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*See you on
December 2
at the
CPOC
Fantasy
of
Trees*

WE VOTED!

November 16, 2023 Meeting Highlights



Featured Speaker
JAMES P. BRADLEY
Candidate - U.S. Senate



Hon. Claude Parrish, OC Assessor
with his wife Noel (in green) &
Cheryl Frink co-chair Election Integrity



SNEAK PEAK:
Make OC Great Again website
Web Designer Walter Nirenberg
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Data Manager Jennye Bigelow

With friends, enjoying a
traditional Thanksgiving feast.



Following a traditional Thanksgiving dinner we heard from James Bradley, candidate for U.S. Senate. Also, CPOC Education Officer Linda Cone (bottom photo) provided updates on issues at local school boards. AND, a powerful open discussion from the floor with members sharing their thoughts on different candidates running for local, state and national office. Then we voted with paper ballots!

Below: President Deborah Pauly, left, recognizes Newsletter Editor Robin Itzler with CPOC's Hold the Line award.



Members shared their thoughts about a variety of candidates ... then we voted! Below are a few of the many speakers.



And our 50/50
opportunity
drawing worth
\$129.

*SO VERY
thankful*

PAULY'S PERSPECTIVE

A Message from Our President Deborah Pauly, Esq.



Like a Pride of Lions, Conservative Patriots Are on 'the Hunt' and Plan to Restore Orange County to Greatness in 2024

As 2023 draws to a close, we should reflect with gratitude and some level of amazement at just how far Conservative Patriots of Orange County (CPOC) has come in only two years!

The CPOC was chartered Oct. 12, 2021, and was uniquely established to be a completely autonomous, political not-for-profit that was locally focused and non-partisan in nature.

From the initial 13 members, we have grown to over 310 members...and not just any 300 people, but the **very best kind of people**. We add new members almost daily. It's an honor to be working with them. The work they accomplish and the manner in which they do it, is quite remarkable. We have a wide range of robust and engaged committees to include Election Integrity, Education, Ad Hoc Accountability, America First Reform Caucus, and the most recently launched Legal Action Committee. We are preparing to launch the Youth Patriots Committee in 2024.

Our monthly meetings are dynamic, spirited and filled with well-directed energy. Please, see the report on November's open floor discussions and debate, plus the results of our paper ballot endorsement votes in this Special December Edition.

As a non-partisan organization, CPOC is open to a broad spectrum of political affiliations. We welcome those who identify as independents, no party preference and Libertarians, in addition to Republicans and Democrats. The only litmus test is that members profess adherence to the values and principles of our nation's founding as contained in the Constitution of the United States of America.

Political Parties in America



At its core, CPOC supports limited government, local control, sound fiscal management, the free market and holding elected officials accountable. However, we may soon be adding "Individual Freedom," "Human Dignity," and "Peace through Strength" to our core tenants to more closely align with the principles outlined by Speaker of the House Mike Johnson as he took up the gavel just a little over one month ago.

In December 2021, CPOC held its inaugural Fantasy of Trees with 185 members and guests attending. We raised enough money to cautiously and VERY conservatively launch operations. In December 2023, we have over 230 guests ready to enjoy our traditional kick-off to the Christmas and Chanukah season.

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We have added some amazing silent auction items to our offerings this year, including a \$2,000 Authenticate G&L (George Fullerton and Leo **Fender**) Electric Guitar; a two night getaway to a private garden condo with a life sized dollhouse in Newport Beach; and a complimentary round for four players donated by our Fantasy of Trees hosts, the Anaheim Hills Golf Course. Of course, guests will drop tickets to win from the dazzling display of 30 3-foot tall, theme-decorated Christmas Trees, dripping with all manner of gifts and cash.

We can't wait to see you this Saturday, December 2 to enjoy this special time of celebration, camaraderie and good cheer. I can unequivocally state that we have met our mission to connect and serve the patriot community in Orange County in 2023.

