



# Republicans of River City



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**REPUBLICANS OF RIVER CITY WELCOME SACRAMENTO COUNTY COMMUNITY LEADER CRAIG POWELL TO SPEAK ON**

**February 17, 2015 at Mimi's Restaurant, located at:  
2029 Alta Arden Way  
Sacramento, 95825**

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



**EYE ON SACRAMENTO PRESIDENT CRAIG POWELL WILL SPEAK AT RRC MEETING**

**By Carl Burton**

Eye on Sacramento takes its role as a watchdog of local Sacramento government very seriously. The Watchdog Unit scrutinizes the actions and policy development in local government. EOS volunteers monitor governing bodies by reviewing meeting agendas and staff reports, questioning staff prior to meetings, appearing and testifying at meetings of governing bodies and committees and conferring regularly with elected officials and staff on pending or proposed matters.

The Watchdog Unit also initiate inquiries into matters of public interest or concern by requesting and reviewing government documents, either cooperatively or through formal public records requests filed under the California Public Records Act which mandates the release of public records. EOS volunteer Rick Stevenson currently serves as Public Records Requests Coordinator for the Watchdog Unit, initiating record requests and monitoring government compliance with such requests.

Eye on Sacramento then alerts the community on matters of importance involving local government through an array of media:

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**ARE YOU AN UNDER VOTER?**

**By Carl Burton**

An under vote is a ballot that was cast but showed no legally valid vote in a given race.

In the 7th Congressional District election between former Congressman Ose and Congressman Bera, 6,827 voters didn't a cast vote last November for either candidate. A total of 190,462 voters did vote, 92,521 for Bera and 91,066 for Ose (and 48 who voted for both). Ose lost by just 1,455 votes.

At some events I attended throughout the November campaign I was told by some individuals that they were not going to vote for our Republican

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## CRAIG POWELL

newspaper and magazine articles, e-newsletters, e-mail alerts, web postings, You-Tube videos and regular blogging on Facebook and Twitter.

To find out more information about Eye on Sacramento, attend our February 17 meeting of Republicans of River City at Mimi's Restaurant, located at: 2029 Alta Arden Way, Sacramento, 95825

Craig is a 5th generation Sacramentan and is a 1977 graduate of the University of California, Berkeley's Hass School of Business, and a 1981 graduate of the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law, graduating summa cum laude. He practiced corporate and securities law in Sacramento on a full-time basis from 1981 until 1997. In 1994, he established his own law practice, the Law Offices of Craig K. Powell, where he practices today on a part-time basis for selected business clients and non-profit organizations.

Craig is a member of the California State Bar, the Sutter Club, the Midtown Business Association, the Land Park, Sierra Curtis Park and Winn Park Neighborhood Associations, the Rental Housing Association of Sacramento Valley, the California Apartment Association and the National Apartment Association.

Craig, in his spare time, enjoys literature classes, European travel, book collecting, writing, biking, swimming, auto touring and politics.

## UNDER VOTER?

candidates because, in their opinion, they weren't conservative enough or they were just didn't like the person.

I also remember meeting Republicans who refused to vote for McCain or Romney because they weren't conservative enough or because Romney was a Mormon. When you do not vote you do allow those who advocate for more government control (known as Democrats) to win.

Remember that the only people not allowed to vote in the US are the approximately 12 million illegal aliens and 5.9 million felons. These two groups are NOT allowed to vote, so these individuals really do have a valid reason for NOT voting; THEY CAN'T VOTE, unlike under voters or non voters.

So if you want to be exactly like an illegal aliens or a convicted felon, don't vote or, worse, under vote.

## YOUNG PEOPLE (VOTERS)

By Carl Burton

Young People are the foot soldiers in any winning election campaign. Not only do they walk the precincts but they staff the phone banks.

And today's young voters are more apt to vote for a person, not necessarily a party so our candidates and their supporters today must be able to reach out and connect with young voters. Young voters are vibrant, active, online, and "plugged in." They live in the new media and communicate differently than their parents' generation.

The safe campaign strategy of focusing on only "older voters" is not going to win on election day.

So the Sacramento County Republican Party needs to be more proactive and engage in marketing our message to young voters.

We can start by reaching out to 18 years as soon as they register to vote by sending them a birthday card and welcoming them as a voter. We need to develop a college scholarship program. And we need to build an employment program.

## FEBRUARY IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH

The 2012 theme for African American History Month, celebrated in February, is "Black Women in American: Culture and History."

Here is a list of some of prominent African-American Republican women from all walks of life:

Mary McLeod Bethune (1875 - 1955):

Mary McLeod Bethune was an educator, presidential advisor, civil rights advocate, and one of America's most influential African American leaders. As former slaves, Bethune's parents were determined that she accept an offer from a Quaker woman to attend school when few educational opportunities were available to African Americans

Condoleezza Rice (b 1954): With her appointment as the 66th Secretary of State on January 26, 2005, Dr. Condoleezza Rice became the first black woman in our country's history to hold our nation's highest cabinet office.

