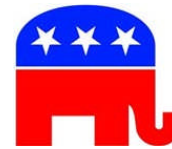


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**IT'S TED GAINES SPEAKING ABOUT THE GIULIANI CAMPAIGN  
AND SOCIALIZE WITH YOUR FRIENDS IN MAY AT RIVER CITY**

**May 15, 2007 in the Ose Room located at: Channel 6, KVIE**

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**The social hour starts at 6:30 PM and the general meeting starts at 7:15 PM.**

**Ted Gaines** represents the people of the 4th Assembly District, taking in all or parts of Alpine, Placer, El Dorado and Sacramento County.

A 5th generation resident of Roseville and local small businessman, Ted is proud of his deep roots in the Foothills.

Ted's family first came to Placer County during the Gold Rush when his great, great grandfather James Kaseberg built and owned a sheep ranch next to the present day site of the Placer County Fair Grounds. The ranch home from the 1860's still stands in Roseville.

Upon graduating with a degree in Business Administration from Lewis and Clark College in Oregon, Ted returned home to follow his dreams of being a small business owner. Today, twenty five years later, Ted is running his own successful business, serving as the owner of Point West Insurance of Sacramento.

Ted began his service in local government on the City of Roseville's Planning Commission from 1997 to 1999. He was then elected to the Placer County Board of Supervisors in 2000 and reelected in 2004.

He served the people of Placer County on several key Board committees, as well as the Auburn Dam Coalition; Golden Sierra Job Training Partnership; Placer County Transportation Agency; Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG); and Sacramento Area Commerce and Trade Organization (SACTO). **Please go to Page 2, Column 1.**

## **LAST MONTH AT RIVER CITY** by Robert Evans

David Reade, Chief of Staff for Assemblyman Doug Lamalfa spoke to the members of River City at our April meeting about the Candidacy of former Governor Mitt Romney.

Mr. Reade gave a very enthusiastic endorsement of Governor Romney; but he also said: "We have three candidates at the top of the polls, any one of which will do a fine job - a very good job" as President.

Mr. Reade went on to say that Governor Romney is widely recognized for his leadership and his accomplishment in both business and public service.

Governor Romney was first elected in 2002 and he "presided over a dramatic reversal of" Massachusetts finances. Mr. Romney refused to **Please go to Page 2, Column 2.**

**Ted Gaines (Continued)**

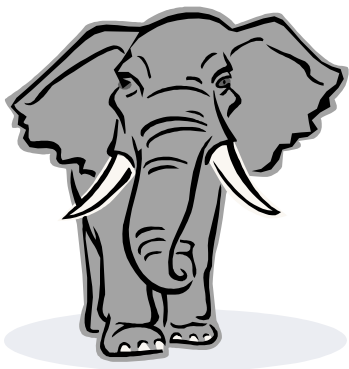
As a member of the Board of Supervisors, Ted fought tirelessly for the principles of limited government and individual and fiscal responsibility. His experience as a small business owner has helped Ted bring a pro-business perspective to government.

In addition to his service in local government, Ted has been very involved in professional and community service activities. He is an honorary member of the Roseville Rotary Club, is a graduate of the Roseville Chamber Leadership Program and is a longtime member of Bayside Covenant Church. Ted chaired the South Placer National Day of Prayer Breakfast in 2004 and serves on the Honorary Committee for the Peace for Families Capitol Campaign.

Ted previously served as President of the Independent Insurance Agents and Brokers of Sacramento.

In 2006, Ted was elected to serve the people of the 4th Assembly District.

Ted has been married to his beautiful wife Beth since 1985. Beth and Ted live in Roseville and are blessed with six children.



**LAST MONTH AT RIVER CITY (Continued)**

raise taxes and he streamlined government programs and enacted economic reforms to stimulate growth in Massachusetts. This effort resulted in closing a \$3 billion budget shortfall and moved the state from deficits to surpluses and helped the state add approximately 60,000 jobs in the last two years.