Let's come back roaring like a lion in 2024.
Together we can Make Orange County Great Again.



Members Discuss, Debate and Vote by Paper Ballot on Federal Level Races

At the regularly scheduled November 16 general membership meeting, as was noticed 30-days prior in October, CPOC members participated in open floor discussion on seven federal level races touching Orange County. Races were taken, in turn, and members were given ample opportunity to share their views and insights on the candidates, their research into history and voting records, experiences with that candidate and other factors that should be considered in endorsement votes.

There were several debate-style exchanges that ensued. A few members were a clear minority — even a minority of one, at some points — and yet the discussions were civil and respectful regardless the points of view being offered. There were also some delightful, lighthearted moments of laughter and a few gasps at some of details that were being unearthed.

Members had been issued ballots at check-in and were free to cast their votes at any time. After more than an hour of deliberations, members were given an opportunity to cast their ballots.

A team consisting of CPOC's co-officers for Election Integrity Susan Stivers and Cheryl Frink, CPOC Chaplain Faith Canedo, CPOC member Father Neil Edlin and CPOC member and EI committee member Chuck Emanuele counted the ballots using the Shasta County Hand Count Voting Plan Method, where checks and double checks are implemented during the ballot counting. Any member could observe the vote tallying process.

Once completed, Father Edlin announced the results from the podium. Many members stayed to hear those results even though it was after 9 before the results were released. The Tally Sheet and Ballots have been retained and are available for inspection.

For President of the United States

Donald J. Trump was the clear favorite, securing 91.5% of the votes.

Vivek Ramaswamy - 2; and one vote each for Chris Christie, Ron Desantis, Nikki Haley and Robert F. Kennedy Jr.

Not one vote was cast that there be NO ENDORSEMENT in this race

For United State Senator

James P. Bradley took a plurality of the votes at 49.2%

Eric Early captured 18 votes; Denise Gary-Pandol - 7; Steve Garvey - 1

7 members voted that NO ENDORSEMENT be made

United States Representative

[38th District](#) - Eric J. Ching secured 85.7% of the vote

8 members voted that NO ENDORSEMENT be made

[40th District](#) - 84.4% of the members voted that NO ENDORSEMENT be made in this race; a clear rejection of incumbent Young Kim, who received only 9 votes to endorse her re-election bid

[45th District](#) - 68.85% of the members voted that NO ENDORSEMENT be made in this race; incumbent Michelle Steel received 19 votes to endorse her re-election bid.

[46th District](#) - Christopher J. Gonzales secured 85.18%

David Pan - 1 vote

7 members voted that NO ENDORSEMENT be made

[47th District](#) - Max Ukropina secured 83.6% of the vote

Scott Baugh - 3 votes

6 members voted that NO ENDORSEMENT be made

CPOC OFFICIAL ENDORSEMENTS 2023

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40th District - No endorsement - 84.4% of the vote

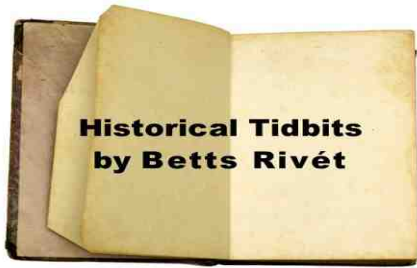
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46th District - Christopher J. Gonzales - 85.18% of the vote

