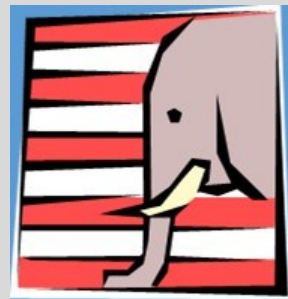




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## MARCH 7, 2025 MEETING

Location: Clubhouse 5  
Social Hour 11:00– Meeting 11:30  
Lunch 12:15

**SPEAKER: Jeffrey Scott Brown**  
**Victim of January 6 Tragedy**



## APRIL 4, 2025 MEETING

Location: Clubhouse 5  
Social Hour 11:00 Meeting 11:30  
Lunch 12:15

**SPEAKER: Mari Barke**  
California Policy Center  
Vice President –Orange County  
Board of Education



Jeffrey was arrested on August 26, 2021 and has served the last 3 1/2 years incarcerated in federal custody in 11 different facilities across the U.S. ending his sentence at the Federal Correctional Institution in Lompoc, CA.

Jeff spent his formative years between Southern California and Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, where he developed a passion for outdoor sports and activities. He achieved the rank of Eagle Scout demonstrating his leadership and commitment of service.

He earned his Bachelor's degree in Business Administration and also holds a F.A.A. Commercial Pilots license and held a Certified Flight Instructor Certificate.

Committed to giving back, Jeff volunteered to support Orange County food banks and animal shelters.

His interest in politics was sparked in 2015 when Donald Trump rode down the golden escalator— an event that marked the beginning of an engaging and transformative journey.

Mari works with the California Policy Center on their Janus project and Parent Union and is the Director of their CLEO project, California Local Elected Officials.

Mari produced two virtual trainings for local elected officials and provides in-person trainings to potential candidates and local leaders throughout the state. She also serves in leadership or advisory roles for several organizations in Southern California and is a CAGOP state delegate.

Mari has served as president of the Orange County Board of Education twice and is currently board vice president. She ran for office so that more children in Orange would have the educational choices and opportunities that her own children enjoyed.



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Send your coupon with your check to RCLW P.O. Box 2431  
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**Must be mailed by Friday, February 28 Deadline for  
Reservations is Tuesday March 4 8 pm. No Exceptions**

**Menu: Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy Peas &  
Carrots, Rolls and Butter, Key Lime Pie**

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**Must be mailed by Friday March 27 Deadline for reservations  
Is Tuesday, April 1, 8 p.m.-no exceptions**

**Menu: Poached Salmon, Rice Pilaf, Asparagus, Hawaiian Roll  
Cheesecake**



Dear Friends,

I hope everyone is having a great start to this New Year! This new year has a lot to offer. The American people gave Republicans control of the House of Representatives, the Senate, and the White House. I look forward to working with the Trump administration.

The 119th Congress has just started, but we have already hit the ground running. I am excited to be serving again on the Financial Services Committee and the Foreign Affairs Committee, where I will serve as the Chairwoman of the Subcommittee on East Asia and the Pacific. I am also excited to join the House Select Committee on Strategic Competition Between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party, where I will keep fighting to protect the American Dream and ensure America's values lead the way around the world.

I recently met with President Trump at Mar-a-Lago with my colleagues to discuss the importance of fixing the SALT cap hurting Californians, and particularly those in my district. It was a productive discussion, and I was pleased that President Trump committed to working with us to fix SALT and bring much-needed tax relief to hardworking, middle class Californians. I also recently reintroduced the SALT Deductibility Act to fully repeal the SALT cap, and I will keep working to find a solution.

With your continued support, my team and I will work to build on the success we've had for the last four years and fight to get our country moving in the right direction. Thank you, and God Bless you!!

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January 2025 flew by as the Legislation Session started. As I write this column, the main goal is getting bill packages organized and introducing legislation. The deadline to introduce legislation is February 21 so we have a few more weeks to continue working on the language and meeting with stakeholders.

