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**President’s Report  
Summer 2010**

The NCRCO Board of Directors is providing an opportunity for all that are having conflicting schedules during the conference to attend our annual meeting with a luncheon on Sunday, July 18th from 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm. Please join us to enjoy the company of each other and a great guest speaker.

With the election of Scott Brown in Massachusetts for Ted Kennedy’s Senate seat, this is a great opportunity for Republicans to change the course of counties, state, and federal offices in 2010. November will be the opportunity for Republicans to regain seats and control of the House and Senate in both the Federal and State governments as well as make gains in local elections. It will be very important that we do not fight within and split up the Republican Party. We need to be united so we can win back congress and move the country in the right direction to keep us whole and to keep the “American Dream” going for future generations.

I am looking forward to an upbeat annual conference in Reno this July. Come and enjoy the annual meeting to discuss issues that NCRCO should be working on. Please join me in encouraging Republican associates and others, which believe in our values, throughout your
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As Chairman of the Nominating Committee, it is my pleasure to put forward the following slate of officers for 2010-2011. This slate will be voted on at the Annual Membership Meeting in Reno, Nevada, next month.

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- President: Don Wallace, Tuscaloosa County Commissioner, Alabama
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- Secretary: Nancy Weeks, Haskell County Treasurer, Kansas
- Treasurer: Scott Wagner, Cass County Commissioner, North Dakota

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- Region 5: Wayne Gruenloh, Central Baldwin Commissioner, Alabama
- Region 6: Amanda Roggenbuck, Tuscola County Commissioner, Michigan
- Region 7: Charlotte Sandvik, Cass County Treasurer, North Dakota
- Region 8: Stephen H. Holt, Jasper County Tax Collector, Missouri
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- Region 10: Jack Hilbert, Douglas County Commissioner, Colorado
- Region 11: David Ferdinand, Canyon County Commissioner, Idaho
- Region 12: Michael Jeanes, Maricopa County Superior Court Clerk, Arizona

Region 1: Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont

‘Tea party’-backed platform sails through Maine GOP convention

Conservative activists backed by “tea party” groups have rejected the Maine Republican Party’s proposed platform, replacing it with a document praising the tea-party movement and calling for a number of potentially radical changes, such as the sealing of borders.

An overwhelming majority of the 1,800 delegates at the party’s state convention passed the conservative platform Saturday. The move surprised many in the Maine GOP, which has a half-century reputation for moderation. The state’s two Republican US senators – Olympia Snowe and Susan Collins – are both considered moderates, as is their predecessor, Bill Cohen, who served in Bill Clinton’s cabinet.

“If you’re not a moderate, you don’t get elected in Maine,” says political consultant Chris Potholm, a professor of government at Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Maine. “Any candidate who gets nominated is going to ignore that platform, or he or she is going to lose.”

The development in Maine coincides with one in Utah, where the tea-party movement ousted Sen. Robert Bennett (R) at the state’s GOP nominating convention Saturday. Although Senator Bennett is generally considered a conservative, tea partiers had targeted him largely because of his 2008 vote in favor of the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP) for banks.

In Maine, the newly adopted GOP platform outlines various changes, although its ambiguous language leaves the meaning of many sections open to interpretation. There’s a call to restore “Constitutional Law as the basis for the judiciary,” to “reassert the principle that ‘Freedom of Religion’ does not mean ‘Freedom from Religion,’”
to “return to the principles of Austrian Economics,” and to remove “obstacles created by government” to the private development of natural gas, oil, coal, and nuclear power.

Other parts are clearer: a rejection of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, elimination of the US Department of Education and the Federal Reserve, and a freeze and prohibition on stimulus spending. Healthcare is “not a right” but “a service” that can be addressed only by using “market based solutions.” The wide acceptance of the platform at the convention surprised even its co-authors. “I had no inking this would pass, and frankly we’d been told as much by people running the convention,” says co-author Steven Dyer, an evangelical youth pastor and vice chair of the Knox County Republican Committee, which sponsored the document. “They didn’t even make copies of it for the delegates. They just read it to them from the podium.”

Mr. Dyer says he and his co-authors aren’t members of the tea party, although some have attended such events. They were motivated by disappointment with the party’s “progressive” wing, which had “forgotten what it means to be a Republican,” he says.

