



**THE HEMET-SAN JACINTO CHAPTER
OF THE
CALIFORNIA CONGRESS OF REPUBLICANS**

Invites you and your friends

to the

Primary Election Candidate Forum

*April 27, 2026
The Elks Lodge
1305 West Florida, Hemet*

Confirmed Candidates:

Congressional Candidates:

***Joe Males, 25CD
Ceci Truman, 25CD
Jim Desmond, 48CD***

Assembly Candidates:

***Ed Delgado, 60AD
Ron Edwards, 60AD***

Riv County Supervisor, Dis 5:

Eric Stalter

Riverside Superior Court Judge #10: Michelle Paradise

Dinner Reservations Are a Must!

*Social at 6 P.M.
Dinner at 6:30
Members: \$20
Non-Members: \$22
Program Only: \$5*

*Please RSVP
By Thursday, April 23 2026
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CANDIDATE FORUM TO BE FEATURED APRIL 27, 2026 MEETING

Mark April 27 on your calendars! This is your opportunity meet, hear, and question **Republican** candidates on the Primary Election Ballot. **Republicans** will make a choice between two **Republicans** in the 60th AD and two **Republicans** in the 25CD. This is your opportunity to meet and question each candidate. **Republicans Jeff Gonzalez 36AD and Greg Wallis 47AD** are two **Republican incumbents** running unopposed by fellow **Republicans**.

The following have confirmed:
Congressional District 25: **Joe Males and Ceci Truman**;
Congressional District 48: **Jim Desmond**;
Assembly District 60: **Ed Delgado and Ron Edwards**;
Riverside County Superior Court Judge #10: **Michelle Paradise**.
HSJCR will also hear from **Eric Stalter**.

The **HSJCR** does not preprimary endorse; however, the April meeting will give each member an opportunity to evaluate the qualifications of each candidate. Please feel free to bring any interested **Republicans**.

**BE AN INFORMED VOTER!!!
COME TO THE APRIL 27 FORUM**

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES SAN JACINTO VALLEY

The area encompassed by the **HSJCR** includes Hemet, San Jacinto, Idyllwild, and outlying areas. The make-up of elected legislators is as follows:

The **HSJCR** area has three Assembly Districts: **Jeff Gonzalez, 36AD, Greg Wallis, 47AD, and Democrat Corey Jackson, 60AD**. Assemblymen **Gonzalez and Wallis** are the only **Republicans** running in their Districts. **Republicans** have two candidates vying for **Corey Jackson's seat in the 60AD: Ron Edwards and Ed Delgado**.

On the **State Senate** side, **Senator Kelly Seyarto, 32SD** is the **Republican** candidate. Two other **State Senate Districts** cover this area: **Rosilicie Ochoa-Bogh, 19SD and Sabrina Cervantes (D) 31SD**. Neither seat is up in 2026.

The **HSJCR** area includes two **Congressional Districts, 25 and 48**. **Republicans Joe Males and Ceci Truman** are vying for the seat currently held by **Democrat Congressman Raul Ruiz**. The **48CD** now reaches into Hemet. At this time, there is one **Republican listed: Jim Desmond**.

In addition, **Michelle Paradise** is a candidate for a seat on Superior Court #10.

Meeting Information

The **Hemet San Jacinto Congress of Republican's** April 27 meeting is at **The Elks at 1305 West Florida, Hemet**. Check-in is 6 p.m. with the program at 6:30.

To reserve, contact **Joanne at quiltersite2@yahoo.com or 951-663-7870**. Please reserve by **April 23, 2026**. If you reserve and are unable to attend, cancel with **Joanne**.

The **HSJCR** is charged for all reservations which causes an unnecessary financial burden for the organization when members reserve and are 'no-shows'.

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Reagan Generation: Nancy Reagan tells the story of how President Ronald Reagan was once challenged by a college student who said it was impossible for Reagan's generation to understand his.
"You grew up in a different world," the student said, "Today we have television, jet planes, space travel, nuclear energy, computers..."
Taking advantage of a pause in the student's litany, Reagan said, "You're right! We didn't have those things when we were young. We INVENTED them."

