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Well I was hoping that by now we know when the "self-isolation" was going to be over and we can start to get back to "normal"

As mentioned last month we will not have a meeting in May, but we are hoping that we can meet again on June 3rd. Not sure who our guest speakers will be yet, but we will send out the names of the speakers with the lunch invitation.



As you know DCRW provides \$3000 in scholarship funds to seniors each year, and I have been receiving applications from Douglas High School. The "shutdown" has required some changes in the procedures, the selection committee will meet, either via phone, or in person, in mid-May. If perchance DHS goes back in session we will have the "face to face" interviews with the candidates. Either way we will select the winners and send their funds to the College of their choice.

We have prepared a great newsletter and hope you enjoy this edition and perhaps learn something about the candidates and their views for Douglas County.

Till we meet again in person, please stay safe and be well. If you need help with anything please contact one of your board members and we will try to help you.

OUR NEXT MEETING

Tentative Date:

Wed June 3, 2020

**Valley Christian
Fellowship Church St.,
Minden 89423**

Sign In: 11:00am

Lunch: 11:45am

Cost \$15.00

Reservation deadline:

May 29, 2020

Reservations:

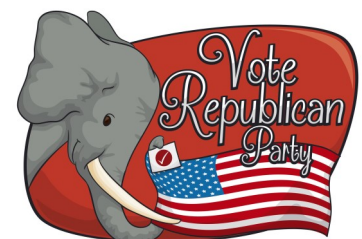
Maxine Rodowicz

(775)392-3761

max36@yahoo.com

Without Reservation:

COST \$20.00





An attempt was made to identify and contact each Republican candidate. They were then offered the opportunity to introduce themselves in this Newsletter. If we received a statement it has been printed here, otherwise just their Name and if available their email has been listed. All names are in Alphabetical order.

Congressional District 2 (Three Candidates)



Mark Amodei

With the challenges the 117th Congress is going to face in just about nine months, Nevada is going to need someone who knows their way around The Hill, is familiar with the process, and who has stepped up to deliver for Nevada during the biggest economic and health crisis of our lifetimes. I ask for your support based on my solid record before and during this crisis. Although the road ahead will be filled with difficult choices and hard work, we've already accomplished so much together, and I'm confident we can continue making a difference for the Silver State.

Joel Beck

Jesse Hurley

The graphic features a red background with a white rectangular area containing text and a blue-bordered box. At the top center is the circular seal of the National Federation of Republican Women, which includes an eagle and the text 'NATIONAL FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN'. Below the seal, a blue rectangular box contains the text '2020-2021 CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE' and 'COVID-19 UPDATE' in white. Underneath this box, the text reads: 'You can still do your part to support Republican campaigns during COVID-19. Stay healthy and safe while:'. This is followed by a bulleted list of five items, each preceded by a blue dot.

**2020-2021 CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE
COVID-19 UPDATE**

You can still do your part to support Republican campaigns during COVID-19. Stay healthy and safe while:

- Completing voter contact calls from home
- Voting by absentee ballot
- Writing a letter to the editor about your member of Congress's work to secure resources and help your community
- Participate in tele-conferences and tele-town halls with candidates to stay up to date
- Share good deeds by Republican candidates and organizations on social media



REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES THAT WILL BE ON THE June Primary Election Ballot



COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

District 1 (Two Candidates)

Incumbent Dave Nelson



Photo: Dave with Grandkids Nicole and Corey

My four-year record speaks for itself. More than 70 times, my vote went against the majority because what was being proposed didn't pass muster as something beneficial to the people of the County. With our economy taking a huge hit due to the COVID19 shutdown, shifting county leadership and resources to meet the challenges we now face tops my list of Commissioner goals. My priorities in budgeting and giving approval to spending are all about making sure residents get what they pay for so dearly through taxes and fees.

The majority on the Board has voted approvals for nearly every development. I have only voted for developments that don't require variances or zoning changes. Traffic, noise, crime, and water all need more attention, and I plan to keep pushing to take up these issues.

Two crucial wrong decisions made by the County's Board were the 2015 vote to establish Redevelopment Area#2 in Stateline and the 2019 vote to sign a very one-sided agreement with Park Ranch that allows 2,500 houses to be developed on what was zoned agricultural land. Both of these require millions of taxpayer dollars to fund projects that I do not believe are of any true value to us taxpayers. I saw to it that Redevelopment Area#1 was dissolved, and I am committed to continuing on as **The People's Voice**. See Re-ElectDaveNelson.com.



COUNTY COMMISSIONER

District 1

Danny Tarkanian

I have lived in Nevada for nearly 50 years. The Nevada values, culture and lifestyle that I grew up with have made our state so special for generations. I am running for Douglas County Commissioner because I want to ensure that these values and traditions, which we all cherish about our state, stand strong for generations to come.