Governor Mitt Romney

Governor Romney's top priority was to reform the education system and to help he established a scholarship program to reward the top twenty-five percent of Massachusetts high school students with a four-year tuition-free scholarship to any Massachusetts public university or college. He also instituted education reforms including merit pay, emphasis on math and science, intervention for failing schools and English immersion for foreign language speaking students.

Another priority was private, market-based health insurance for every Massachusetts citizen, without government takeover and without raising taxes.

Unfortunately, Mr. Reade did not go into any length about what Governor Romney intends to do if he is elected President in 2008, other than to say that keeping the nation safe from terrorist attack, continuing the Bush tax cuts and streamlining and reducing the size and cost of government are Governor Romney's top priorities.

Mr. Reade's talk was very well received by the members present and we look forward to having Mr. Reade as our speaker in the future.

**ON THIS DATE IN MAY:**

May 6, 1960 - President Dwight Eisenhower signs Republicans' Civil Rights Act of 1960, overcoming 125 hours of around-the-clock filibuster by 18 Senate Democrats.

May 10, 2001 - President George W. Bush nominates Miguel Estrada to be the first Hispanic to serve on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit; Democrats in the Senate successfully filibustered the nomination.

May 10, 1866 - U. S. House passes Republicans' 14th Amendment guaranteeing due process and equal protection of the laws to all citizens; 100% of Democrats vote NO.

May 17, 1954 - Chief Justice Earl Warren, three-term Republican Governor of California and Republican vice presidential nominee in 1948, wins unanimous support of the Supreme Court for school designation in Brown v. Board of Education.

May 22, 1856 - For denouncing Democrats' pro-slavery policy, Republican U. S. Senator Charles Summer (R-MA) is beaten nearly to death on the floor of the Senate by U. S. Representative Preston Brooks (D-SC).

May 23, 2003 - Senator Sam Brownback (R-KS) introduces bill to establish National Museum of African American History and Culture.

May 29, 1902 - Virginia Democrats implement new state constitution, condemned by Republicans as illegal, reducing African-American voter registration by 86%.



The Honorable Dave Cox

### PRISON CONSTRUCTION AND REHABILITATION

By Senator Dave Cox

On April 26th, the Legislature passed Assembly Bill 900 which will start the process of building 53,000 new state prison and local jail beds in California. I supported this legislation because of the urgency of the prison overcrowding situation in our state, and the possibility of federal judges taking actions that would be injurious to public safety. This package is a compromise plan that upholds my commitments to making public safety a top priority and to provide assistance and funding to local communities that have suffered because of the impacts of state prisons in the past.

These additional prison beds provided by this legislation will prevent the early release of dangerous criminals back into our neighborhoods as has been threatened by federal courts currently reviewing the California prison system for poor health care and treatment of inmates with mental illnesses.

AB 900 includes much needed funding to lessen the negative impacts of prisons on our local communities. \$300 million dollars is dedicated to improve water treatment and other environmental problems at state prisons. Some of these funds will be used for Mule Creek State Prison to improve its water treatment

plant to prevent the continuance of groundwater pollution in the City of Ione in Amador County.

The Governor and Corrections Secretary Tilton have also assured me that they are committed to address the adverse impacts of current prison facilities on local communities. Part of the funds committed by AB 900 to construction projects will be used to mitigate the impact of the increased inmate populations on local communities.

While I do not like everything in this compromise measure, I am satisfied that it has the necessary amount of funding to pay for impacts on local communities, and more importantly, it protects public safety by preventing the early release of prisoners from state prisons.

### HAVE A LAUGH

#### Life After Death

“Do you believe in life after death?” the boss asked one of his employees.

“Yes sir” the new employee replied.

“Well then, that makes everything just fine,” the boss went on. “After you left early yesterday to go to your grandmother’s funeral, she stopped in to see you.”

#### Climb The Walls

“Oh, I sure am happy to see you” the little boy said to his grandmother on his mother’s side. “Now maybe daddy will do the trick he has been promising us.”

The grandmother was curious: “What trick is that?” she asked. “I heard him tell mommy that he would be climbing the walls if you came to visit” the little boy answered.

