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MALIBU/BEL-AIR RWF INVITES YOU TO
LUNCH WITH
JANE BARNETT



Malibu/Bel-Air Republican Women Federated welcomes Jane Barnett, chairman of the Los Angeles County Republican Party, on Wednesday, April 20 for a luncheon at the beautiful Bel-Air Country Club.

As party chairman, Barnett oversees an area with 26 Assembly districts and dozens of other local offices. The party organizes voter registration, disseminates voter information and recruits appealing candidates. It aims to increase Republican voter registration and turnout.

Barnett has been a volunteer in the Burbank-Glendale area for more than two decades, fund-raising for non-profit charities, and planning events for the Los Angeles World Affairs Council.

She also has worked for the California Republican Party and in the state Assembly and Senate as a caseworker, secretary and legislative aide. In Washington, she raised funds for the Leadership Institute, Gopac and Freedom Alliance.

In addition to her duties as party chairman, Barnett runs a small business with her family. She has seven children.

Please note that the Bel-Air Country Club does not permit cellular telephones to be used on the premises. Also, Bel-Air Country Club will charge MBA-RWF for each no-show RSVP, so those who cannot make it will be responsible for \$45 each.

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JANE BARNETT
 LOS ANGELES COUNTY
 REPUBLICAN PARTY CHAIRMAN

DATE Wednesday, April 20
 TIME 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
 COST \$45, includes lunch (no-host bar)
 LOCATION Bel-Air Country Club (310) 472-9563
 10768 Bellagio Road
 Los Angeles 90077
 (across Sunset Boulevard from UCLA at Bel-Air's west gate)
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Patti Adair

Dear Republicans,

We had a busy month of March. Recently I had the opportunity to hear former Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld speak to a full house in Beverly Hills.

Mr. Rumsfeld was asked about the military's spending in relation to the deficit. First of all, he confirmed that "waste" does exist. He stated that the military's budget used to be on 17 pages. Now the budget goes on for hundreds of pages, which seems to be a direct correlation to the explosion in the number of staffers. But he did emphasize that under our president's leadership, Congress must address entitlement spending in order to get our country's fiscal house in order.

The turnout for radio host Michael Medved at Pepperdine was outstanding. We all are focused on winning back the White House next year. Michael had four points to win:

- * Be focused, not distracted.
- * Talk about policies, not personalities. (i.e., do not talk about Michelle Obama's weight. First Ladies are always very popular.)

- * Inspire, do not alarm. Talk optimism.

- * Addition, not subtraction. Per Ronald Reagan, make an effort to have a big tent.

We need to have a truce on "social issues." Please keep repeating that quietly to yourself.

The one issue most Americans can agree on is that we need to close our borders. While roughly three-quarters of illegal immigrants are from Latin America, the numbers from Asia are increasing rapidly. I was not aware of these facts.

Let's see if we can make California election results next year a pleasant surprise to the world and become a battleground state once again. We have no statewide elected Republican officials to lead us, so I am counting on each of you. You can make a difference.

Best,

Patti Adair

MEDVED DRAWS 100

By Ariana Anderson

About 100 people came to hear Seattle radio talk-show host Michael Medved speak to our club about the 2012 presidential election. Because he announced the event on his nationally syndicated program, many attended the March 10 event at Pepperdine University. Appetizers and beverages were served, and Medved signed and personalized his books for sale.

Medved quoted Indiana Gov. Mitch Daniels in suggesting that a "truce on social issues" may be necessary to win the 2012 presidential election. The average American would be alarmed to learn that February's \$222.5 billion deficit exceeded last February's record by nearly \$2 billion, and that the 2011 deficit will exceed 2009's record deficit of \$1.41 trillion. The federal government's spending spree needs to be a theme in the upcoming election, because the majority of Americans oppose large deficits and tax increases.

Medved argued the Republican party needs to be more pragmatic and inclusive in its membership. Although "Rino" (Republican in Name Only) is a term used for liberal Republicans by conservatives, there is no equivalent "Dino" term for a conservative Democrat. This is because Democrats understand that a conservative Democrat who votes with the party just a fraction of the time is better than a Republican who always votes against them. Sens. Olympia Snowe of Maine and Scott Brown of Massachusetts were the only Republicans who were electable in their states, and although they are less conservative than some would prefer, they still are more supportive of the Republican party than any Democrat who would otherwise hold their offices.

Finally, Medved argued that the George W. Bush presidency was a success for two reasons: Justice Scalia and Chief Justice Roberts. These appointments on the Supreme Court were far more important than any policy decisions made, and President Obama's recent appointments of Justices Sotomayor and Kagan did little to shift the balance of power because they replaced liberal justices. During the next presidential term, more moderate appointments likely will open, which will be crucial to establishing a strict constructionist (Constitutionalist) system. Because of this, the election in 2012 needs to be a focused argument on why the skyrocketing deficit and government spending are unsustainable.

MBA-RWF, Woodland Hills RWF and Pepperdine College Republicans were joint sponsors of the event.

HELP WANTED

Volunteers are needed to make telephone calls to register voters. Your help is vital to make the difference in 2012! For more information, contact Patti Adair at (310) 924-1846 or malibustudio@aol.com. We thank those already signed up:

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GRATEFUL SOLDIERS SAY THANKS!



