



Chelan Douglas Counties Republican Women's Club

Club Chatter

President's Message:

We are so pleased to be publishing our first newsletter. Our thanks to new member Dee Drewry, who has happily volunteered her time and expertise with this project. Please take a moment to say "thank you" to Dee.

Our world is changing—some of the changes are good and some not so good. We, as Republican women, must be on high alert to the changes that are occurring so as to recognize the bad changes and be willing and able to counteract them. We need wisdom and insight to promote and fight for the good changes. Each of us has a responsibility to our country and to future generations to stand up for what is right and to defeat the evil that will surely overtake us if we are passive. We dare not "leave it to the other guy" — we must be educated and active citizens. Scripture tells us that the elder, who has wisdom and experience, should teach the younger so that values, morals and the love and fear of God will be passed from generation to generation.

I challenge all of us to become rejuvenated by each other and to recommit our talents and energy to our organization and to our country in this challenging time. Do not be afraid to stand for something. "The wrong will fail and the right prevail" if we just persevere.

Let your voice be heard loud and clear!

Pat

Political News:

Welcome to your political news section of our newsletter! Each issue will provide the opportunity for our group of "political watchdogs" to keep us informed as to what is happening at our local, state, and national levels. This article concerns two bills introduced during the current session in Olympia. In one instance the voice of the public helped bring defeat to a bad bill. In the other instance the voice of the people was ignored.

Senate Bill 6541 introduced in the Senate Finance Committee, has to do with the State Retirement System that provides retirement investment options to all state employees. The bill would have allowed the state retirement system to solicit public employees and would have mandated that employers offer it to their employees. This bill would have allowed government to interfere with private income loss, thereby causing revenue loss to the state. The good news is that those in the insurance and financial field spoke up. They sent emails, letters and made phone calls and sent their lobbyist to the Senate. That effort, along with the opposition of the Republicans on the committee, caused the bill to die in committee. We the people prevailed!

Senate & House Bill 6130 is the sad example of how desperate the state's economic situation has become. This was the bill to repeal I960 which, as most of you know, was an initiative voted into law by the people in 2007. Two important items in that initiative: (1) A 2/3 vote by the legislature was required

to raise our taxes, and (2) citizens would be publicly notified about tax increases. Republicans and some moderate Democrats opposed SB6130 along with a public outcry including demonstrators in Olympia. In this instance, the Democrats would not listen to the public; they disregarded the voter's wishes, and ignored the pleas of Republicans. The bill passed both the House and the Senate and the resulting (preplanned) tax increases will become law. However, there was good news in the roll call vote — In the House, out of 98 members, the vote was 51 (Dem) — 47 (Rep & Dem). The Senate vote, out of 49 members, was 26 (Dem) — 21 (Rep & Dem) with 2 (Rep) excused. Some Democrats are hearing the people! This time the people's voice did not prevail but we are gaining ground! (Information in this article is taken from www.leg.wa.gov)



Following the joint meeting about "health care" legislation, President Obama threw out a challenge to the Republicans and to the American voters. He said that if the Congressional Republicans would not come to an agreement with the Democrats and himself, he would push his bill through. His challenge was this: If the voters did not like the legislation "that is what elections are for." He was referring to the November mid term elections. Are we the people up for that challenge? If so, what will each of us do to accept the challenge and beat the Democrats at their own game?

Events:

[Thursday, March 11th](#) → Last day of 2010 Legislative Session

[Saturday, March 20th](#) → Douglas County Lincoln Day Dinner 6-9pm @ Desert Canyon Resort, Orondo

[Thursday, March 25th](#) → First CDRW Evening Meeting

[Monday, April 5th](#) → CDRW General Meeting noon @ Red Lion

[Thursday, April 8th](#) → Chelan County GOP County Convention 6-9:30pm @ Foothills Middle School

[Sunday, April 18th](#) → Chelan County GOP Lincoln Day Dinner 1pm (Location & Program TBA)

[Friday & Saturday, April 23rd & 24th](#) → WFRW Spring Board Meeting @ Campbell's Resort, Chelan

[May](#) → CDRW Meeting TBA



**CDRW
BOOKSHARE!**



We are starting an ongoing book sharing table at our meetings. It will be our own private library of good American history and political books, biographies, and other titles that would be of interest to Republican women.

