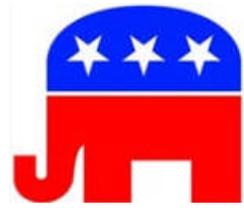


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**ROGER NIELLO COMES TO REPUBLICANS OF RIVER CITY  
COME SOCIALIZE WITH YOUR FRIENDS IN SEPTEMBER AT RIVER CITY  
September 16, 2008 in the Ose Room located at: Channel 6, KVIE  
2595 Capitol Oaks Drive Sacramento  
The social hour starts at 6:30 PM - the general meeting starts at 7:15 PM.**



## ASSEMBLYMAN ROGER NIELLO TO SPEAK

By Fred Hildebrand

The Republican expert on budget matters in the California State Assembly, our own Roger Niello, will be our main speaker at our next General Meeting. Assemblyman Niello originally announced his candidacy for the California State Assembly from our podium and now returns as the Vice Chair of the Assembly Budget Committee. He serves as the lead negotiator on budget issues for the Assembly Republican Caucus. A C.P.A., by profession, he is often quoted in the media on budget

matters and commands attention in his quiet, dignified manner.

Roger will bring to our forum the latest word on budget progress, or lack thereof. His dry wit will make more palatable the ugly realities of the budget process and procedures. If there is light at the end of the tunnel, he will find it. And, he will take questions from our concerned taxpayers.

The General Meeting will commence at 7:15 P.M. on September 16th, at KVIE, Channel 6 Studios. A Social Hour will precede the General Meeting, beginning at 6:30 P.M.

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## VOTING FOR OBAMA?

by Robert Evans

My dear old mother always said "you are known by the company you keep." I think mom's caution should apply to all voters who contemplate voting for Barack Obama.

### Obama and the Chicago Annenberg Challenge

The Chicago Annenberg Challenge was a public-private partnership. Their stated mission was to make "investments" in local schools. The Annenberg Foundation gave the CAC an initial grant of \$49.2 million in 1995. The CAC's operations were closed in 2001, and folded into the Annenberg Institute for Social Reform.

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## VOTING FOR OBAMA? (Cont.)

The CAC's grant application was written in 1993 by William Ayers. Ayers and his wife Bernardine Dohrn were leaders of the Weather Underground, a violent 1960s radical organization that placed bombs at a number of government institutions. Ayers and Dohrn were members of the five-member central committee of the Weathermen in the late 1960s and early 1970s.

The CAC had its roots in a 1987 strike by Chicago teachers. Ayers was a leader of a group called the Alliance for Better Chicago Schools, or ABCs. ABCs was a coalition of various groups. One of these groups was named the Developing Communities Project, headed by Barack Obama.

The CAC board was chaired from 1995 to 2000 by Barack Obama. The role of the board was to decide on which grant applications were funded.

The CAC funneled millions of dollars into various groups, including \$175,000 to the Small Schools Workshop. The SSW was established in the early 1990s by Ayers, who hired Mike Klonsky. In the 1970s Klonsky headed the Communist Party (Marxist-Leninist) and was one of the first westerners allowed to visit the People's Republic of China. Klonsky is now described as a leader of the "New Communist Movement."

Quantitative assessment of the CAC's effectiveness show it had no impact on school improvement and student outcomes. Reports show no statistically significant differences between Annenberg and non-Annenberg schools in

rates of achievement gain, classroom behavior, student self-efficacy, and social competence.

Oddly, Obama, when asked by George Stephanopolous to explain his affiliation with Ayers, said "This is a guy who lives in my neighborhood, who's a professor of English in Chicago who I know and who I have not received some official endorsement from. He's not somebody who I exchange ideas from on a regular basis."

Yet, Ayers and his wife Dohrn hosted an instrumental 1995 "meet-and-greet" political meeting for Obama in their home. This meeting has also been called a fundraising event. Chicagoan Maria Warren wrote in 2005 on her Musings & Migraines blog: "When I first met Barack Obama, he was giving a standard, innocuous little talk in the living room of ... Bill Ayers and Bernardine Dohrn. They were launching him - introducing him to the Hyde Park community as the best thing since sliced bread."