### 2007 REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

By Robert Evans

The California Republican Party hosted 132 County chairmen, treasurers and leaders from throughout California at the Four Points Sheraton in Fresno on May 5.

The 2007 Leadership Conference was a full day of meetings and briefings on campaign finance and county party building where county chairmen, treasurers and leaders left Fresno with a stronger understanding of what it takes to build a more powerful county membership organizations in their own counties.

Craig MacGlashan (Chairman of the Sacramento County Republican Central Committee), Carl Burton and Robert Evans attended the chairman’s meeting, where we received a strategic briefing from Keen Butcher, Ron Nehring and Mike Kamburowski. Next, we learned about building a strong party (Tom Clark), strategic planning for county committees (Ron Nehring), effective county committee meetings (Cindy Chin, Josh Trevino and Tom Del Beccaro), voter registration tactics and voter turnout tactics (Jay McCleskey), the importance of local elections, endorsements and member communications (Keen Butcher and Ron Nehring), campaign finance (Keith Carlson), direct mail and personal solicitation (Elizabeth Sanford and Keen Butcher), donor clubs ((Tony Krvaric) and finally, on-line tools for fundraising (Ron Nehring). A long program, packed with useful information.



## IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

By Robert Evans

### Democrats Ban 'War on Terrorism' Phrase

The House Armed Services Committee has banned the phrase "global war on terrorism" from the 2008 Defense Authorization Act.

Committee Chairman Ike Skelton, a Missouri Democrat, said the move is intended to differentiate between battles fought in Iraq and those fought in Afghanistan.

A memo from a committee staffer lists as acceptable phrases "the war in Iraq" and "the war in Afghanistan," The Washington Times reported.

"The Iraq war is separate and distinct from the war against terrorists, who have their genesis in Afghanistan and who attacked us on September 11," Skelton said.

White House spokesman Scott Stanzel responded: "It makes you wonder if House Democrats don't think the challenge we are facing is global, if it is not a war or if the threat we confront is not terrorism."

House Minority Leader John Boehner, an Ohio Republican, weighed in: "The attempt by Democrats to erase the words 'global' and 'terror' from our current war is an absurd effort to deny the

fact that America is battling terrorism on a global scale."

And Boehner's spokesman Brian Kennedy said: "What's next, banning the use of the phrase 'tax hike'?"

### FACTS FROM THE WORLD BANK

By Robert Evans

The world's GDP (official exchange rate basis) in 2005 was over \$44 trillion.

In 2006, it is estimated that this grew by about 4.5 percent making the 2006 number about \$46 trillion (final numbers are still not available).

Of this \$46 trillion, the U.S. and the EU account for about \$13 trillion each, or 52 percent of the total. Japan is about \$5 trillion or about 11 percent. The United Kingdom (Britain) accounts for just over \$2 trillion or about 4.5 percent. China comes in at about \$2.5 trillion or about 5 percent.

All of these, a total of five countries account for nearly 75 percent of the world's GDP. The balance of 25 percent plus is distributed amongst 172 separate and economically accounted for countries.



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Honorable Roger Niello

## STATE GOVERNMENT IMPROVES ONLINE EFFICIENCY

By Assemblyman Roger Niello

Slowly but surely, State Government gets easier to navigate. Thanks to recent changes in the way the State has implemented its online services, it is easier than ever for taxpayers to access necessary information and services and do business with the state online. Consumers can now interface quickly and easily with several state agencies through the internet and while the innovation hasn't come about as quickly as it did in the private sector, the state has entered the 21st century and citizens should be looking to take advantage of this online "renaissance" of state services.

Many of these agencies and services have been online for some time, however it has only been recently that complete website integration and more intuitive portal access has been available. If one visits the state portal at [www.my.ca.gov](http://www.my.ca.gov), the changes can be easily seen. Online services that consist of everything from the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to the State Franchise Tax Board to the ability to pay local parking tickets is now available on the State's online portal.