He agrees that the document is vague in parts, but that was because they had expected it to be merely a draft to begin negotiations with less-conservative party members. To their amazement, it passed with the support of not only tea-party groups, evangelical Christians, and Ron Paul libertarians, but also a large number of presumably rank-and-file conventioneers.

State party chair Charles Webster denied that the platform represented a major change, saying it was just “more specific” than past platforms. “These are things that Republicans believe, especially working-class people,” he says. “If it had been really controversial, it wouldn’t have passed.”

It will help Republican candidates get elected, he says, even though Maine has been becoming increasingly Democratic in recent years.

Democrats currently control the governor’s mansion, both houses of the state Legislature, and both US House seats. Barack Obama won 15 of 16 counties in the 2008 election. Democratic control of the Portland City Council is threatened not by Republicans, but by Greens.

Seven Republicans, four Democrats, and two independents are running to replace Gov. John Baldacci, who is term-limited.

Longtime Republican state legislator Peter Mills, a moderate gubernatorial candidate, says it’s a mistake to underestimate the sentiment that fuels the tea-party activists. “They’re very small, very vocal, and very intense, but they reflect a wider feeling of frustration, discontent, and lack of confidence in government,” he says. “The challenge is to be able to harness that anger and frustration and, once elected, convert it into significant change.”

www.csmonitor.com

Region 2: Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania

Vice president afraid of pulling a 'Blumenthal'

WASHINGTON — Vice President Joe Biden has joked about avoiding a "Blumenthal mistake," a reference to the Connecticut attorney general's frequent misstatements about serving in Vietnam.

Biden met with veterans visiting his official residence on Tuesday night and tried to joke about Blumenthal's gaffe, for which he apologized last week. The Democratic attorney general is seeking the Senate seat now held by the retiring Chris Dodd.

Biden said: "I didn't serve in Vietnam. I don't want to make a Blumenthal mistake here. Our attorney general from Connecticut, God love him."
Region 3: Delaware, Maryland, North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia

Still the biggest thing happening in Delaware is the scramble for the US Senate seat formerly held by Vice President Joe Biden. Since his son Beau, the Attorney General of Delaware has declined there is a contest involving our long term Republican Congressman and former Governor Michael N. Castle and Chris Coons, the Democratic County Executive of New Castle County. At the recent Republican State Convention Michele Rollins received the nomination for Congress to succeed Castle. She is the widow of former Lt. Gov. and millionaire John Rollins. However, she has a primary which will be decided in Sept. She then would face our former Democratic Lt. Gov. John Carney in November.

Region 4: Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands

Marco Rubio on the economy

Republican senatorial candidate Marco Rubio, a favorite among Florida’s GOP conservatives, roughed up Florida Gov. Charlie Crist — who’s running for senate as an independent — U.S. Rep. Kendrick Meek — who’s running in the Democratic primary — and President Barack Obama, who’s running the country. Rubio lumped all three together, saying thanks to elected officials like them, the U.S. was teetering on financial disaster, running up a debt that would eventually cause the nation’s still fragile economy to collapse. Here’s an excerpt from the Rubio campaign press release:

"Today's news that the national debt passed $13 trillion is a stark reminder that Floridians can't afford the Obama-Crist-Meek agenda of more spending, more debt and more government bureaucrats in Washington. Floridians now have 13 trillion reasons why they can't afford Charlie Crist and Congressman Meek in Washington voting yes for an agenda that will lead to more spending and higher debt. Marco Rubio is the only candidate we can trust to go to Washington, be a check and balance against the Obama-Crist-Meek big government agenda and offer a clear conservative alternative," said Rubio for Senate spokesman Alex Burgos.

Region 5: Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee

For Region 5; we are hopeful to retain the Kentucky Senate seat and Alabama Governorship, as well as reclaim the Tennessee Governor and 2 House seats in Alabama. I also came across the poem below in honor of our veterans:

VETERANS

It is the
VETERAN,
not the preacher,
who has given us freedom of religion.
It is the VETERAN,
not the reporter,
who has given us freedom of the press.
It is the VETERAN,
not the poet,
who has given us freedom of speech.
It is the VETERAN,
not the campus organizer,
who has given us freedom to assemble.
   It is the VETERAN,
   not the lawyer,
who has given us the right to a fair trial.
   It is the VETERAN,
   not the politician,
Who has given us the right to vote.
   It is the VETERAN who
   salutes the Flag,
   It is the VETERAN
   who serves
   under the Flag,

ETERNAL REST GRANT THEM O LORD,
AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM.
We can be very
proud of our young men and women in the service no matter where they
serve.
God Bless them all!!!
Author Unknown

Region 6: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio

All of Region 6 is fighting to preserve the states right to choose their own healthcare coverage and options, they are trending to things such as petition drives and in some cases their attorney generals are stepping in.

