

# THE ELEPHANT

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## THE DOMESTIC & GLOBAL EFFECTS OF OBAMACARE

THURSDAY, MARCH 20th  
MEETING STARTS AT 11:30 AM  
RIVIERA COUNTRY CLUB

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Rebecca Gray Grossman has worked extensively in the healthcare field for over a decade as a researcher, journalist and marketing executive.

She owned and operated a medical marketing business, Medi-Marketing and Associates, and later founded Advanced Laser Specialist, Inc.

In 1997 the company merged with Physiologic Repts, Inc. in Glendale, California where she was appointed Director of Marketing and focused on marketing strategies and corporate profile development. After marrying respected, Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeon, Dr. Peter Grossman of The Grossman Burn Center she realized a need for the public to have access to the latest medical research and treatments, in turn, centering on her career as a journalist.

Rebecca took on the position as Chair of The Grossman Burn Foundation (GBF) in 2006. GBF is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization and signature projects include helping to open the first highly specialized reconstructive surgery and burn center in Kabul, Afghanistan, publishing a Humanitarian Assistance manual for worldwide distribution, developing a Triage Training Program for physicians in developing countries and Project Faith, an ongoing program to support the needs of burn victims.

Rebecca and Peter have two children and reside outside Los Angeles, California. They are both involved with a number of charitable organizations

In 2009, The Bayat Foundation honored Rebecca and Peter with the Humanitarian and Leadership Engagement Award in Washington D.C. and are both active members of the U.S. Afghan Women's Council working closely with Vice Chair Laura Bush.

Most recently, Rebecca became the Publisher of Westlake Magazine (founded in 1992) launching Powerhouse Lux Media, Inc. and Pandora Apps, a cutting edge mobile application development and marketing company.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

March 20<sup>th</sup>: Rebecca Grossman

Topic: The Domestic & Global Effects of ObamaCare  
Palisades Riviera Country Club  
Cost: \$30

Please **NO DENIM** and **RSVP** to Rosemarie as soon as possible. We would like to have a preliminary count by March 17<sup>th</sup>

RSVP: 310.456.3190 or  
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April 3<sup>rd</sup>: Candidates Forum  
Palisades Lutheran Church  
15905 W. Sunset Boulevard  
Pacific Palisades  
Time: 7:30 PM

April 17<sup>th</sup>: Wendy Borchardt  
Palisades Rivera Country Club  
Cost: \$30



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*"Dedicated to promoting freedom, equality and justice – the principles on which this country was founded"*

## President's Message

*Dear Members and Associates,*

This year is such an important one politically, involving numerous social and economic issues that impact our daily lives. We have many local elections for the California State Legislature and US Congress in the western part of Los Angeles City and County, where MBARWF members live. It is imperative that we, the Republican Women Federated, participate in these elections. Please help those Republican candidates that share your values, particularly those candidates who have some chance of winning in November.

As you all know, we live in a heavily Democratic area that has very few Republican office holders. However, we have a chance of some Republican victories this year because of the unpopularity of President Obama and Democratic policies. National issues in our favor include ObamaCare, IRS targeting of conservative groups, and the Benghazi-Clinton cover-up. California issues in our favor include the California water crisis largely due to extreme environmental policies, looming increases in LADWP water and power rates largely due to the "Green Agenda," looming property tax increases to pay for street and sidewalk repairs, and two California State Senators who could be expelled for illegal conduct.

Remember the famous statement by Plato "One of the penalties for refusing to participate in politics is that you end up being governed by your inferiors." This year we must begin the effort to take California back from the Democrats. We, the Republican Women Federated, must not allow our state to continue to have a Democratic Governor and a Democratic super majority in the California Legislature.

We need to become "community organizers," using the successful tactics of President Obama. We cannot let the President and his Chicago machine be the only ones using these tactics. Tell all your Republican friends that they need to get active. Tell your friends who are "independents" that we are the party of Abraham Lincoln. Emphasize that we believe in individual liberty and free enterprise and limiting government to those things that people cannot do for themselves. Less government leads to more prosperity, lower taxes, and greater freedom.