While the California DMV was one of the nation's first motor vehicle

department to offer online services to customers, only recently did the DMV begin to add to the number of available online services and make business with this state agency a much more pleasant experience. In recent years, Vehicle Registration Internet Renewals have increased substantially, increasing nearly 34 percent in 2006 from 2005. And since September of 2004, nearly 1 million drivers have renewed their licenses online.

The DMV will continue to add a new online feature every 120 days, but currently, in addition to license and registration renewals, customers of the DMV can also purchase personalized plates, check the license status of driver's education or traffic schools, file change of address forms, calculate fees and taxes due, request refunds, and make appointments to visit local DMV offices. In addition, driver's handbooks, parent-teen training guides and more are all available on this much-improved site. Like going to the dentist, dealing with the DMV is probably never be something any of us will want to do, but the online capabilities of the DMV website have turned this agency into a place that isn't nearly as burdensome for the motoring public.

Several other innovations in State websites have also emerged in recently. 21 California counties now let you pay your parking tickets through a link on the state's main portal. One of our favorite spots on the State Portal is a link to the State Controller's site that allows citizens to search a database for unclaimed property. The State of California is holding more than \$5.1 billion in unclaimed property. These assets have been turned over to the State for safekeeping by banks, businesses, and other organizations as required by law, and last year, more than 328,000 accounts were returned, with the average amount being returned

nearly \$900.

For those trying to make a living by finding work or starting a small business, job listings through the Employment Development Department, and a "business portal" that provides access to information on business licensing and permits, taxes, and general business start-up information is available. Those looking to do business with the state can find information available regarding bidding on state contracts.

Anyone planning to visit or tour California can now access information on the state's parks as well as a link to the state park reservation system. Weather and up-to-date road information is available in addition to a link to tour and travel websites. Hunting and fishing information from the Department of Fish and Game and maps of the state can also be accessed through the portal.

Technology and the internet have made access to our government easier and more efficient. In today's fast-paced world, that is extremely important for all of us. No one should be forced to stand in the line at the DMV and waste valuable time out of their day to perform a simple transaction and dealing with government shouldn't make for a complicated or stressful situation. Fortunately, the State of California is catching on, and, like the private sector, has found that internet innovation can be an efficient tool for serving its customers.

A link to the state's portal is available on my website at [www.assembly.ca.gov.niello](http://www.assembly.ca.gov.niello). And you should always feel free to let me know of your experiences with state government, positive or negative, by phoning my district office at (916) 349-1995, or sending an email to [assemblymember.niello@assembly.ca.gov](mailto:assemblymember.niello@assembly.ca.gov).



Carl Burton, President

**HELP REGISTER VOTERS**  
by Carl Burton

At the April meeting of the Sacramento County Republican Party Central Committee I was elected to serve as the Vice Chairman in charge of registration programs for our county. Voter registration is critical to expanding the Republican Party in Sacramento County and for electing more Republicans to public office.

I know that Republican volunteers like you are anxious to expand our ranks even further as the 2008 election approaches. Using information from the County Register of Voters, I have prepared a report on voter statistics for our county. If you would like a copy of the report let me know and I will make sure you get a one.

California Republican Party Chairman Ron Nehring has instituted a voter registration program called "Operation Bounty" which is based on a volunteer-driven model that has proven successful in past years. Under the program, the Central Committee members and volunteer clubs (like Republicans of River City) will receive a \$3 per verified registration of new Republican voters to help support their organization. However, do to the federal McCain-Feingold law, the bounty program can only run through Oct 5, 2007.

In Sacramento we have many events where we can register voters, such as the New Citizens ceremony each month. We also have the Sacramento County Fair and the State Fair, plus a number of other local events. We can also register voters in front of stores or at shopping malls. And if a store manager objects just tell him the Supreme Court says you have a first Amendment right to do the work.

If you want to stop Hillary Clinton from becoming the next President, please join with other Republicans volunteers and give some of your time and energy to the registration effort. If you can't volunteer the time then please make a contribution to Republicans of River City so we can hire young Republicans to help us at local events.

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I am a registered Republican and would like to join Republicans of River City.

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