparfamily@comcast.net) or at [925-831-1808](tel:925-831-1808).
- ◆ **Issues Committee.** The Issues Committee is an important political arm of our Club. The Committee identifies issues on which the Club should take a public position or an action and recommends these to the Board. These recommendations must be supported by facts and analysis which requires the Committee members to roll up their sleeves and fully develop an issue before making a recommendation. Like Uncle Sam, the Issues Committee wants you. To participate, or just to attend a get-acquainted meeting, contact Walt Straub at [rossmoorwalt@gmail.com](mailto:rossmoorwalt@gmail.com).
- ◆ **Discussion Group.** The Discussion Group offers a venue for those who are interested in political discussion but do not wish to do the research and writing required of Issues Committee members. This group is currently without a leader. If you are interested in participating in this group contact me.
- ◆ **Program.** Along with the Ambassadors, a key player in our monthly dinner events is Jean Meredith, the Program Chairperson. Jean identifies potential speakers and makes arrangements for their participation. To offer Jean your help, or just to recommend a potential speaker, contact Jean at [mmered@astound.net](mailto:mmered@astound.net) or 932-0179.
- ◆ **Directory.** Each year Devon Olson spearheads the publication of our membership directory, which is sent to all members. This effort is time consuming and requires meticulous proof-reading. If you would like to help Devon, contact him at 943-7905 or [devnoel@comcast.net](mailto:devnoel@comcast.net).
- ◆ **Newsletter.** Our communication lifeline is this newsletter, *The Rossmoor Republican*, published monthly by Tom and Peggy Fryer. Tom determines layout and content, writes articles, and edits the newsletter, while Peggy uses Microsoft Publisher to create the newsletter. In addition to this daunting effort, their task involves interaction with the commercial printer and labeling and mailing the finished product. If you have or would like to learn the skills to participate in this operation, contact Tom or Peggy at [peggy.fryer@gmail.com](mailto:peggy.fryer@gmail.com) or 947-5878.

Finally, a word about my use of this space in future issues of *The Rossmoor Republican*. Entering the relative quiet of a non-election year, we are aware that there is a very challenging list of issues that beg for resolution from our political leaders. I am delighted that Fran Cavanaugh, our past President, will help the Club focus on some of these difficult political issues. Since I do not have Fran's political savvy, I have asked our Publicity Chairman John Littig to help by writing political commentary on this page. From time to time I will have a Club message to convey on this page, but you will likely find John's commentary in this spot in most future issues. If you have suggestions for John, contact him at [jslittig@aol.com](mailto:jslittig@aol.com).

I look forward to meeting more of you at our monthly dinner meetings -- and I welcome your suggestions and ideas. I can be reached at 979-9611 or [hufford4@hotmail.com](mailto:hufford4@hotmail.com).



## Mark Your Calendar Now! Republican Club To Show Videos

On Wednesday, February 20, at 4pm, we are starting the presentation of a series of videos at Peacock Hall. These will be either documentaries or feature movies with political themes of particular interest to conservatives. All showings will be announced in the Rossmoor News. The February 20 video will be the 2004 ABC documentary *Ronald Reagan: An American Legend*. This film is about 70 minutes long and does not have language captions. John Littig, 256-8558, is coordinating these presentations.

## New Officers Installed January 9

At the December 12 Dinner Meeting of the Republican Club of Rossmoor, the members present elected new officers for 2013. These officers were installed at the meeting of January 9.



Mary Hufford  
President

Pam Parsons  
Vice President



Bud Lake  
Treasurer

Barbara Wyant  
Secretary



## Club Secretary Passes

Our dear friend and longtime Club leader, Secretary Barbara Wyant passed away on January 16, 2013. Barbara was installed as re-elected Club Secretary and played the piano at the Club's meeting of January 9.

Barbara had been a Club leader for many years. She chaired the Discussion Group, which was a forum for those wishing to discuss current events from a conservative perspective. She served as Club Secretary for several years and was the Club's unofficial music director, since she selected the songs the Club sang, coordinated the song leader, and accompanied the Club singing on the piano. Barbara served as an Ambassador, greeting Club members each month and also handled dinner reservations for a period of time. Barbara's husband of 60 years, Richard, is also a Club member and served as Treasurer for a time. She was a dear and faithful friend and will be sorely missed.

## Club Calendar

**Ambassadors**, Tuesday, February 12, 11 AM,  
Room 4, Creekside

**Dinner Meeting**, Wednesday, February 13, 5:15 PM,  
Fireside Room, Gateway

**Board Meeting**, Monday, February 18, 1 PM,  
Room 4, Creekside

**Discussion Group**, In Recess  
**Issues Committee**, In Recess

## CLUB LEADERSHIP

### Elected Officers

Mary Hufford, President,  
979-9611

Pam Parsons, Vice President,  
831-1808

Secretary—Vacant

Bud Lake, Treasurer,  
934-2266

### Directors

Fran Cavanaugh, Immed. Past  
President, 945-7211

Tom Fryer, Editor *Republican*,  
947-5878

Vickie Hipkiss, Webmaster,  
933-5512

Pam Parsons, Ambassadors  
Jean Meredith, Programs,  
932-0719

Devon Olson, Asst. Treasurer  
and Historian/By-Laws,  
943-7905

Kathy Poling, Issues Comm.,  
472-0222

John Littig, Publicity,  
256-8558

Clair Weenig, Director at  
Large, 287-9795

Carol Worthington, Member-  
ship, 256-1313

### JOIN US!

Simply call Carol Worthington at 256-1313. 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.

### NEW MEMBERS

Caryl Adams  
Melvin & Diana Haas  
Charles and Febe  
Harrington  
Pat Hines  
Jo Malanowski  
Louis & Cecile Missud  
John and Donna Shaw  
Mary Ellen Smidebush

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## **FEBRUARY DINNER MENU**

**Wednesday, February 13, 2013, Fireside Room, Gateway**

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

**THERE WILL BE A HOSTED WINE, BEER AND SOFT DRINK BAR**

### **Menu**

**Caesar Salad**

**Grilled Chicken in Marsala Mushroom Sauce**

**Rice Pilaf and Peas with Pearl Onions**

**Vegetarian Option: Vegetarian Lasagna**

**Rolls and Butter**

**Red Velvet Cake**

**Decaf Coffee or Hot Tea**

**Reservation deadline: Noon, Friday, February 8**

**Reservation questions: Call 937-0125**