I introduced my second bill of the session, AB 349—Infant Supplement Assistant for Parenting Foster Youth. This is a particularly vulnerable population in California. Currently, the infant supplement, a vital monthly payment for parenting foster youth has not been increased since 2016. AB 349 would take the infant supplement formula increase with inflation so parenting foster youth can get the help they need.

Last week, I supported a measure to increase wildfire prevention funding by \$1 billion. We've seen time and again, over the last 10-14 years, how a lack of preparedness can cost lives and increase damage to property. Unfortunately, Sacramento focused on the wrong issues. Just days after rejecting this important public safety investment, Sacramento tried a political stunt to fund lawsuits by the Attorney General to fight the current administration in court.

Email: [Assemblymember.Dixon@assembly.ca.gov](mailto:Assemblymember.Dixon@assembly.ca.gov) 713-843-4966





# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear RCLW Members & Fellow Patriots

Well, it's a "NEW day in America"...with a "NEW" Sheriff in town"...and we THANK GOD that our beloved President Trump is back in the White House and what a RELIEF!! With J.D. Vance as our Vice President along with his incredible and competent cabinet lineup, his TEAM is ready and willing to serve our country, so we have renewed hope that our Constitution freedoms will be restored. It's the "Trump Effect"... a most historical governing impact by a U.S. President in our lifetime.

As of this writing, I trust you are as challenged as I to just to keep up with the news...let alone know that our President is putting in about 20 hours a day to make it happen. With the hundreds of executive orders (EO's) written in the first 10 days, he has already broken the record for a president in the first 100 days. Not to mention Elon Musk, who along with our president..they sleep very little and do NOT take weekends off. Elon is driven to 'bring efficiency to excess' and is auditing all that is broken in our government,. It's mind blowing to see the huge scope of fraud, waste and abuse going on for so many years under the reign of corruption with Biden, Obama and the Clintons.

We are witnessing Democrats coming unhinged and faltering to find a coherent message. President Trumps approval rating is 53%, higher that it's ever been, and he's enjoying 70% approval of the American people who approve that he's keeping the promises he made to be elected. Democrats are on the wrong side of history when they protest, they want to STOP audits...they are affirming they do NOT want to get rid of corruption. 'We the people' pay taxes to support this audit and President Trump has executive powers and a mandate from 'we the people' to do just that. Lawfare by leftist judges to block actions of the executive branch of our constitutional government will not stand.

How about that Karoline Leavitt, Presidents Trump's Press Secretary. She is an intelligent young woman and the daily press briefings. It's heartening to know that 40 journalists, previously censored, will now have a presence in the WH briefing room, "The Trump Effect!!"

Remember, "To whom much is given, much is required." We the people and our nation has miraculously been given a 2nd chance to restore our Judeo-Christian nation to its constitutional balance. There is much support and hard work ahead. Please stay active and tuned in...be ready to head calls of action and participation to help or most worthy President Donald J. Trump and stand strong. Godspeed!

Gratefully, Pat Micone, Your RCLW President



Deb Pauly, President Pat Micone  
Shirley Morgan





## **STATEMENT ON THE INAUGURATION OF DONALD J. TRUMP**

Orange County, CA—Hon. Will O'Neill, Chairman of the Republican Party of Orange County, released the following statement:

*"Today, America reminded the world that we are an enduring pillar of representative governance. President Donald. Trump and Vice-president J.D. Vance have been sworn in and now lead our great nation.*

*President Trump declared that "The Golden Age of America begins now."*

*Today starts a new day. After four dark years. It is morning again in America.*

*President Biden's failed term ended as many predicted, but few hoped. In his last acts, he issued sweeping pardons of his family, Fauci, and members of the Congressional J6 Committee. Marked by purposefully defying the Supreme Court, refusing to enforce laws he signed, granting clemency to cop killers, and blanket pardons to his family, Biden's term will be remembered for its lawlessness.*

*Justice without lawfare is back. Peace through strength is back. America is back. May God Bless President Trump and these United States of America."*