**Get involved!**

Marta Enstrom

Co-President

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### **March Book Recommendation** by Dr. Laura Trice

***Push Back, Reclaiming the American Judeo-Christian Spirit*** by Aryeh Spero

[Click here](#) for link to purchase on Amazon

This is a short and prolific book that chronicles America's founding and greatness while showing the unique values and morals that resulted in our one of a kind country. Spero is a frequent guest on Fox News. After hearing him speak at an event and learning so much, I couldn't put this amazing book down. It was inspiring to discover so much about my own country's wonderfulness. It has given me courage and confidence to speak up and hope for America.

Rabbi Spero is one of America's foremost authorities on the nexus of faith and freedom. Through an historic analysis of the founding of this nation and the intent of the forebearers, he offers a very thoughtful blueprint for the recovery of American pride and American exceptionalism. This book will give the reader hope for the future of our nation." --Lieutenant General William G. Boykin, U.S. Army (Retired)

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS



Dear friends,

I think we can all agree that the Republican party--especially in California--is facing some big challenges. It's easy to be discouraged, and that's just what the liberals would have us do. But I see it differently: I see opportunity. I see the opportunity to rebuild and reconfigure in a way that addresses real issues for real people. And that's where all of us come in. We need to be talking with our families, friends, neighbors and co-workers. And new people! One-on-one, one at a time. Discussing values, passions and self-interest.

Organizations that aren't growing are dying. We are at a crossroads: Are we going to let the Republican party die? I challenge you to do three things in 2014:

\* *Listen.* First, find out what those you encounter want in an organization, what's missing from their lives, what's they're looking for. Maybe we have something to offer, a way to engage in a meaningful way.

\* *Make them feel special.* Take a personal interest and out what their skills are, what they're interested in pursuing. We need all kinds of talented people, and they're more likely to get involved if we can match them to a specific role.

\* *Ask them to join.* Sounds obvious, but some people are waiting to be asked. They won't join without an invitation. And those who decline can still give you some valuable information--do they have more questions, is it a matter of time and money, etc. You might be able to follow up in the future with a different result.

Now is the time to join or renew your 2014 membership. You can mail a check to our post office box or use PayPal via our web site. While you're at it, please also make sure your contact information and preferences are up-to-date for the directory, e-mail and telephone communication.

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### WOULD YOU LIKE A NAMETAG?



To order, please see the membership application. Complementary name tags are available upon request to Platinum and Diamond sponsors.

## THANK YOU FOR RENEWING FOR 2014 AND WELCOME OUR NEW ASSOCIATE MEMBER!

#### NEW MEMBERS

#### RENEWING SPONSORS

##### Platinum Sponsors

Jacqueline Burdorf  
Marta Enstrom

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Ann Ascher  
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Laura Trice

#### NEW ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Cindy Barrientos

#### ASSOCIATE RENEWALS

Jim Enstrom  
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Mario Koger  
Joana Gallo Marsteller



**AMERICANISM REPORT** by Cindy Linke

The Americanism Committee (Ruthie Loeb and Cindy Linke) would like to send every member who donated for the troops or attended our last Packing Party, an enormous, well-deserved THANK YOU!

Literally hundreds of volunteers showed up ready to work and often with their arms loaded with gifts for our heroes. (Jacqueline and Deborah Burdorf brought so many supplies it took 6 people to unload their vans.) The volunteers enjoyed delicious food prepared by Chef John and the great cooks among our membership who brought something homemade from their kitchens.

Volunteers spent many productive hours assembling goodies and writing letters for our beloved troops. Those in attendance represented all age groups, from 7 young grammar school children to a female World War II Vet; and community residents from all walks of life, including members of the City Council, the Senior Center, 6 sailors from Point Hueme, Pepperdine students, and caring residents from Malibu and neighboring communities.

All who attended enjoyed the authentic World War II Jeep that was loaned to us for the day by former Navy Commander, Daniel Stark. Everyone there had one purpose - to show their appreciation for our deserving soldiers. Together we assembled a record 3000 beautiful packages! You could say it was truly America at work.

We're so proud of what our Club has accomplished. All we can say is, Malibu/ Bel Air Republican Women.... "Well done!"

Cindy Linke and Ruthie Loeb  
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Inherent vice of capitalism is the unequal sharing of blessings; the inherent virtue of socialism is the equal sharing of miseries. — [Winston Churchill](#)