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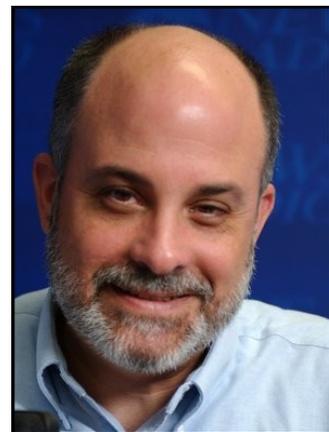
### Mark Levin

**Date:** March 6, 2010  
**Time:** 10AM-12PM  
**Location:**  
 Four Seasons, Westlake Village  
**Cost:** \$25

This event has limited tickets and WILL sell out. Please send in your money now to reserve your ticket. You must pay in advance. Please RSVP by email or call, E-mail: [mimifrankart@yahoo.com](mailto:mimifrankart@yahoo.com) Tel: (310) 651-4610

**Malibu/Bel-Air RWF**  
 Cordially invites you to a breakfast and booksigning with  
**Mark Levin**  
*by Mimi Frank*

Malibu/Bel-Air RWF is proudly welcoming nationally-syndicated talk radio host and best-selling author, Mark Levin, to a continental breakfast and booksigning on Saturday, March 6th. from 10:00 to noon at The Four Seasons in Westlake Village. Levin will be signing books, taking pictures and making brief comments.

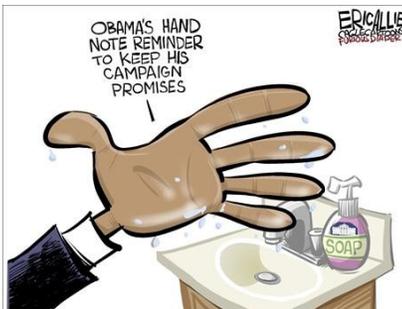


Levin's book, *Liberty And Tyranny: A Conservative Manifesto* became a #1 New York Times best seller for eleven weeks! Mark is one of the top authors in the conservative political arena. He is also the author of *Men in Black: How the Supreme Court is Destroying America*, and *Rescuing Sprite*. Levin is also a contributing editor for National Review online.

Once serving as a top adviser to President Ronald Reagan's cabinet, Levin eventually became Associate Director of Presidential Personnel and Chief of Staff to Attorney General Edwin Meese. In 2001 the American Conservative Union named him the recipient of the prestigious Ronald Reagan Award. Mark Levin is one of America's preeminent conservative commentators and constitutional lawyers. He currently practices law in the private sector, heading up the prestigious Landmark Legal Foundation in Washington, DC.

The Mark Levin Show is the 4th most-listened to talk show, tied with The Laura Ingraham Show. Mark has 5.5 million listeners weekly. He manages to come up with a passionate new twist on the day's top news events, as well as his own unique information. For many years Mark was a frequent contributor to The Rush Limbaugh Show, and The Sean Hannity Show. Hannity has nicknamed Levin "The Great One." Levin and Hannity continue to contribute to each others programs frequently. Levin uses his radio program to promote The Freedom Concerts, an annual benefit concert to aid the families of fallen soldiers. He is also involved with Troopathon, a charity which sends care packages to soldiers overseas.

Please RSVP by March 2nd to Mimi Frank at: [mimifrankart@yahoo.com](mailto:mimifrankart@yahoo.com) or (310) 651-4610. Ticket cost is \$25. Books are available for \$20 each (20% discount) This event is open to all RFW clubs in Southern Ca. Tickets are not available at the door, and event is selling out fast!



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## President's Message

by Patti Adair

Dear Friends,

We have had a very busy month. We just finished our healthcare panel with Dr. Richard Johnson, Dr. Richard Corlin, Dr. Robert Adair and Mark Grady, Professor of Law at UCLA. The topic was extremely timely and the panel's presentation may be repeated later this year for the Irene Dunne Guild of Saint John's Hospital. Please let me know if you would be interested in attending if you missed our presentation at Bel-Air Country Club. We also distributed tort facts that were prepared by Craig Dummit, founding partner of Dummit, Buchholz and Trapp. The presentation was beneficial and highlighted the complexities of healthcare.



The remarkable Mark Levin will be joining us for his book signing and remarks on Saturday, March 6th, at the Four Seasons, Westlake Village. The event is twenty-five dollars per person and the book, *Liberty and Tyranny* is available for twenty dollars. Please IMMEDIATELY mail in your check to our post office box to reserve your spot. We are expecting to sell out soon, so please RSVP right away.

Ariana and I had the privilege of meeting Michele Bachmann. Congressman Bachmann has been targeted by the Democrats to be removed this Fall. She is an amazing leader. Remember she started the call for the HealthCare rally last August in Washington. Forty-five thousand Americans showed up to support the cause. Michele is the mother of five children and over twenty foster children. Her personal evaluation of the downfall of public education in America was enlightening. She strongly recommended that it is critical that each state control its own public education. President Carter's implementation of federal standards seems to coincide with the decline of public education in America. She highlighted the educational program that Jeb Bush started in Florida. This public school program has had excellent results.

Programs Co-Chair Alexandra Wolver is organizing California politicians for our April 19th meeting. We are hosting CIA author, John Kiriakou, and a troop packing party in May. Thank you to Cindy Linke for the wonderful Valentines sent to our troops in Afghanistan.

Overall, it is great to say that it has been a very bold and fresh month in Southern California. Please keep up the faxes and calls to Washington and Sacramento. You are making a difference.