The region is using technology to reach more voters then ever before and reaching into the realms of Facebook and Twitter, You Tube and My Space to communicate with supporters and citizens. While also learning that technology can cut both ways, providing your campaign plan and roadmap of activities on the internet can give your opponents the advantage of knowing where to be without doing any work.

Michigan is in a changing environment, all of the state wide offices for election, all 110 House of Representatives positions are up for election and all 38 senate seats also up for election. This coupled with the fact that term limits have created a nearly 80% turnover rate in the elected positions in the state wide, and state level offices.

The Michigan GO is promoting a platform of jobs, reimagining education, and being truly green not just wearing it on a shirt. The Michigan GOP can be reached at http://www.migop.org/.

Ohio has taken it upon themselves to be on of the strongest and most successful state party organizations in the nation. Ohioans currently entrust Republican leadership to manage two of the three branches of state government, and Republicans hold a majority of county elective offices statewide as well as a majority of the seats in the Ohio House, Ohio Senate, Ohio Supreme Court, and among the Ohio Congressional delegation. The Ohio GOP can be reached at http://www.ohiogop.org/?fp=true.

Illinois Republicans stand on a platform of being is the party of Abraham Lincoln, with a proud tradition of support for individual freedom, opportunity, and integrity. By fighting to reform Illinois, we will regain the trust of the people of this state. We will return to our roots through dramatic reforms that can unleash the great potential of the individuals of this state – not the size and reach of government. The Illinois Republican party provides and opportunity for individuals to sign up for e-updates.

The Illinois GOP is promoting an agenda and tour of change as detailed below:
Protect taxpayers from the reckless financial decision-making of elected officials:
Protect citizens from elected officials who flagrantly abuse the power of their office:
Empower voters to affect the state’s policy agenda.
Respect families by giving them more freedom and responsibility for their own lives.
The Illinois GOP can be reached at http://www.weareillinois.org/.
Indiana is seeking to return the Republican majority to the Indiana House of Representatives. Registering voters and promoting personalized accounts for GOP members that allow them to tailor the information they receive from the party to match their areas of concern and their geography. They are showing an initiative in valuing their followers and member’s time and sharing the information that will be most important to their individual concerns and area.

The Indiana GOP can be reached at http://www.indgop.org/.

Region 7: Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin

North Dakota’s Governor John Hoeven was endorsed at the Republican Convention in March to run for the Senate seat that Senator Bryon Dorgan holds and is retiring. North Dakota’s Congressional seat held by Democrat Earl Pomeroy is up for re-election and the ND Republican party endorsed a Fargo legislator Rick Berg to run against Earl Pomeroy. The polls look real good for Governor Hoeven to take the senate seat; we will find out in the June 8th primary how well he does. Governor Hoeven’s opponent is not well known. The race between Pomeroy and Berg may be a close race, but the last polls showed Berg about 4 points ahead. Minnesota endorsed a republican state representative Tom Emmer to run for Governor. The current Governor Tim Pawlenty is not running again.

South Dakota has five Republicans seeking to be Governor. South Dakota has their primary on June 8th and will see you will be on the November ballot. All five want to improve schools, boost economic development, limit government, avoid tax increases and balance the state budget. They also support ethanol production, wind energy, farming and ranching.

Region 8: Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska

Missouri and Kansas have several interesting races going on. In Kansas, Senator and former Presidential Candidate Sam Brownback is seeking the Republican nomination for Governor. He is heads on favorite to win the nomination in the Primary on August 3rd. He will be facing a little know candidate, Tom Holland in the General Election in November. Brownback is strongly perceived to be a shoe-in.

In Missouri, Sen. Christopher (Kit) Bond is retiring after several years as our Sr. Senator. US Representative from the 7th District, former Majority Whip then former Minority Whip, Roy Blunt is strongly favored to be the Republican nominee after the August Primary. He will be facing now Secretary of State Robin Carnahan, and daughter of former Governor Mel Carnahan. As you recall, Governor Carnahan was killed in plane crash just weeks before the November election where he was running against the current Senator John Ashcroft.

