



# ELEPHANT'S EAR



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UPCOMING...

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Women in the Republican party are buzzing with energy around key events, policy pushes, and grassroots mobilization. One of the highest stakes drive is for **Voter ID legislation** with calls for signatures to qualify it for the 2026 ballot and **opposing Prop 50** in the November 4 special election, seen as a threat to secure voting.

No on 50 is seen as a Democratic power grab that undermines California's nonpartisan redistricting model. It is now the 10<sup>th</sup> most expensive ballot measure in California history, with the Yes campaign raising over 61 million (including \$10 million from George Soros) and the No side over \$40 million (led by Republican donor Charles Munger Jr.).

October is here, and with ballots mailing out on October 7, now is the time to act decisively against Proposition 50 – a dangerous Democratic scheme that hands redistricting power back to Sacramento politicians, undermining the independent Citizens Redistricting Commission we fought so hard to establish. This isn't just about maps; it's about protecting your voice, ensuring competitive districts and keeping California the Golden State not the rigged state.

Let's mobilize now!

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## OCTOBER MEETING

Friday, October 10, 2025  
10:00 AM/doors open 9:30AM  
Fallbrook Mission Theater  
\$10 pp member/guest

Please RSVP to  
✉ [rsvp@rwcfallbrook.org](mailto:rsvp@rwcfallbrook.org) or  
[LCShrider@icloud.com](mailto:LCShrider@icloud.com)  
no later than 2 days prior



**NO 50**  
ON  
**DEFEND FAIR ELECTIONS**



See Page 6 to see how  
you can help

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**Vote NO on November 4:** and return your ballot securely (see Page 5 for tips provided by Ruth Weiss, Election Integrity Project - CA, Inc).

**Volunteer to Get Out the Vote:** Please join phone banking or letter writing drives to reach undecided voters.

**Donate to Fuel the Fight:** Every dollar counts for ads and mailers exposing Prop 50's flaws. Contribute securely at [secure.winred.com/California-republican-party/threatening to rig cd website](https://secure.winred.com/California-republican-party/threatening-to-rig-cd-website) – aim for \$25, \$50, or more to match the Yes side's big money push. ✨

**Spread the Word:** Share on your social media accounts. Together we, the Republican Women of California could be the backbone of a conservative resurgence. Let's flip this state RED! For petitions and updates: [reformcalifornia.org/cavoterid/sos.ca.gov](https://reformcalifornia.org/cavoterid/sos.ca.gov) (tracking #1984). ✨



Thank you for doing your part,

*Michelle Fitzgerald*  
President



## October Speaker

Submitted by **Christine Moosa**, Publicity

The mission of the **John Birch Society** is to secure and preserve the American Experiment of self-governance, to bring about less government, more responsibility, and – with God’s help – a better world by building understanding, encouraging active participation, providing leadership, education, and organized volunteer action in accordance with moral and Constitutional principles.

A native San Diegan, **Eli Komai** oversees the JBS operations in Southern California assisting the JBS volunteer network in accomplishing its long-term mission. Eli works to ensure that those who diligently seek “the whole truth” can attain a unified, shareable understanding of our American Experiment. Most often, this is done through literature, and the practical, actionable guide to COTUS: The Constitution is the Solution!, and by connecting people to useful tools such as The Freedom Index.



**Eli Komai**  
Southern California  
Field Coordinator for  
the **John Birch Society**



## October Birthdays

Submitted by **Orolie Gubser**, Corresponding Secretary

- 10/3 **Julia W.**
- 10/4 **Andrea T.**
- 10/10 **Sally M.**
- 10/10 **Joan N.**
- 10/13 **Jenny C.**
- 10/31 **Pauline V.**

# September



2.

We met at Rainbow Oaks Restaurant for our September Luncheon Social. The event brought together 21 members as we enjoyed delicious food and discussed current events. The get together was extra special as we met two MAGA friends who said the Pledge of Allegiance and sang the National Anthem with us! They even donated \$20 and said for us to keep up the good work! With their donation, our chapter collected \$230 altogether. Towards the end of the luncheon, I spotted a "NO on 50" sign so I'm happy to include a picture of it here.

Please be on the lookout for my Evite for our next Luncheon Social. As always, Thank You for your replies, both Yes' and No's. It is nice to hear from you and it is appreciated so much as it helps make my job of organizing go smoothly.

If you have questions or suggestions on the Socials, please don't hesitate to reach out to me at [ymilton@gmail.com](mailto:ymilton@gmail.com).