47th District - Max Ukropina - 83.6% of the vote

LET'S GET READY





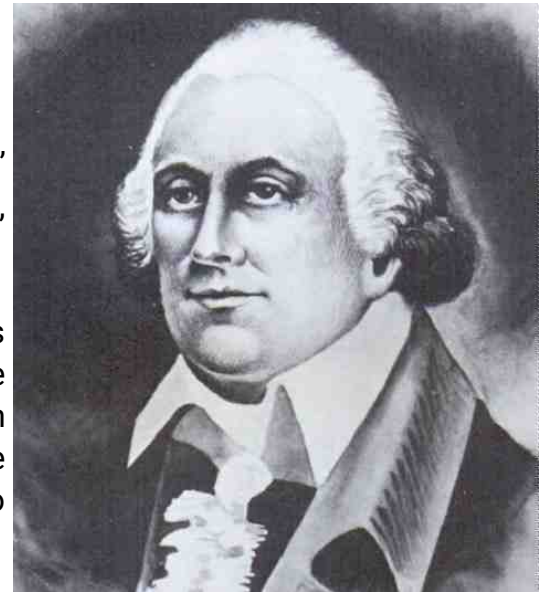
United States of America

by Betts Rivét, Americanism

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here did the name “United States of America” originate? Hold onto your hats as I share the story and trust me, it’s nothing you are expecting!

According to the New York Historic Society, Stephen Moylan was the man responsible for the earliest documented use of the words “United States of America.” Now here is a man born in Ireland in 1737, the son of a prosperous Catholic family. In those days, education was forbidden to Catholics under penal laws so Moylan was smuggled to France to be educated.



After graduating, Moylan worked in Lisbon, Portugal until 1768, when he chose to move to America. He settled in Philadelphia. Shortly after the Revolutionary War began in 1775, Moylan offered his service to George Washington. The brief version: Moylan started as a muster-master (brings order to chaotic units of soldiers). Then he became a quartermaster-general. Finally, a colonel. He had a wide range of experience during the war and knew the consequences of the fighting. So, he came up with an idea that could help end the war.

As Washington’s secretary, Moylan wrote a letter to Colonel Joseph Reed of the Continental Army. He wanted to go to Spain to seek help in the colonies fight against Great Britain “with full and ample powers from the United States of America.” The letter, dated January 1776, has remained in the New York Historic Society’s archives since the Revolutionary War ended. The very act of putting those words in his letter showed Moylan’s vision of what they were fighting for as well as an ingenious title that he thought was applicable for the colonies. Interestingly, Moylan was never sent to Spain.

For years, the presumption was that the phrase “United States of America” first came about when the Continental Congress met in Philadelphia on July 4, 1776, prior to issuing the Declaration of Independence. It is true that those words were bantered about by Thomas Jefferson and others by the time Congress made it official on September 9, 1776 ... seven months AFTER Moylan first used the phrase in his letter.

However, barring any earlier preferences, Stephen Moylan’s letter is the earliest documented evidence of the renaming of the 13 colonies. For that reason, he has been given credit for coining the phrase “United States of America.”

MEET YOUR CPOC 2023 DIRECTORS

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Happy Birthday
to members
with a special day
in December!

“Nobody grows old merely by living a number of years. We grow old by deserting our ideals. Years may wrinkle the skin, but to give up enthusiasm wrinkles the soul.”

— Samuel Ullman

Conservative Patriots of Orange County Mission Statement:

"The Conservative Patriots of Orange County sponsor educational programs and activities to support conservative principles and candidates in all elections. We believe that the Constitution of the United States guarantees the inherent rights of "we the people" by limiting the power of government.

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Board of Supervisors Public Meeting



Orange County Board of Supervisors Failure to Serve

By Cheryl Frink, Co-Chair Election Integrity Committee

Hundreds of letters and months of attendance at the Board of Supervisor meetings have exposed the multitude of failures exhibited by these five officials:

- | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| - Donald Wagner, Chairman | Third District |
| - Andrew Do, Vice Chairman | First District |
| - Vincent Sarmiento | Second District |
| - Doug Chaffee | Fourth District |
| - Katrina Foley | Fifth District |

It is travesty of their fiduciary responsibilities and their oath of office to continue to spend the billions of dollars on programs that have never been audited for quantitative results. These vendors have been awarded million dollar contracts having a post office box for a company address and with a history of performance failures.