In addition, Obama and Ayers served together on the board of the Woods Fund of Chicago. Obama joined the nine-member board in 1993, and attended the quarterly meetings together with Ayers in the years up to 2002, when Obama left the board. Ayers and Obama also appeared together on academic panel discussions, including a 1997 University of Chicago discussion on juvenile justice (where according to the University press release, "Ayers will be joined by Illinois State Sen. Barack Obama, Senior Lecturer in the University of Chicago Law School, who is working to block proposed legislation that would throw more juvenile offenders into the adult system."). They again appeared

in 2002 at an academic panel co-sponsored by the Chicago Public Library. One panel discussion in which they both appeared was organized by Obama's wife, Michelle.

### Woods Fund of Chicago

The fund describes itself as "a grant making foundation whose goal is to increase opportunities for less advantaged people and communities in the metropolitan area, including the opportunity to shape decisions affecting them." The Woods Fund has given sizable grants to, among others, the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN), the successor to the radical 1960's organization called National Welfare Rights Organization. ACORN is noted for running Democrat voter registration drives in urban neighborhoods.

### ON THIS DATE IN SEPTEMBER

September 2, 1910 - Republican Mayor George Alexander, Mayor of Los Angeles, makes Alice Wells the first woman police officer in America.

September 3, 1868 - Twenty-five African-Americans in the Georgia legislature, all Republicans, are expelled by the Democrat majority.

September 12, 1868 - Civil rights activist Tunis Campbell and all other African-Americans in the Georgia Senate, every one a Republican, are expelled by the Democrat majority.

September 22, 1862 - President Abraham Lincoln issues the Emancipation Proclamation.

September 24, 1957 - Under withering criticism from Democrats John Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson, President Dwight Eisenhower deploys U. S. troops to Little Rock to force Democrat Governor Orval Faubus to integrate public schools.

**IN MY OPINION:**

by Chris Angle

**Sarah Palin**

A couple of weeks ago, John McCain chose Sarah Palin as his running mate and shocked the political world. While the reaction of the GOP has been ecstatic and excited, whether she ultimately helps or hurts McCain remains to be seen. While many may feel that the media has pounced unfairly on the question of her inexperience, it is actually a legitimate question. The fact that the same media has brushed aside questions regarding Obama's lack of experience does not make the ones about Palin's inexperience any less valid. Given McCain's age and the strain that the Presidency puts on the individual, the voters must face the real possibility that he may not live through two terms. That makes his choice of V.P. extraordinarily important, and voters need to at least consider whether she is, or ever will be, up to the job or not.

Some political pundits have also rightly pointed out that picking Palin is a risky move for McCain. Questions regarding her readiness to serve could cast doubts on McCain's judgment as well as blunt one his most effective attacks against Obama, namely that Obama's lack of

experience disqualifies him for the White House. However, given the state of the Republican brand in this election cycle, McCain needs to take some risks if he is to win. By announcing that he was picking an unknown woman for his running mate right after the Democrat convention, he wiped the aftermath of the convention off the front pages and got the news media focused on his campaign. In addition, by picking a woman as his running mate, he ensured that the Obama/Biden ticket was not the only historic ticket on the ballot.

Whether or not Palin is enough to tip the election to McCain, there is little doubt that she will be good for the long-term health of the Republican Party. Her choice as V.P. will help to counteract some of perception that exists that the Republican Party does not take women seriously. A choice such as this could help Republican's narrow the gap between themselves and the Democrats where women are concerned. In addition, the choice of Sarah Palin shows prominently someone who took on the GOP power structure and won. This will help to show voters that the Republicans have not been so captured by entrenched special interests that anyone who challenges those interests gets run out of the Party. Contrast this with the treatment that Joe Lieberman received from the Democrats when he bucked their orthodoxy on Iraq and was subsequently effectively run out of the Party. If the Republicans are serious about retaking Congress and becoming the permanent majority Party that they deserve to be, then they need to return to their Reagan, western-libertarian, fiscally responsible roots. Giving someone like Sarah Palin national exposure is a good start.