Warmest regards,  
**Young Milton**  
Ways and Means

1. Ruth Weiss of the Election Integrity Project CA, on the heels of returning from Washington DC, informed us of some strides made and hurdles encountered while she and her colleagues were there.

Her message was clear - our best opportunity for best voter outcomes in the November special election and beyond, is for each of us to **volunteer to be Poll Observers and Ballot Processing Workers**.



Time is running out... Email Ruth immediately and directly at [ruthweiss@eip-ca.com](mailto:ruthweiss@eip-ca.com) for details and zoom training times.

**NOW**

**VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED**





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ON  
**DEFEND FAIR  
ELECTIONS**



*Election Integrity Project California*  
EVERY LAWFULLY CAST VOTE ACCURATELY COUNTED

## HOW TO “VOTE SAFE” in San Diego County

To avoid excessive handling and processing, delay in counting, technological intrusion and lack of chain of custody, follow the instructions below to vote in person (no envelope):

1. When you receive your vote by mail ballot (VBM), open it to be sure there are no errors. Treat it with care and store it where it will remain safe and undamaged.
  - a. Do NOT mix your materials with those of other family members. If emergency requires you to vote with the envelope, the one YOU were sent needs to be the one YOU sign.
2. Take your VBM to the polls on or as close to Election Day as possible to submit without the envelope. San Diego refers to this as a “carry-in” ballot. You may fill it out at home or use a booth in the polls to mark it after check-in.
  - a. Mark cleanly and carefully—no cross-outs, erasures, smudges, stains, wet spots. Black or blue ink are equally fine.
  - b. Fully fill in the “bubbles”—no X or √ or circles. No writing or stray marks.
3. Inform poll workers you wish to vote in person.
4. Provide your name and address as required by law by filling out the check-in form.
5. Take form to clerk at electronic poll book.
6. Inform the clerk you will use your VBM ballot.
7. Sign the poll pad when requested.
8. Put ballot in secrecy sleeve and allow clerk to check sequence number at the top.
9. Take your marked ballot in the secrecy sleeve to the ballot box and watch the clerk submit it.
10. When you get home, shred the return envelope once you have voted.

### NOTE:

- Voting early (before polls open) at the ROV is NOT an in-person vote, but simply an in-person VBM vote. You do not avoid the *VBM processing* when you vote that way.
- If poll workers attempt to dissuade you from voting in person, or suggest you are not registered or have already voted, the magic words are: 1) “Please summon your supervisor.” 2) “Please call your Poll Worker HOTLINE.” Always be polite and patient but stand up for your rights!!
- Provisional ballot and Conditional Voter Registration (CVR) should be LAST resort.
- If a last-minute emergency keeps you from the polls, seal your marked ballot in return envelope, sign carefully and put in mail or allow a trusted friend/relative to drop it off for you at the polls or drop box. If submitted or postmarked by Election Day, it will count.

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## REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF CALIFORNIA-FALLBROOK

### INTEREST SURVEY

Your feedback is important!!! Please take a moment to circle one or more of our Officer and/or Committee positions that would be of interest to you.

#### OFFICER POSITIONS

##### Board of Directors:

President  
Vice President Programs  
Vice President Membership  
Vice President Ways & Means  
Treasurer  
Recording Secretary  
Corresponding Secretary

#### SPECIAL COMMITTEES (SHORT TERM)

Nominating Committee - September  
Flyer Mailers/Voter ID – September 23  
Harvest Festival – October 19  
Gala – December 10  
Avocado Festival – April 2026  
Election Committee – 2026!

#### STANDING COMMITTEES (ONE YEAR TERM)

Americanism  
Call to Action  
Communication  
Hospitality  
Legislation  
Song Leader  
Newsletter  
Publicity  
Scholarship  
Parliamentarian  
Photographer  
Newsletter  
Chaplain

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Email your interest to  
[info@rwcfallbrook.com](mailto:info@rwcfallbrook.com)**



We have an election in 2026, and it is critical that the Republicans win seats throughout California. There are bills before our assembly that are outrageous and they must be defeated. Trump is fighting and we must fight too to protect our State and Country. Please share a little of your time to join us in this fight!!

# 2025 RWCF Leadership

Email [info@RWCFallbrook.org](mailto:info@RWCFallbrook.org) to contact any listed club leader regarding club business.