Most fondly,

Patti Adair Co-President

## HealthScare Panel

by Cindy Atha

On Friday, February 19, Malibu/Bel-Air Republican Women Federated hosted a Healthcare Panel at the Bel Air Country Club to discuss the potential impact of the US House and Senate versions of the healthcare bill on patients, physicians, and insurers. Approximately 75 Republican women and their guests attended the luncheon program.

The panel featured Dr. Richard Johnson, Dr. Richard Corlin, Dr. Robert Adair, and Mark Grady, Esq., collectively representing expertise in the delivery of healthcare in private practice, academia, and government. They discussed the need for health care financing reform but pointed out the deficiencies of the current legislation in front of Congress. In particular, the panel detailed how the current health care bill would add too much of a burden on Medicaid due to financial shortfalls and the lack of physicians to provide services to the additional patients. Similarly, they felt that the reduction of funding to Medicare could create access challenges to both physician care and medical procedures.

The healthcare panel generally stated that they would like to see a healthcare bill that addresses the rising costs of healthcare but also includes tort reform, assistance with medical education expenses, and expanded medical school class sizes to educate more physicians.

Dr. Corlin put forth one idea of possibly loaning medical students tuition money and allowing them as new physicians to work for a couple of years in medically disadvantaged areas to repay the loans. In summarizing one impact of the escalating rise of healthcare costs as it relates to GDP, Dr. Adair stated, "We have to decrease the 17.6% spent in 2009 on medicine in this country. This expense has led to more outsourcing, and we need jobs."



Dr. Richard Johnson, Dr. Richard Corlin, Dr. Robert Adair, Mark Grady, Esq.

## Membership

**Thank You to everyone who has joined or renewed their membership, listed on the attached sheet.**

**Please contact me with any concerns.**

**Thank you,**

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## CARB Diesel "Science"

By James E. Enstrom, Ph.D., M.P.H

Research Professor

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A February 26, 2010 California Air Resources Board (CARB) Symposium in Sacramento will address an important scientific controversy surrounding costly diesel emissions regulations in California. This symposium will debate the epidemiologic evidence relating fine particulate air pollution to premature deaths in California. The CARB's interpretation of this evidence has been used to justify regulations that could cost the California trucking and construction industries up to \$20 billion to implement.

I will make the case that a full and fair evaluation of the California evidence shows that the regulations are not scientifically justified and are one of the reasons that the California economy is doing so poorly. More information about the Symposium can be found at this CARB website: [http://www.arb.ca.gov/research/health/pm-mort/pm-mort-ws\\_02-26-10.htm](http://www.arb.ca.gov/research/health/pm-mort/pm-mort-ws_02-26-10.htm).

Background on the controversy is given in the December 4, 2009 San Diego Union-Tribune editorial shown below: <http://www.signonsandiego.com/news/2009/dec/04/still-shameful-air-boards-response-scandal-appalli/>.

Beginning with two editorials in late December 2008, this editorial page repeatedly has criticized the California Air Resources Board for its headline-hunting decision to adopt unprecedentedly sweeping and costly diesel-emission rules at its meeting earlier that month. Soon after that meeting, we had confirmed that Hien Tran – lead author and coordinator of the study justifying the rules – lied about having a Ph.D. in statistics from the University of California Davis.

Our subsequent reporting showed senior air board officials from Chairwoman Mary Nichols down knew of Tran's academic fraud before the Dec. 12, 2008, vote but chose not to inform the public, the media or most of the board members who voted for the diesel rules. The outrageousness of this deceit is finally being acknowledged. One of the board members who was kept in the dark – Fresno cardiologist John Telles – learned of the deception earlier this fall. Now Telles and another board member, San Diego County Supervisor Ron Roberts, are calling for suspension of the diesel rules.

But the reaction from the agency's hierarchy and board members to this common-sense request has been obtuse to the extreme. Chief Counsel Ellen M. Peter told Telles that the board officials' failure to reveal the deception before the Dec. 12 vote didn't amount to a violation of proper procedures.

In a letter he co-wrote that was published in the Union-Tribune, board member John Balmes – who was informed of Tran's fraud by e-mail on Dec. 11, 2008, and failed to tell Telles and other colleagues about it – rejected all criticism of the air board for its actions in the Tran matter. But in an e-mail to Telles, he said "in retrospect" the Tran report should have been withdrawn – which can't be reconciled with his public comments.

Nichols is worst of all. In an e-mail to Telles, she acknowledged Tran's fraud was "illegal and unethical" and apologized for not disclosing it to the full board before the vote. But she characterized the matter as a "distraction" and a "stupid personal problem" – not a real scandal.

It was, is and will continue to be a real scandal until the rules are suspended and a new study is done. It is worth remembering why the scandal ever came to light: because UCLA epidemiologist James E. Enstrom was so dismayed by the study's omission of crucial evidence that he began looking into Tran's background.

Enstrom needs to be given a chance to present the omitted evidence – and be taken seriously. He has been a fellow of the American College of Epidemiology since 1981. Tran? The Ph.D. he provided to his air board bosses when his UC Davis deceit emerged was from a diploma mill based at a Manhattan UPS store.

Yet Tran still works for the agency as a researcher. He was demoted, not fired. This speaks volumes about Mary Nichols' air board. As long as your "research" promotes ever-more-costly regulations, you're indispensable.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

#### April 19

*Candidates Forum Luncheon – meet your Republican Candidates running for local offices*

#### May 6

*Evening reception with John Kiriakou, author of **THE RELUCTANT SPY: My Secret Life in the CIA's War on Terror***

#### May 25

*Packing Party  
Support the troops by preparing care packages.*

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Like fire, it is a dangerous servant and a  
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George Washington**