INAUGURATION OF  
President Donald J. Trump –Vice President J.D. Vance by  
Supreme Court Justice John Roberts –Melania Trump

Inauguration "Watch" party for members  
of The Republican Club of Laguna Woods



## Prayer by Franklin Graham at President Donald J. Trump & J.D. Vance 1-20-2025 Inauguration

*“Mr. President, the last four years, there are times, I’m sure you thought, it was pretty dark. But look what God has done. We praise him and give him glory.”*



### PRAYER:

*“Our Father and our God, thou hast said, blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord. As the prophet Daniel declared: Blessed be the name of God, forever and ever. For wisdom and might are his. He changes the times and the seasons; He removes kings and raises up kings; He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding.”*

*“Our Father, today, as President Donald J. Trump takes the oath of office once again, we come to say thank you, O Lord our God. Father, when Donald Trump’s enemies thought he was down and out, You, and You alone, saved his life and raised him up with strength and power by Your mighty hand. We pray for President Trump that You’ll watch over, protect, guide, and direct him. Give him Your wisdom from Your throne on high. We ask that You would bless him and that our nation would be blessed through him.”*

*We also ask that You would bless and protect Melania as First Lady. We thank You for the beauty, with warmth, and the grace that she shows, not only to this nation but to the whole world.”*

*“We thank You for Vice-President-elect J.D. Vance and his wife, Usha, and their young family. May he be a strength to President Trump, to stand beside him, to hold up his arms like Aaron held up the arms of Moses in the midst of battle.”*

*“The prophet Samuel reminded the people it was You that brought them up from the land of Egypt. And he said, ‘Now stand still that I may reason with you before the Lord.’ So, Father, we take this moment to stand still, to remember the great things that you have done for this nation. Thank you for the protection the bounty, the freedoms that we so enjoy.”*

*We remember to keep our eyes fixed on You, and may our hearts be inclined to Your voice. We know that America can never be great again if we turn our backs on You. We ask for Your help.”*

*“We pray all of this in the name of the King of Kings, the Lord of Lords, our Son, my Savior, and our Redeemer, Jesus Christ. Amen.”*



## LETTER FROM SENATOR JOHN KENNEDY

### FOLKS,

The Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) is getting ready to slash BILLIONS of dollars of Government waste. I CANNOT WAIT for DOGE to stop the funding for some of these extravagant and just plain stupid programs.

My blood boils just thinking about where our tax dollars are going to waste, no thanks to the Yankee up North and his Looney Lefties.

No one has questioned the federal government's spending before, and now the truth has been set free, like opening a can of worms.

At the risk of falling over in my chair, here are a few examples of Government waste that I hope DOGE will cut COMPLETELY:

I'm waiting for the day a Democrat can stand on a soap box and defend sending:

- \$12 MILLION for a 30-court pickleball complex in Las Vegas
- \$10 BILLION on EMPTY federal office space
- \$300,000 on DEI bird watching groups
- \$20 MILLION on advancing fertilizer use in Pakistan, Vietnam, Colombia And Brazil
- \$365,000 for promoting CIRCUSES in city parks
- \$1.5 MILLION to a Serbian LGBTQ Group
- \$164 MILLION to support Radical organizations, including Hamas
- \$2 MILLION for sex changes in Guatemala
- \$20 MILLION to produce a new Sesame Street show in Iraq
- \$4.5 MILLION to combat misinformation in Kazakhstan
- \$10 MILLION of meals to an Al-Qaeda-linked terrorist group

The list goes on and on, but for the sake of both our sanities, I'll refrain from continuing . This rabbit hole runs deep and we would be here all day. No one has questioned the federal government's spending before, and now the truth has been set free, like opening a can of worms.

The American people deserve better than being put on the back burner. During the Biden Administration, the American people became poorer, but they didn't become stupid.

*They know the government created the problem. I'm trying to fix it.*

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### A MESSAGE FROM SPEAKER MIKE JOHNSON—NOT ACCEPTING DOGE, HE ENDORSED IT!