**HISTORY LESSON**

Who said it?

"We're going to take things away from you on behalf of the common good."

- A. Karl Marx
- B. Adolph Hitler
- C. Joseph Stalin
- D. None of the above

"It's time for a new beginning, for an end to government of the few, by the few, and for the few..... And to replace it with shared responsibility for shared prosperity."

- A. Lenin
- B. Mussolini
- C. Idi Amin Dada
- D. None of the Above

"(We) ...can't just let business as usual go on, and that means something has to be taken away from some people."

- A. Nikita Khrushchev
- B. Josef Goebbels
- C. Boris Yeltsin
- D. None of the above

"We have to build a political consensus and that requires people to give up a little bit of their own ... in order to create this common ground."

- A. Mao Tse-Tung
- B. Hugo Chavez
- C. Kim Jong Il
- D. None of the above

"I certainly think the free-market has failed."

- A. Karl Marx
- B. Lenin
- C. Molotov
- D. None of the above

All statements were made by Hillary Clinton in 2004.

## ASSEMBLYMAN ROGER NIELLO TO SPEAK (Cont.)

Born in San Francisco, Assemblyman Roger Niello has lived in Sacramento nearly all of his life. After graduating from Sacramento's Encina High School, Roger attended the University of California at Berkeley for his undergraduate studies, then completed his graduate studies at the University of California at Los Angeles.

Roger worked as a Certified Public accountant until he joined his family's business at Niello Auto Group in 1974 and spent the next 25 years running retail automobile dealerships with his family partners.

In 1995, Roger served as the President of the Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce, and was a member of the Capital Area Political Action Committee. As a member of the community, he was an active volunteer.

Roger was elected to the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors in a special election in February of 1999. As a member of the Board of Supervisors, he served Sacramento County on numerous boards and commissions.

In 2004, Roger was elected to the California State Assembly and was immediately appointed Vice Chair of the Assembly Banking and Finance Committee and also served in positions on the Assembly Budget, and Transportation Committees. In addition, he served for a brief time on the Assembly Public Employees, Retirement and Social Security Committee and the Joint Legislative Audit Committee.

In November 2006, Roger was elected to a second term in the State Assembly, receiving over 61% of the vote. During

his second term, he was named the Vice Chair of the Assembly Budget Committee, serving as the lead negotiator on budget issues for the Assembly Republican Caucus.

Assemblyman Niello also currently serves on the Assembly Elections committee in addition to the Joint Committee on Emergency Services and Homeland Security and the Select Committee on Foster Care.

Among Assemblyman Niello's legislative accomplishments include legislation to allow individuals to remove racially charged language from a homeowner's CC&Rs, a measure to assist local governments in cracking down on illegal dumping, and a bill to ban the unscrupulous practice of "triple-dipping" by county retired annuitants who are collecting unemployment in addition to retirement pension benefits.

He has also introduced legislation to bring about innovative reforms to our method of contracting public infrastructure, as well as measures intended to alleviate the burden of unfunded mandates the state places on local government.

Assemblyman Niello represents the 5th district in the California State Assembly, which includes the Sacramento County communities of Arden Arcade, Carmichael, the City of Citrus Heights, Fair Oaks, the City of Folsom, North Highlands, McClellan Park, Orangevale, Natomas, Sacramento and the Placer County community of Granite Bay.

Roger and his wife Mary reside in Fair Oaks. They have five adult children and one grandchild.



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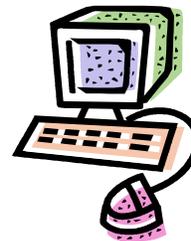
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Arnold Schwarzenegger 09/11/2008

September 11, 2008, as "Patriot Day"
PROCLAMATION by the Governor of the State of California

On September 11, 2001, our nation faced evil and demonstrated the unflinching resolve of our people. Despite the senseless loss of innocent lives and the horror witnessed by people around the world, we can now look at September 11 and see something more than pain: strength, heroism and unity.