Jennifer Carroll (b 1959): Jennifer Carroll is Florida's 18th Lieutenant Governor. Upon her election in 2010, she became the first African American woman

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## BLACK HISTORY MONTH

ever elected to this position in Florida. She was a state legislator for over seven years, a small business owner, former Executive Director of Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs and a Navy veteran.

**Harriet Tubman (1821 - 1913):**  
Harriet Tubman was heralded as the "Moses" of black people, leading approximately 300 slaves to freedom during nineteen trips. Her work became even more dangerous with the passage of the Fugitive Slave Law and the offer of awards by slave owners for her capture. She learned about the Underground Railroad which was a secret network of abolitionists, freed blacks, sympathetic whites and Quakers who helped runaway slaves. Tubman became the most influential of the black conductors. After the outbreak of the Civil War, she served with distinction as a soldier, spy, and a nurse, spending time at Fort Monroe, where Jefferson Davis was later imprisoned.

**Sojourner Truth (1797 - 1883)**  
Sojourner Truth was born as a slave in Hurley, New York and became a nationally known speaker on human rights for slaves and women. At the time of her birth, New York and New Jersey were the only northern states that still permitted slavery.

After gaining her freedom, she took the name Sojourner Truth to signify her role as a traveler telling the truth about slavery. She set out on June 1, 1843, walking for miles and gaining fame. Truth's popularity was enhanced by her biography *The Narrative of Sojourner Truth: A Northern Slave* written by the abolitionist Olive Gilbert, with a preface written by William Lloyd Garrison. She was the first prominent African American woman to become directly involved with the white women's suffrage movement. She gave her famous speech, "Ain't I a Woman?" in the 1851 Convention on Women's Rights in Akron, Ohio in response to a clergyman's remarks ridiculing women as too weak and helpless to entrust with the vote. In 1864, she was invited to the White House, where President Abraham Lincoln personally received her. Later she served as a counselor for the National Freedman's Relief Association, retiring in 1875 to Battle Creek, Michigan.

**Ida B. Wells (1862 - 1931)**  
Ida B. Wells was a journalist, advocate for civil rights and an anti-lynching crusader. She was born in Springfield, Mississippi and helped to found the National Association of Colored Women in 1896 and the Negro Fellowship League. She worked with the white Republicans who started the National Association for the Advancement for Colored People

on February 12, 1909.

**Mary Terrell (1863 - 1954)**  
Mary Terrell was a civil rights pioneer and lifelong political activist who fought for equal rights for African American women. Terrell was born in Memphis, Tennessee in 1863. Both her parents were former slaves, but her father became very successful in real estate, making it possible for her to have a privileged childhood. In 1884 she graduated from Oberlin College and in 1886 began teaching in Washington's M Street High School (later known as Dunbar High School). She her husband, Robert Terrell, Washington's first black judge, were the second black family to move into LeDroit Park in 1894.



## WORDS OF WISDOM

"There is not a man of us who does not at times need a helping hand to be stretched out to him, and then shame upon him who will not stretch out the helping hand to his brother."

**Theodore Roosevelt**

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Dear RRC Member:

The Board of Directors of Republicans of River City and I want to thank you for your membership in our Republican club.

Your membership enabled us to accomplish so much this past year. And, your membership made it possible to sponsor college and high school students to take part in Republican events.

Without your membership we would not have been able to have a Republican booth at the Sacramento County Fair and other community events in 2014. And your membership help us support our newsletter and web site and enable us to print literature about our Republican candidates and party.

Once again Republicans of River

City was out front with our endorsements of candidates like Sacramento County Sheriff Scott Jones and our new county District Attorney Anne Marie Schubert.

Unfortunately Doug Ose lost by 1,455 votes in our efforts to help him win reelected to Congress. With your help and other Republicans we can launch a Republican registration program for the county in 2015.

Your membership in RRC will enable us to give out flags at Sacramento New Citizenship ceremony each month and welcome them as American citizens and register them as Republicans to vote in future elections.

Your continual membership in Republicans of River City is critical to any future victories we may have. Membership dues in RRC is still only \$ 25.00 per year,

take a moment right now to activate your renewal by return mail and help us register Republican voters with a contribution of \$99.00, \$149 or \$199 today.

With you as part of our Republican team we can register voters, recruit candidates and more volunteers and have a winning team in place 2016.

Sincerely,  
Carl Burton

PS. Remember now is time to renew your membership in Republicans of River City and in support of our Republican efforts with a contribution of \$25.00 or more today. With you as part of our Republicans of River City team we can register voters, recruit candidates, more volunteers and have a winning team in 2016.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Your membership in Republicans of River City provides you a monthly newsletter, speakers, and an outstanding opportunity to meet your elected officials and California's finest political strategists. River City is also a great way to network and make new friends.

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Yearly Membership:

\_\_\_\_\_ Regular Membership: enclosed is my check for \$25  
(Young Professionals 18-25 \$15 per person)

\_\_\_\_\_ Couples Membership: enclosed is our check for \$40

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mail check to: Republicans of River City

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