There have been contracts given out that are a complete joke. How else can you explain giving a contract for \$9.6 million to the MLB Angels under the guise of mental health awareness? You might be wondering why a baseball team worth over \$2.7 billion needs your tax dollars. In digging into what \$9.6 million actually bought the county it breaks down as follows:

- 500 home game tickets for each sponsored game with the OC Navigator banner.
- Additional promo night giveaways for t-shirts, bobble heads, rally monkeys, and calendars.
- Post-game stadium concert.

A public records request asking who received all those home game tickets and a report on the effectiveness of this program still goes unanswered after six months. The city of Anaheim and their officials are currently under investigation for corruption and collusion with the Angels over a stadium deal. Perhaps it would be wise to consider widening the investigation to include the questionable actions of the Board of Supervisors.

The recent fire that devastated one of the historic hangars at the former Air Base in Tustin is now needing millions of dollars to clean up the asbestos and other chemicals. It has also come to light that the surrounding areas may have toxic ground water.

There is a 22-acre site in Irvine where the County Board of Supervisors approved the development of another Be Well Health facility. They awarded over 200 million dollars to Mind OC to manage this location. This land is the former site of the Marine Corps Air Station. Where

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is the research to prove that the site is viable? Why tie up millions of dollars to develop a health center on property that may be subject to the same toxic conditions as found at the Tustin Air Base?

The Be Well program, under the management of Mind OC, is already under scrutiny for several issues including failure to provide contracted services, lack of credentialed staff, non-compliance and potential fraudulent billing. Telecare is one of those contracted companies that has been guilty of multiply abuses for years yet continued to be a paid millions in tax payer dollars until their recent termination.

Mind OC is the nonprofit that decides which companies to partner with for services. They are now needing to replace the terminated Telecare with a new vendor but the company they selected is not licensed in the State. It may be months before this contracted service is available. The managing director of Mind OC, Marshall Moncrief describes these failures as "a lot of good learning." Mr. Moncrief also serves on the board of the Illumination Foundation which is been cited as a poorly rated vendor by the Board of Supervisors yet continues to get lucrative contracts renewed.

Mind OC has several other unresolved issues. County officials have failed to account for the \$38 million given to Mind OC in 2019 for the Orange campus that failed to meet the required services under contract. Why was this monumental task of oversight awarded to a company like Mind OC in the first place? In 2019 they list having a total of seven employees with only two being full-time. Still the bigger question is why was Doctor Clayton Chau, Orange County's Director of Health who selected Mind OC as the management firm, listed as one of their two full time employees during the same year?



This Board of Supervisors has continued to show a lack of oversight and concern for our county's funds and our future. They have failed to serve the citizens of this county time and again. There is no clearer example of this than the failure to protect the integrity of Orange County elections.

Board members have been presented with factual data showing that in the County's November 2022 election 32,000 ballots were cast and counted by ineligible voters no longer residing in the County or the State. They have seen proof that the Registrar of Voters is mailing out more ballots than registered voters and that every election cycle continues to have over 50,000 ballots returned as undeliverable. The voter rolls have registered names listed with birth years of 1850 and 1900 who are still voting. The Registrar of Voters Bob Page remains in his position in spite of calls from the public to have the Board of Supervisors fire him for his failures to clean up the voter rolls..

These Supervisors have consistently ignored requests to return to precinct voting and opt out of the voters choice act, all of which are within their power to do so. Their lack of concern to be stewards of our Republic and represent the people is unacceptable. The growing lack of faith in our elections is evident in the lack of respect for those holding governmental positions that ignore their sworn oath of office.

Going forward it should no longer be about which party represents you. It is about choosing a strong individual that commits to serve with financial fortitude and the courage to act on behalf of the people.

MAX UKROPINA Candidate for Congress - 47th District

Max Ukropina, who is running for Congress in the 47th Congressional District and spoke at CPOC in October, recently shared that Customs & Border Protection (CPB) just released the latest numbers from the southern border. From Max:

No surprise: Biden's border crisis has broken yet another record.