Currently, the most important issue facing Douglas County is the prevention of and recovery from the Coronavirus. While all steps must be taken to stop the spread of this vicious disease, the County Commissioners should be working on a Douglas County Economic Recovery Plan. A Business Council should be convened to discuss our needs and the resources available to help our businesses recover and prosper again.

breath to protect and preserve those things for my family and for our community.



We must reach out now and obtain financial support from sources Douglas County has been neglecting in the past, and chief among them is the federal government. My relationship with President Trump and members of his staff give us a unique advantage to help Douglas County access available funds.

The most important long-term issue facing Douglas County is how to protect our rural lifestyle and strengthen our region against the challenges other counties face every day. We do this by limiting new growth that doesn't align with our residents' values and eliminating projects that do not bring the opportunities county taxpayers say that they want and deserve.

We must also ensure enough county revenue to provide for essential services, without increasing taxes on our residents. It is my experience that most problems can be solved with a commonsense approach, willingness to collaborate, and listening to alternative points of view with civility. My background as a coach, author, business leader, lawyer and non-profit administrator has provided me the experience needed to make an impact in multiple industries. I understand the importance of fiscal responsibility, making payroll, and serving the public. My work in commercial real estate brings insight to even the most vexing challenges we face in protecting our way of life in rural America.

I love Nevada with all my heart. I love our values, culture and lifestyle. I will fight to my last breath to protect and preserve those things for my family and for our community.



County commissioners

District 3 (Two candidates)

Mark Gardner

(Photo: Mark and Laura Gardner)

Dear Fellow DCRW Members and Friends,

I hope you are safe and well. Nothing is higher on my list of goals right now than to see Douglas County come out of this COVID19 crisis with as little harm as possible. We need to get back on our feet, and to do that we need a county that has its priorities straight. Douglas County has limited resources and those resources must be allocated with thoughtfulness and great care.



Of late, my campaign theme and slogan **LET'S BE SAFE, SOUND and RURAL** has taken on a far greater meaning in how it applies to this county. We need to see to it that our sheriff deputies, first responders, doctors, health facilities, and firefighters have what they need to provide their crucial services. We also need to reach out to our businesses to see what can be done to help them survive.

I decided to run for County Commissioner for District 3 because I love this county and I want it to continue to be a place where people know and care about one another and not where people's daily lives get swallowed up in traffic, crowded neighborhoods, worry about crime, or worry about their leaders. My platform calls for far more prudent planning both in regard to development and allocating resources. See MarkGardner4Commissioner.com for more info.

Incumbent Larry Walsh larry@walshfordc.com



"FORGET OIL! WE STRUCK TOILET PAPER!"

SUNSHINE ALERT

Please keep our members in your thoughts and prayers .

We continue to ask for your prayers all our members dealing with illnesses during these troubling times. Stay safe.

Please let Jean Tomlinson know if anyone is in need of a card. [tomlin-](#)

County commissioners

District 5 (Two Candidates)

Nathan Tolbert

I have been a resident of Douglas County for over 30 years, am a graduate of both Douglas High School and Western Nevada College. I was raised by hard-working conservative parents who taught me the importance of having respect for others, common courtesy and taking responsibility for my actions. I am discouraged by recent local political rants in the regular and social media in a time when we need to promote unity and a positive atmosphere in order to maintain our community health and well-being. I have always been the type of person to lend a hand when needed and I cannot sit idly by any longer. One of the main reasons people want to live here, and why my parents moved here, is the rural charm. It's the fact that residents smile and wave when we see you out



and about, we stop and offer help when we see you on the side of the road, and we hold the door for you when we see you approaching. We need to remember that the one thing everyone agrees upon is that we want to preserve our rural character and beautiful setting while enhancing our active, vibrant community. It is essential that we come together, check our behaviors, and make it a priority to support our neighbors in these awkward times.

My campaign motto is **"Objective Leadership for a Promising Future"**. I owe a lot to this community, this where I met and married my wife of over 27 years, where we are raising our three sons, and hopefully where we will retire as well. Of all the candidates, I have the biggest investment and the most to lose should our community be led down the wrong path. I am not a member of any special interest group but have found support from many individuals, groups, and organizations because I relate to working families, large and small businesses, public employees, and our retired population. I have thrown my hat in the ring because the residents of Douglas County deserve a commissioner who will represent them with dignity, respect, and objectivity. I will be a Commissioner who is truly looking out for our County's future, I will be objective, seek out the facts, and use those facts to base my decisions. I am Nathan Tolbert, your candidate for Douglas County Commissioner, District 5. For more information about me or my campaign, please visit my website at www.NathanTolbertDistrict5.com, or call me directly at 775-781-9355.