I met with Elon yesterday to get an update. To me, it is very exciting what they're able to do. What Elon and the DOGE effort are doing right now is what Congress has been unable to do in recent years, because the agencies have hidden some of this from us.

DOGE is uncovering things that we've known intuitively have been there, but we couldn't prove it. Now, the proof is being provided. And no one can argue the counter to that. So stay tuned—*there is a lot more to come.*

The courts should take a step back and allow these processes to play out. DOGE is making sure that your tax dollars are spent in the way they were intended to be spent.

**CLIP: Johnson explains how DOGE actually HELPS Congress be a good steward rather than 'frustrating' authorized spending, enraging the New York Times.**

## **BITS AND PIECES OF INFORMATION**

**WE NEED YOU!** Several Volunteer Opportunities to be more involved & have fun!

**Election Chair:** Manage volunteers and activities prior to and during elections

**Photographer:** Take photos at RCLW Meetings & Events for Globe, Newsletter & Website

**Publicity:** Coordinate communication with RCLW events we host in our LW Village

**Voter Registration:** Attend LW Village events to register Voters

**CHANNEL 6 VIDEOS ON THURSDAY AT 6 P.M.** Watch Club meeting videos –January Is 2025 Vision with Deb Pauly/ February is Roseann DiConstanzo of New CA State

**MEMBERSHIP:** It is that time of the year once again to **RENEW your club membership** to support holding activities to *Encourage, Educate, Equip and Elect conservative candidates.*

*We are ever so grateful for your generous and faithful support.*

Regular members paying \$25 receiving Newsletter in print by mail will be required to pay an **additional \$10 per year** to continue receiving it by print and mail. the option is to receive it by email.. **You have until March 1, 2025 to renew & pay extra \$10. Please send your Membership Renewal check for Regular \$25, Patron \$50, and Star \$100 or more as you so choose. Send to RCLW membership-PO Box 2431, Laguna Hills, Ca. 92654.** Or payment by ZELLE to [treasurer@republicancluboflagunawoods.org](mailto:treasurer@republicancluboflagunawoods.org), or come and see me at the Membership table at our monthly luncheon. Donna Gailius, Membership Chairman. 949-505-3742-call Donna with any questions or concerns.

We received rave reviews from everyone who attended our Inaugural Watch Party on January 20. The room was filled to capacity with warm patriotic smiles, flag waving, hugs, shouts of excitement and tears of joy as we witnessed this historic event together. We are especially grateful to our members who lovingly baked and shared their delicious homemade quiches, egg dishes and more Thank you everyone who helped make watching the Trump 47 Inauguration a memorable one!!



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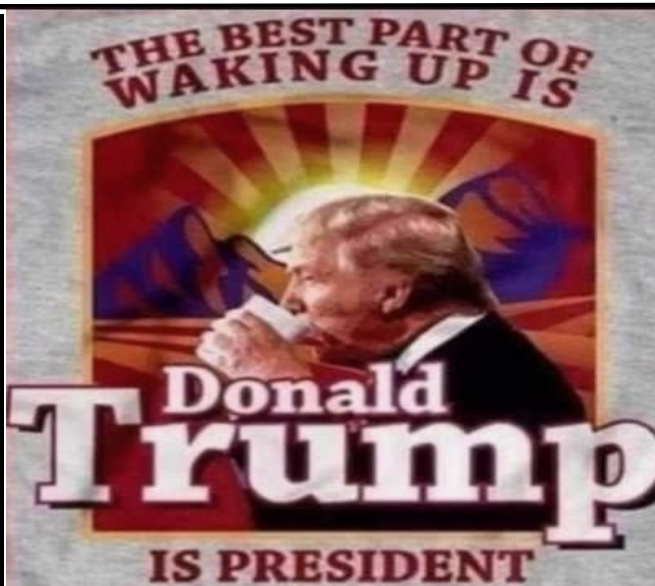
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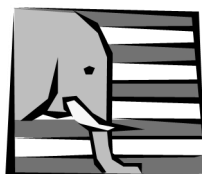
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