240,988 illegal immigrants were encountered at the southern border last month, the highest number ever recorded in October and a 353% increase from the average October under President Trump.

Just take a look at the chart! Every October has been bad under Joe Biden, but this year (the black line) takes the cake.

And keep in mind ... these are just the illegal immigrants border patrol *encountered*. These numbers don't include everyone who crossed the border undetected.



BECOME A MEMBER



Conservative Patriots of Orange County

by *Michele Markel*
Membership Chair



Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah Fellow Patriots,

If you want to give someone who lives in/around Orange County a unique gift that they cannot find in any store, consider a one- or two-year membership in Conservative Patriots of Orange County!

And for current members, have you heard about our exciting CPOC membership renewal contest? Everyone who renews their membership for 2024 (or joins for the first time) by no later than Friday, December 1, will have their name placed in the drawing for a very special gift basket. The drawing will take place at our *Fantasy of Trees* celebration the very next day on Saturday, December 2nd. You do not need to be present to win, but to have a chance to win, **RENEW OR JOIN TODAY!**

There are two ways to renew:

- Individual one-year membership \$30
- Couples' one-year membership \$50
- * OR ***
- Individual two-year membership \$50 (savings of \$10)
- Couples' two-year membership \$90 (savings of \$10)

The two-year membership option is currently the most popular as many people appreciate saving money while extending their membership. (With Bidenflation, we all need to save a few dollars when we can!) Plus, you won't need to think about renewing until 2026.

Becoming a member is the only way to be included on our email list to receive the informative monthly newsletter, *Conservative Chronicle*, as well as important news releases and action E-blasts. Since we are heading into a critically important election year it is very necessary to stay informed. Plus, you are helping to support CPOC so we can continue to be your local, active, grassroots, Patriot community organization. Since all officers, board and committee members are volunteers, your dues are used to help with CPOC's operating expenses.

There are three convenient ways to renew:

- ✓ Click [here](#) to conveniently pay online. Simply complete the application and pay with your credit card.
- ✓ Print the application in this newsletter and snail-mail to me with your check for payment. My address is at the bottom of the application.
- ✓ Complete the application and pay in person at our November 16 general meeting. In person you can pay with cash, check, or charge.

Thank you so much for supporting CPOC! Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and Happy New Year!

Blessings, Michele Markel

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Conservative Patriots of Orange County 2024 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The amount of the dues for all classes of membership shall be set by the Board of Directors. The fiscal year shall be the calendar year from January 1 through December 31. Dues for new members accepted into membership after Sept. 1 shall be credited to the following year.

1 year Membership: Individual ___ \$30 Couple ___ \$50
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** It is important that we have your e-mail address. There are times when critical information must be sent to our members ASAP. Your e-mail address will be used ONLY for CPOC purposes.*

Please tell your fellow patriot friends that they can also join CPOC online at:
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I am a registered voter as:
 Republican ___ Independent ___ Libertarian ___ No Party Preference ___
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Applicant's Signature _____ **Date** _____

Make checks payable to CPOC
 Send to: Michele Markel
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If you would like to make an additional donation to CPOC please list amount below and include in your membership check:
Donation: _____

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN
 CONSERVATIVE PATRIOTS OF ORANGE COUNTY**



Around the State

■ California Senator Laphonza Butler, who was appointed to the Senate in October by California Governor Gavin Newsom following Dianne Feinstein's death, announced a few weeks later that she would not seek election for a full term in 2024. All you need to know about the MARYLAND RESIDENT is that Butler is PRO-PRO-PRO-ABORTION.

Now the March primary has four Democrats and four Republicans. The top two of the eight candidates will move onto the general election.