We will never forget the brave friends and loved ones who perished that day, nor the amazing acts of selflessness. Courageous first responders risked and gave their lives to protect others. Incredible men and women did everything from thwarting hijackers to gathering aid for victims and their families. And countless individuals enlisted in the armed forces to keep our homeland safe. Ultimately, the plot of the terrorists failed; Americans chose to rebuild and not to live in fear.

Today gives us the opportunity to remember those who passed away and honor those who continue to stand strong in the face of terror. By celebrating the deep patriotism and compassion that Americans felt on that day of infamy, may we always remember September 11 as a day of courage.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, Governor of the State of California, do hereby proclaim September 11, 2008, as "Patriot Day."



IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have here unto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 8th day of September 2008.

Arnold Schwarzenegger
GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA

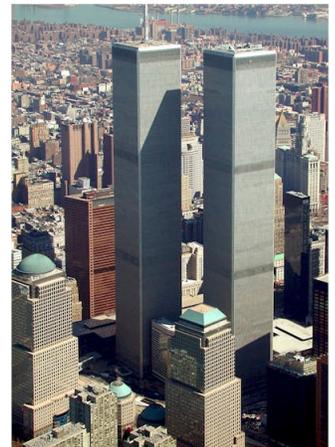
Attest:

Debra Bowen
SECRETARY OF STATE

September 11, 2001 TIMELINE
All times are in local (EDT) time.

- 7:59 AM: Mohamed Atta boards AA Flight 11 - under his control it will crash into the World Trade Center north tower.
8:18 AM: AA Flight 11 is taken over by Mohamed Atta and other hijackers.
8:46 AM: American Airlines Flight 11 crashes into the World Trade Center north tower between the 93rd and 99th floors.
9:03 AM: United Airlines Flight 175 crashes into the World Trade Center south tower between the 77th and 85th floors.
9:37 AM: American Airlines Flight 77 crashes into The Pentagon.
9:59 AM: South Tower of World Trade Center collapses.
10:03 AM: United Airlines Flight 93 crashes into a field in Shanksville, Pennsylvania.
10:28 AM: North Tower of World Trade Center collapses.
5:20 PM: World Trade Center building 7 collapses.

September 13: The 'Star-Spangled Banner' is played during the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace. Russia observes a minute's silence.
September 14 to September 21: Worldwide stock markets plummet.
September 15: CIA director George Tenet presents the Worldwide Attack Matrix.
September 20: George W. Bush announces that the USA is at war.





**Carl Burton, President**

It's been an exciting past few weeks for Republicans in Sacramento County. We moved into our new headquarters. A number of our members staffed the party booth at the State Fair, selling buttons, registering voters and giving out information about our candidates. Our volunteers registered 397 Republicans and sold over \$9,000 worth of merchandise.

On August 25, Senator John McCain visited Sacramento and some of our members were able to see and to shake hands with him when he came over to our group at the Sheridan Hotel in downtown Sacramento.

On the last day of the fair, on September 1, the Republican Party National Convention started and several of our members attended and have reported back on their experiences.

We held a convention watch party at County Party Headquarters on Sept 4<sup>th</sup> that was a lot of fun.

Our County Parties new office is located at 3464 El Camino Ave, Suite 150, Sacramento. We have a new phone number: (916) 974-1821. Victory '08 is also located at our new county party location. Every day, phone calls are made to reach voters. Since the convention, voters are seeking us out at the new location to register to vote, asking for bumper stickers and lawn signs and buying buttons. The phone is busy all the time with people calling from around the

state wanting McCain and Palin items. I'm told that lawn signs should arrive next week.

The Asian Republican and Latino Republican clubs have joined forces and are using the large room at central committee headquarters for their meetings. So far, these clubs have used the room more then any other group of Republicans in the county. The room is open for use by other

clubs so if your club wants to use the room, let the central committee staff know.

Your help is needed. We need people to make calls to voters, answer questions and other tasks. We have registration packets for you; we have only until October 20 to register voters. To sign up to walk precincts in October for our candidates, now is the time to volunteer to help.



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