Governor Carnahan won the election, and his wife Jean was appointed by then acting Governor Roger Wilson to replace her deceased husband. According to Missouri law, she then ran in the next general election to complete the unexpired (remaining 4 years) of the term that she was serving. She was defeated by Republican James Talent to serve the remaining four years. Now back to 2010, Robin Carnahan will be the Democratic Nominee and will be facing Roy Blunt in November. Polls show him 7 points up at this time and increasing his lead. Missouri carried for McCain/Palin, however, elected all other state officials of the Democratic Party except for Lt. Governor Peter Kinder the lone Republican. Missouri has strong Republican control of both the Missouri State House of Representatives and State Senate.

Region 9: Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Texas

Blanche, Bill, and the Democrat Machine

Little Rock – Desperate to be christened as Arkansas’ independent voice, Blanche Lincoln called upon the king of the Arkansas Democrat machine, Bill Clinton, to help her campaign for her party’s U.S. Senate nomination.

In a statement released by Lincoln’s campaign, Clinton said, “Blanche is fighting the special interests and standing up for Arkansas.” Yet the contrary, Senator Lincoln did the opposite when she cast the deciding vote on health care last Christmas Eve, despite the fact that the overwhelming majority of Arkansans were satisfied with the health care they already received.

Clinton goes on to say, “She has fought for Arkansas farmers, ranchers, and foresters.” Yet to the surprise of Arkansans, according to a Reader’s Digest article, Lincoln’s own family has received more than $700,000 in
federal farm subsidies during her time in the United States Senate.

“Clinton’s presence in Arkansas signifies Lincoln’s crumbling foothold in the race against Bill Halter,” says Republican Party of Arkansas Executive Director Chase Dugger. “Whether the nominee is Halter or Lincoln neither will be able to shed their ties to the radical, liberal Democrat machine. This will become even clearer as they are compared to Congressman Boozman, a true conservative who will serve as the voice of all Arkansans.”

www.arkansasgop.org

Region 10: Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming

Pence Encourages America to Speak Out
"House Republicans are Listening"

Washington, DC - U.S. Congressman Mike Pence, Chairman of the House Republican Conference, gave the following statement today on the House floor addressing House Republicans’ new governing agenda, America Speaking Out:

"Well, after years of being shut out of the debates here on Capitol Hill, seeing runaway federal spending, bailouts and takeovers built behind closed doors, the American people finally have a way in. An unambiguous seat at the table. It's called Americaspeakingout.com.

"Since the outset of this Congress, Republicans have been offering positive solutions to the challenges facing this country in building a governing agenda for this Congress. Republicans have been listening to the American people and Americaspeakingout.com is a continuation of that process.

"Now let me say, this is not a listening tour. House Republicans are not a party in search of our principles. We know what we believe. We're committed to the principles of economic growth, fiscal discipline, a strong defense and traditional American values. But we simply believe that the best ideas in America come from the American people. That's why we launched Americaspeakingout.com.

"So I urge all Hoosiers and frankly all my countrymen, whatever your politics, whatever your philosophy, join us at Americaspeakingout.com. House Republicans are listening."

www.gop.gov

Region 11: Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington

Congratulations Republican Candidates!
The 2010 Oregon Primary Election nominated one of the strongest slates of Statewide Candidates in years to help Oregon face the problems of Government overspending, a weak economy and stagnation of ideas in a government dominated by the Democrats.

As our Republican nominee for Governor has said so well, Oregon is ready for a comeback! Now is the time, and we are the Party that can restore liberty and balance to our Government, cut taxes and bring back badly needed jobs!

Today Oregon Republicans will join together, roll up our sleeves and go to work!

(www.oregonrepublicanparty.org)

Region 12: Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada

In Nevada, Republicans are making a big push and gaining momentum in the effort to retire Sen. Harry Reid!

In Arizona, there are many interesting races in the August 24th primary election. In AZ CD3, eleven Republicans are running to replace the great retiring Republican Congressman John Shadegg. In AZ CD5, there are five Republicans running to unseat Democrat Cong. Harry Mitchell. There are also a couple other Congressional Districts in which Republicans can win and replace an incumbent Democrat.