We'll begin this project at our April meeting. Watch for more information in your mailbox or inbox on how to prepare your books for sharing.

[By the way, have you read a good book lately and want to share a brief book review?](#)

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**Candidate Corner: Clint Didier
Candidate for United States Senator**

Platform:

Clint is not a practiced politician. He believes that our Senators work for us and should be accountable to the people. A team effort will be required to bring our government back to its original definition under the Constitution.

Clint's platform consists of three main planks:

- Government Accountability
- Military & National Security
- Economic Prosperity

Our government has a responsibility to work for the people, to listen to the people and do

what is in the best interest of the people.

All elected officials should be held accountable. They should do what is best for their constituents, not what is best for their political careers. Transparency in the process is key.

Our national security should always be a number one concern of any member of our Senate.

To learn more about this candidate please go to: www.clintdidier.org



The Quick Rejoinder...

How many times have you stayed silent because you couldn't think of an effective answer to a leftist remark? Let's take some cues from Lynn Harsh, CEO of Evergreen Freedom Foundation, as she put a liberal comment on our state's budget into the proper perspective in a recent EFF email:

The liberal premise: The legislators need to pass a "progressive" budget that will *protect our kids, our jobs, our health, and our environment.*

Lynn's answers:

A budget that *protects our children* means they do not inherit our debt— debt generated from spending that lawmakers refuse to control today.

A budget that *protects our jobs* means lawmakers do not strangle the job creators with unsustainable taxes and unpredictable regulations.

A budget that *protects our health* means government stops being the expensive, meddling middleman and allows us to have the highest quality care for the lowest possible costs.

A budget that *protects our environment* means government unshackles the genius of the private sector to fund sustainable solutions to protect our natural resources and meet our energy needs.

(Find more talking points at www.effwa.org.)

Let Me Introduce: Me (Dee Drewry)

Raised in California's San Joaquin Valley, I migrated north in the 70's where I have many fond memories with my grandparents . (Boy, I am grateful to no longer reside in that mess of a state). My career includes 24 years as a com'l banker (also grateful to no longer work in that mess of an industry)! Anxious to leave the traffic, rain and stress of the "dark side" my husband, Kris, and I purchased 220 acres in the Okanogan Highlands in '93. Beautiful and quiet, we enjoyed many peaceful years "smelling the native grasses" (where I discovered I was allergic to all of them). Okay, boredom set in and we developed a Lake Osoyoos waterfront recreational community before settling in the Wenatchee area four years ago. We are an adventuresome couple; cruising, traveling abroad, taking our boat to Alaska one summer and traveling in our motorhome across the great U.S. As a "tomboy," my youth included all outdoor activities and sports known to cause aches and pains at my age — I now limit myself to snowmobiling and a good brisk walk (and yes, a few ranch chores every summer!) According to many, I'm a "Type A" personality; intense, somewhat anal with a ridiculous attention to detail (yes—opposites attract). Although not necessarily a desirable personality trait, it lends itself well to assisting my husband in his company as the "office troll," & this newsletter!

[\(Each newsletter will feature a CDRW member or a Republican woman in history\)](#)

Referrals/Connections:



Need someone you can trust to service or repair your computer for a reasonable fee? Pat (and Kris Drewry) have had excellent service from Panda Computers. Kevin even makes "house calls!"

Panda Computers

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[Have you had great service and want to recommend a business, service provider, website, etc? Please pass along to your fellow members!](#)

Classified:

WANTED: Reporters for newsletter!

This is not the "Nickel Ads" but if you have items for sale, or searching for collectibles, etc. let us know, and we will share—