Democrats

Communist Barbara Lee
Marxist Katie Porter
Former reporter Christina Pascucci
Liar Adam Schff

Republicans

James Bradley
Eric Early
Denice Gary-Pandol
Steve Garvey

Remember, in California only registered Republicans can vote in the Republican primary.

■ From the November 1 *Washington Examiner*:

House Democrats are targeting vulnerable Republicans are targeting vulnerable Republicans over their decision to elect Mike Johnson (R-LA) as their newest speaker, accusing GOP lawmakers of appointing a "MAGA Republican extremist" to the highest position in the lower chamber for political gain.

The Congressional Integrity Project launched a new national ad campaign on November 1 targeting 18 vulnerable Republicans representing districts President Joe Biden won in 2020. The ads specifically target the lawmakers over their support of Johnson, who has been a staunch supporter of impeachment investigations into the president, as well as his role in seeking to overturn the results of the 2020 election.

"MAGA Mike Johnson is as extreme as they come but that didn't stop every single Republican Member of Congress, including those from districts won by President Biden, from voting for him," CIP Executive Director Kyle Herrig said in a statement. "They knew he was an extremist and a Trump loyalist who was a top architect in the plot to illegally overthrow the election and that he supports an evidence free impeachment inquiry into President Biden."

California representatives on the list include:

Rep. John Duarte
Rep. Mike Garcia
Rep. Young Kim
Rep. Michelle Steel
Rep. David Valadao

■ Here is a sobering fact: California is the 4th largest economy in the world, and is now importing from foreign countries more than 75 percent of its crude oil demands, to support 9 International airports, 41 Military airports, and three of the largest shipping ports in America!



Around the County

In late October, Carl DeMaio of Reform California, sent out his organization's Voter Guide with ballot and candidate recommendations. We were not surprised to see his selection for Orange County. DeMaio was contacted by *Conservative Chronicle* Newsletter Editor Robin Itzler:

Your 47th Congressional District baffles me. Scott Baugh keeps running and keeps losing. Now that we have an open seat and there is an America First candidate, Max Ukropina, why support Baugh?

Also, America First Matt Gunderson is running in the 49th Congressional district primary against two-term Democrat Mike Levin. No thoughts on him? I haven't yet heard Margarita Wilkinson speak, but her website leaves me with more questions than answers.

This was Carl's response (October 30):

Hi Robin – I'm a realist in politics and sometimes we have to make tough calls and think strategically. When we endorse a reformer, we go ALL IN to support them. IN 47th, we understand the issues with Scott. But Scott will be our nominee, period. If we split the primary, we undercut any chance for a win this cycle.

*I like Matt Gunderson and we're discussing his race and will likely endorse in Wave 2 – out soon.
Best, Carl*

REFORM
CALIFORNIA

NEWS CAMPAIGNS VOTE

U.S. Congress Races

District 40: Young Kim

District 45: Michelle Steel

District 46:

District 47: Scott Baugh

District 49:





Here are links to some articles that Conservative Patriots might want to read.

Read Katherine Daigle's latest column [*Ashes of Heritage*](#) reminding us of the importance of remembering what happened yesterday. She discusses the recent fire at the El Toro Marine Base.

Also, during this Christmas season, you'll want to read Katherine Daigle's column [*Leading the Way to True Redemption: Drawing Wisdom from Deuteronomy*](#).

Robin Itzler's parody about the November Republican National Committee [presidential debate](#) is just as appropriate for the upcoming December event.



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The Lord bless thee, and keep thee;
the Lord make His face shine upon thee,
and be gracious unto thee;
the Lord lift up His countenance upon thee,
and give thee peace.

(Numbers 6:24-26)

- Faith Canedo, Chaplain



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We connect and serve the patriot community in Orange County, California

All who cherish our Constitution are welcome

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Connecting and Serving the Conservative, Liberty-minded Community in Orange County, California

What We Believe

- Limited government,
- Local control,
- Sound fiscal management,
- The free market
- Holding elected officials accountable.

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