In the U.S. Senate race, Sen. John McCain is being opposed in the primary by former Congressman J. D.
Hayworth. The campaign is very lively and the key issue is border security and illegal immigration. The Democrat in the race is not well known. Whoever wins the Republican primary is likely to hold the seat for the Republicans.

In the AZ Governor’s race, incumbent Republican Jan Brewer is facing three main challengers in the primary (State Treasurer Dean Martin, former Republican Party Chairman John Munger and local businessman Buz Mills). Gov. Brewer proposed a 1 cent increase in the state sales tax as a means to assist in trying to deal with the state’s catastrophic budget situation. On May 18th, the voters approved the proposition to implement the tax. All three main opponents opposed the tax increase. The winner of the primary will face the incumbent Democrat Attorney General. This will be the AG’s third attempt for the governor’s office. Neither previous attempt was successful.

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**July 16-20, 2010**  
Reno-Sparks Convention Center  
Reno/Washoe County, Nevada  

Please click on the following link to register and find out more!  

**NRCO Membership Luncheon and Annual Meeting**  
**Sunday, July 18 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.**  
**Room: A9 - Reno-Sparks Convention Center**

President Michael Long and NACo Liaison Ryan Yates are coordinating the activities for the conference. If you are interested in assisting with the preparations, contact Michael Long at [mlong@co.klamath.or.us](mailto:mlong@co.klamath.or.us).

**Come join us to hear guest speaker United States Congressman Dean Heller!**

On November 7, 2006, Dean Heller was elected to the United States Congress as Nevada’s Representative for the Second Congressional District. Heller is only the third person to hold this seat since its creation.

Congressman Dean Heller has spent nearly two decades serving the people of Nevada. He served two terms in the State Assembly representing Carson City where he authored legislation making the public employees’ retirement system solvent. Heller provided leadership in his three terms as Nevada’s Secretary of State when Nevada became the first state in the country to implement an auditable paper trail to electronic voting machines.

Heller serves on the House Ways and Means Committee, which is the chief tax-writing committee of the United States House of Representatives and has jurisdiction over all taxation, tariffs and other revenue-raising measures, as well as Social Security, unemployment benefits, and Medicare. The Ways and Means Committee is one of only four exclusive committees in the U.S. House of Representatives.

As a former member of the House Natural Resources Committee, Heller is still actively engaged in policies under this Committee’s jurisdiction. Issues such as mining, public land management and preventing wildfires still continue to be top priorities for Congressman Heller. Membership on this committee enabled Heller to foster a strong working relationship with committee members allowing him to move legislation through the committee. This year, Congressman Heller was named Policy Chair of the Western Caucus by his peers. The Western Caucus is comprised of nearly 40 members of Congress who are the primary defenders of balanced public lands access, private property rights and responsible natural resource development in the U.S. House of Representatives. Heller has also been appointed as a Deputy Whip and assigned to the Republican Policy Committee by the House Leadership Team.

Raised in Carson City, Dean Heller grew up with five brothers and sisters and graduated from Carson High School. In 1985 he received a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from the University of Southern California, specializing in finance and securities analysis, and worked as a stockbroker and as a broker/trader on the Pacific Stock Exchange prior to moving to Carson City with his wife Lynne.

Dean and Lynne have been married for more than twenty years and have raised their four children; Hilary, Harris, Drew, and Emmy in Carson City. The Congressman enjoys stockcar racing, basketball, golf, snowboarding, and attending his children's events.
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- A quarter page (4” x 5”) advertisement printed in at least two of the NCRCO newsletters created and distributed to NCRCO members during the year, via email or US mail.
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- An opportunity to have literature (or a packet) on products distributed at either the NCRCO General Membership meeting of the Legislative Conference or the Annual Conference.
- A one-eighth page (2” x 2”) advertisement printed in at least two of the NCRCO newsletters created and distributed to NCRCO members during the year, via email or US mail.
- An electronic or hardcopy of the annual NCRCO paid dues membership list.
- The sponsor will be listed in all NCRCO printed program agendas during the year as a Gold sponsor.

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- An opportunity to be introduced to NCRCO members and a one minute presentation at either the NCRCO General Membership meeting at the Legislative Conference, or at the Annual Conference.
- Two free tickets for sponsor employees or guests at both membership receptions held at the Legislative Conference and the Annual Conference.
- An opportunity to have literature (or packet) on products distributed at either the NCRCO General Membership meeting of the Legislative or Annual Conferences.
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