County commissioners

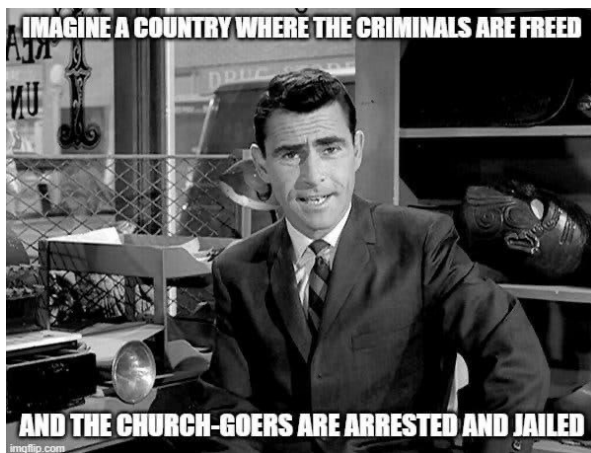
District 5 (Two Candidates)



Walt Nowosad

Walt Nowosad is from Detroit. Enlisted in the Navy in 1957, served 20-years and transitioned into civilian pursuits. Worked in Silicon Valley for 25 years. Moved to the Carson Valley in 2001. Volunteered at various Carson Valley charities as well as the DCSO. Elected to the secretary position in the DCRCC.

I decided to run for Douglas County Commissioner, District 5 after observing a steady progression of development over the years. I saw the BOCC as a liberal organization with a liberal agenda rather than one that had the best interests of the residents in mind. After seeing a steady progression of 3-2 votes I decided that it was time for me to vie for a seat on that board. One of my concerns was Redevelopment Area 2. I saw that blight was an excuse to come to the aid of the casinos. An “independent” study was conducted under the broad terms laid down by the legislature and that study concluded that because the tourist attraction of legal gambling had run its course; it was economically blighted. My experience with blight comes from my time in both Detroit and Chicago. Given the fact that I lived in those areas, I know what blight looks like, and it’s not in the Township of Lake Tahoe. Additionally, I believe that the purpose of government at whatever level, is to provide those services that individuals cannot provide on their own: law enforcement, water, sewer disposal, schools, parks, libraries, roads, among others. One of the services a county should provide is real blight control. If a property falls below a standard, it is not government’s option to “rescue” a homeowner when his property falls below that standard, it is to serve notice to the homeowner to correct the problem. So my vote would be a yes to rescind RDA2.



The Twilight Zone

Republican Candidates that will be on the November Ballot

And not on the Primary

District Court Judge *(Two Candidates)*

District 9 Dept.

Carewn Cafferata-Jenkins justcci@gmail.com

Incumbent Nathan Tod Young



Meet Judge Young

Judge Young is experienced, dedicated and ready to continue serving the Douglas County Ninth Judicial District Court.

A graduate of Mississippi College School of Law, Judge Young has over 35 years of legal experience – from owning his own law practice to serving as an arbitrator. Judge Young has tried cases in courts throughout the state of Nevada, and has argued cases directly to the Supreme Court of Nevada. He has a wide breadth of knowledge of our court system at all levels. Judge Young was appointed by Governor Sandoval in 2012 to fill the seat vacated by Judge David Gamble, and was re-elected to his second term in 2014 as the District

Judge in Department 1 of the Ninth Judicial District Court in Douglas County.

He has lived in Douglas County for 25 years, raised his children here, and is an active volunteer in the community

“Hope is important because it can make the present moment less difficult to bear. If we believe that tomorrow will be better, we can bear a hardship today.” – Thich Nhat Hanh

Candidate for Douglas County School Boards

School District Area 1 (Two Candidates)

Tony Magnotta tonym@capitollien.com

School District Area 1 (Two Candidates)

Yvonne Wagstaff

My husband and I had the privilege of moving to this beautiful valley 6 years ago. Together now for 21 years, we have been raising our 6 children. My family is the most important thing in my life which is why I am running for the School Board of Trustees in District 1. I care about what is happening in our schools. My oldest daughter proudly graduated from Douglas High in 2018 and is currently serving a mission for our church. My 2 sons are in high school, 2 daughters in junior high, and my youngest is in elementary. Since the day my children started school I have been actively involved in their education, from volunteering in the classroom to helping in marching band. Knowing the teachers and the staff helps me know what is happening in each school. I have enjoyed working in our schools for the past 3 years, 2 years as a substitute all over the valley and this last year as a highly qualified Paraprofessional in Special Education at Pinon Hills Elementary. I love the children that I have been so privileged to work with. I love being able to help them learn and grow. Being a parent that is heard when addressing the school board is important to me. I will listen to each individual parent and work to make sure each school has the best learning environment where our children are safe and educated to the highest standard. I look forward to representing you and your children on the School Board because I care about each child and what they need to be successful. You need a voice that has a vested interest in what is happening in our schools, I will be that voice.