## Elected Positions

President	<b>Michelle Fitzgerald</b>	Recording Secretary	<b>Suzanne Pearne</b>
1st VP Programs	open	Corresponding Secretary	<b>Orolie Gubser</b>
2nd VP Membership	<b>Chris St. James</b>	Immediate Past	<b>Ardeth Meier</b>
3rd VP Ways & Means	<b>Young Milton</b>	President	
Treasurer	<b>Cheryl Hurley</b>		

## Appointed Positions

Parliamentarian	<b>Suzanne Pearne</b>	Newsletter Editor	<b>Andrea Thompson</b>
Communications	<b>Carol Shrider</b>	Publicity	<b>Christine Moosa</b>
Call to Action Liaison	<b>Brita L. (RWCSDC)</b>	Photographer	open
Legislation	<b>Peggy Wells</b>	Campaign HQ	<b>Team</b>
Americanism	<b>Ardeth Meier</b>	Chaplain	<b>Melissa Seymour</b>
Scholarships	<b>Jane Kepley &amp; Liz Incledon</b>	Hospitality	<b>Marie Harper</b>
		Song Leader	<b>Sandra Kopitzke</b>

# 2025 Meeting Dates & Speakers

January 10	<b>David Blacher</b> Shields of David ✓
February 14	<b>Loren Sivek</b> Conservative Author, Speaker ✓
March 14	<b>Carl DeMaio</b> Assemblyman & Reform California ✓
April 11	<b>Brad Dacus</b> Pacific Justice Institute ✓
May 9	<b>Chris Boyle</b> Nights with Chris Boyle/OAN ✓
June 13	<b>Jonathan Hogan</b> UCR College Republicans ✓ <b>Lena Gustafson</b> Young, Local Entrepreneur ✓ <b>Olivia Searle &amp; Frank Voges</b> RWCF Scholarship Winners ✓
July & August	Dark—No Meetings
September 12	<b>Ruth Weiss</b> Election Integrity Project CA ✓
October 10	<b>Eli Komai</b> John Birch Society
November 14	TBD
December 12	<b>Christmas Gala</b>
January 2026	<b>David Serpa</b> for Governor

**CANCELLED**

**Save THE Date**

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**Republican Women of California—Fallbrook**

\*Most meetings to be held at the Fallbrook Mission Theater.  
You will be notified of any location change(s).



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# Republican Women of California-Fallbrook

## Mission Statement



Our goal is to educate the community by communicating information, encouraging involvement, and outreach.

Our objectives, as stated in our Bylaws are to:

- Support and defend the Constitution of the United States of America against all enemies foreign and domestic.
- Promote a wider knowledge of principles and policies of the Republican Party.
- Cooperate with the Republican State and County Central Committees in campaign work for the election of Republican candidates for office, including non-partisan offices.

The cornerstone of the Republican philosophy is the belief that each person is responsible for his or her own place in our society. Individuals are encouraged to join the Party to help secure and preserve the benefits of society.

We believe that government should be limited to doing for people those things they cannot do for themselves. The right to determine individual destiny should lie in the hands of the individual, and we believe in the competitive free enterprise system. We believe that peace and freedom can be protected only if America maintains a defense strong enough to deter an aggressor. We strive to cut overlapping and unnecessary government programs.

## Become a Member • Invite a Friend to Attend & Join

REPUBLICAN WOMEN of CALIFORNIA - Fallbrook				New ( )	
PO Box 1328 Fallbrook, CA 92088				Renewal ( )	
<b>Membership Application</b>				Date _____	
Name _____		_____		_____	
Last		First		Initial	
_____		_____		_____	
Address		City		State and Zip	
Cell Phone # _____					
Home Phone # _____					
E-Mail _____					
Name Badge Order (\$10.00 per badge)					
Name _____					
Name _____					
Payment:					
Annual dues: \$ _____					
Name badges: \$ _____					
Amount Paid: \$ _____					
		<b>Membership Level check one:</b>			
		<input type="checkbox"/> Full Member \$40 <input type="checkbox"/> Joint with Husband \$50 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash			
		<input type="checkbox"/> Ruby \$75 <input type="checkbox"/> Diamond \$100 <input type="checkbox"/> Check			
		<input type="checkbox"/> Associate Member \$20			
		(Republican man or Member of another RWC club)			
		<input type="checkbox"/> Transfer membership from other RWC club to this club			
		Name of RWC Club in which you're a full member _____			
		<b>RWCF Scholarship Fund</b>			
		I've included \$_____ with my membership for our RWCF Scholarship Fund			
		(please note on check)			
		Yes, I am a registered Republican (Signature) _____			