Following MBA-RWF's January troop packing party, a number of soldiers sent thank-you notes and messages in gratitude for their care packages.

Cindy Linke, MBA-RWF's fourth vice president for Americanism, coordinated the Malibu event through Operation Interdependence. More than 100 volunteers assembled 2,500 care packages for deployed soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines. The packages were timed to arrive by Valentine's Day.

Cindy,

Thank you! I am hearing back from my friends in Iraq that they and their soldiers have received your care packages. I miss the visible signs of delight on the faces of soldiers when you hand them a care package, but you helped me get one step closer. Thanks again.

Chris

Your support for the Armed Forces of our great country is very much appreciated.

*You are too kind! To all of you who packed gifts for all the service members here in the Middle East and elsewhere: Thank you very much. I assure you when they set the boxes out and the troops get to grab a package, it means the world. You make us feel unforgotten. You remind us that we have a home there in the States and for all that's going on, we are all Americans. Everybody here appreciates your efforts. When we see a note that says, "Thank you, we love you, be safe," it brings smiles and feel-good feelings. God bless you.
A commander in Iraq*

Got the box today. Thank you! Will share it with all my soldier buddies, friends, co-workers. You guys are the greatest!

LTC Steve Alexander

Ms. Cindy Linke,

On behalf of my staff and the soliders of Camp Virginia, I would like to extend my sincerest gratitude for the care packages that you sent us via one of my duty managers.

Thank you and God bless!

Ernaní M. Lacson

Center Manager

USO Camp Virginia

Thank you very much for sending us the care box. It was a real nice surprise. I made sure that it got passed out to as many people as possible. Let me tell you, the soccer balls were a hit! Everyone here appreciates the support that your group gives to the military. It helps us feel like we are a little more connected to the U.S. when we're out here on the edge of civilization. Everyone wants to get back to the U.S. We have been in Afghanistan for about nine months so far, but we have a job to do.

Missing the world,

Thank you so much,

Lt. Ryan Porte

Thank you to all of you back home who are supporting us. On behalf of my troops, I just want to say thank you. Without you we would not be here with smiles on our faces.

**Captain Auguste Badiel
JSS Loyalty, Iraq**

2011 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY COMING SOON



A huge thank you to all who have renewed their 2011 memberships. Soon our new directory will be printed and ready to mail. We want to give those who still need to pay one last chance to do so. Please send in your form (available on the web site) and check by April 15.

If you think you have paid your dues but are not on the list below, or if you need a membership form, please contact one of the membership vice presidents.

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LOS ANGELES MAYORAL HOPEFUL AND VOTER REGISTRATION EXPERT TO ADDRESS MBA-RWF



Conservative radio host Kevin James, who is running for Los Angeles mayor in 2013, will address MBA-RWF May 11.

He will be joined by Kathy Howard, Los Angeles County Federation of Republican Women's Campaign and Precinct vice president.

Together, they will speak about the importance of getting organized to register Republican voters.

James hosts a talk show on KRLA-AM 870 focusing on local and national politics. Previously he was a federal prosecutor and entertainment lawyer. He is the only Republican so far to declare candidacy for the mayorship.



Howard has a long list of endeavors relating to community involvement and politics. She served as West Covina's mayor, on the city council and in the police department.

Winning elections requires skill at the basics of campaigning, most importantly an ambitious voter registration drive. Voter participation is the most important task we have before us in changing course locally, statewide and nationally. Our efforts now in engaging fellow citizens as Republicans in political life will make the difference in 2011, 2012, 2013 and beyond.



CALENDAR

Wednesday, April 20

- 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
- Los Angeles Republican Party Chairman Jane Barnett speaks to MBA-RWF at lunch
- Bel-Air Country Club, 10768 Bellagio Road, Los Angeles 90077; (310) 472-9563
- For more information, contact Sally Zamarin at (310) 457-3530 or ronssal@verizon.net
- Cost: \$45, includes lunch

Wednesday, May 11

- Time and location to be announced
- Kevin James and Kathy Howard to address MBA-RWF May event
- For more information, contact Mimi Frank at (310) 651-4610 or mimifrankart@yahoo.com

Tuesday, May 17

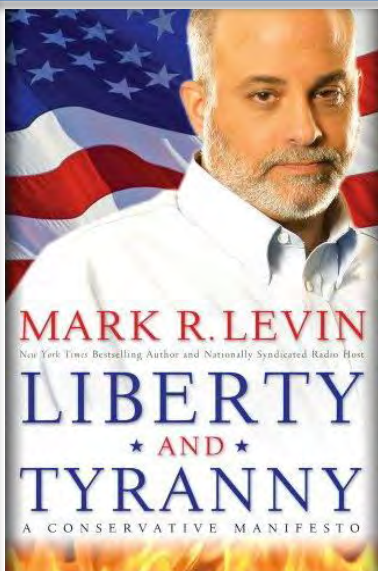
- Los Angeles municipal elections

Saturday, July 30 – Sunday, July 31

- 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Volunteers needed to staff MBA-RWF's booth at the 40th annual Malibu Arts Festival
- 23525 Civic Center Way, Malibu
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- Election Day



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"Those who are too smart to engage in politics are punished by being governed by those who are dumber."

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