School District Area 3

Dwight “Doug” Englekirk



Box 1274 Zephyr Cove, NV, 89448 805-720-7260

Bio: I am a 25 year resident of Douglas County, currently residing in Zephyr Cove.

I have been a general contractor for 37 years doing mostly residential construction. I am married and have 2 grown sons and 3 grandchildren.

I am running for school board because I am concerned about the progressive agenda to indoctrinate our children. I have never run for public office, but I feel it's time to get involved and hopefully steer the direction of education in our district towards a more conservative, Judeo-Christian view like our nation was founded on.

“Be miserable. Or motivate yourself. Whatever has to be done, it's always your choice.” –
Wayne Dyer

East Fork Fire Protection

District 1

William John Bellona

Retired

I have a wide range of education and experience in leadership, firefighting, and budgeting, and can bring expertise that is currently missing from the board. I have been part of statewide leadership organizations and have sat on both sides of the table as a Chief Officer dealing with labor and also sat on the labor side of the table dealing with administrations. This allows me the unique opportunity to work with all parties concerned and to seek compromise and common ground. I have a good understanding on how government bodies work. While with the Nevada Division of Forestry I prepared and presented budgets at state and county level budget hearings. I have successfully written six United States Fire Administration, Assistance to Firefighters Grants for fire service organizations including 2 for East Fork Fire and Paramedic District.



East Fork Fire Protection

District 5 (Two Candidates)

Steven Mihelic



I have lived in Douglas County for 50+ years. I graduated from Douglas County Schools and raised my family here. I am running to retain my seat on the East Fork Fire Protection District board of Directors. I was appointed to the Board representing district 5 (North Douglas County) beginning in January 2017.

I am proud to say that during that time I have consistently voted to support the district and our personnel to provide quality fire and emergency medical services to our community. All the while keeping fiscal considerations in the forefront.

If I am re-elected, I am committed to continuing to provide the best service possible with the resources available, listening to my constituents and our employees, and maintaining a conservative fiscal approach.

For a more complete collection of information please visit my website: stevenmihelic.com or my facebook page: Steven Mihelic District 5 East Fork FPD Board

Michael C; Sommers

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Gardnerville Ranchos GID *(Three Candidates)*

Darby Baligad

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Indian Hills GID *(Two Candidates)*

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Round Hill GID *(Three Candidates)*

Janet Murphy

Michael J. Murphy

Darin R. Smith darin@alpinesmith.com

Skyland GID *(Five Candidates)*

DANA ENGLEKIRK

Box 1274 Zephyr Cove, NV, 89448 805-720-7260

Bio: I am a 25 year resident of Douglas County, currently residing in Zephyr Cove.

I have been a Flotilla Commander for the United States Coast Guard Aux. and CERT team member. I am married and have 2 grown children and 3 grandchildren; all residing in Douglas County.

I am running for Skyland GID because I am concerned about our neighborhood. I have never run for public office, but I feel it's time to get involved and hopefully steer the direction of our general improvement district towards a more conservative, Judeo-Christian view like our nation was founded on making our homes and water front safe.



Skyland GID (Five Candidates) cont.

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Sharon Ferris	sharon.ferris@hotmail.com
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Jerry “Brandon” Taylor	brandontregid@gmail.com

Minden-Gardnerville Sanitation District (Three Candidates)

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mark your Calendars

May 23rd Begins VOTING BY MAIL-IN BALLOT

June 3 DCRW General Meeting **Tentative Date**

June 9 Primary Election

June 10 Sierra Nevada General Meeting

June 11 DCRCC General Meeting

June 13 Carson Valley Days Parade

July 1 DCRW General Meeting

July 8 Sierra Nevada General Meeting

July 9 DCRCC General Meeting

August 5 DCRW General Meeting

August 12 Sierra Nevada General Meeting

August 13 DCRCC General Meeting

September



“Never give up. Things may be hard, but if you quit trying they’ll never get better. Stop worrying and start trusting God. It will be worth it.” — **Germany Kent**



Web

Sites of Interest:

Douglas County

Republican Women

www.dcrwnevada.com

Nevada Federation of

Republican Women

www.nvfrw.org

Nevada Republican Party

www.nevadagop.org

Douglas County Republi-
can Central Committee

www.douglasgop.org

Republican National
Committee

www.rnc.org

The Federalist:

www.federalist.com

Heritage Foundation:

www.heritage.org

Left Coast Report:

www.newsmax.com

Pacific Justice Institute:

www.pacificjustice.org

Nevada Governor:

www.gov.nv.gov

Grassroots:

www.grassroots.com