HEMET SAN JACINTO CONGRESS OF REPUBLICANS MEMBERSHIP

At this time, the **HSJCR** has approximately 90 paid up 2026 members.

The annual Membership Directory for the **Hemet San Jacinto Congress of Republicans** was distributed at the March meeting. This lists 2026 members, legislators, past presidents, and has other pertinent information!!



CALIFORNIA CONGRESS OF REPUBLICANS

California Congress of Republicans Endorsing Convention met Wednesday, March 18, 2026 at 7:15 p.m. via zoom for the explicit purpose of endorsing candidates for the June Primary Election.

The state leadership has not sent out the endorsement list to the local Chapters; however, the information should be available at the **California Congress of Republicans** meeting at the **CaGOP Convention in San Diego**.

CALIFORNIA REPUBLICAN PARTY CONVENTION

The Spring Convention for the California Republican Party is at the Sheraton Hotel and Resort in San Diego. In addition to the workshops and camaraderie, endorsements will take place Sunday afternoon.

The Saturday Banquet speaker is **Senator Ted Cruz**. **Republican** legislative representatives will be speaking at special sessions.

If you wish to attend as a guest, visit the CRP convention website. Guest registration is \$220 per person.

Hemet San Jacinto Valley Republican Women’s Club Federated is taking a hiatus and will be dormant for a period of time. If any of you enterprising ladies would like to rejuvenate the organization, please step forward.

Active groups of ladies can be a force in getting our Republican candidates elected.



REPUBLICAN PARTY OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY

The March 26, 2026 meeting of the **Republican Party of Riverside County** was held at the Elks Lodge in Hemet.

The meeting served as the preprimary endorsing meeting for the **RPRC**.

The following received the endorsement of the **RPRC**:

Congress: Congressman Ken Calvert 40CD, Joe Males 25CD, Steve Manos 39CD. **State Senate:** Kelly Seyarto 32SD, Art Hodges 18SD. **Assembly:** Jeff Gonzalez 36AD, Leticia Castillo 58AD, Ed Delgado 60AD, Natasha Johnson 63AD, and Kate Sanchez 71AD. **Judge of Superior Court #10** Michelle Paradise, **County Supervisor D2** Karen Spiegel, **State Board of Equalization** Denis Bilodeau, **Superintendent of Public Instruction** Sonia Shaw, **Secretary of State** Donald Wagner, and **Governor** Chad Bianco.

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The most important seat is **Governor**. **Two Republicans are vying for the top spot: Sheriff Chad Bianco and Steve Hilton**. There is a possibility they may be vying for the top spot in the General Election.

With the Jungle Primary, it is vitally important that all **Republicans** vote! Remember that the **Jungle Primary** puts the top two vote-getters in the General Election. Yes, it could mean two Republicans in a district or two Democrats.

When you see that in order to produce, you need to obtain permission from men who produce nothing—When you see that money is flowing to those who deal, not in goods, but in favors—When you see that men get richer by graft and by pull than by work, and your laws don't protect you against them, but protect them against you—When you see corruption being rewarded and honesty becoming a self-sacrifice - you may know that your society is doomed."

*Ayn Rand,
Atlas Shrugged, 1957*

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING RECAP

The **Hemet San Jacinto Congress of Republicans Board** met at the Greater SanJacinto Valley Chamber offices. Those in attendance were **President Tom Wilson, Sharon Durbin, Dale Dieleman, Joanne Dieleman, Keith Meissner, Robin Lowe, Dick English, Ken and Renee Campbell, Marcie Martinez, Todd Stamps, Charlene Stover**.

The following items were covered:

- Treasurer’s Report by **Keith Meissner**.
- **Program Chair Dale Dieleman** distributed information regarding programs for the remainder of 2026 as well as information on the new congressional boundaries.
- An update was given on the **RPRC** March Endorsement meeting.
- MSC to have a merchandise table.
- **Membership Chair Robin Lowe** gave a Membership Report.



PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

President Tom Wilson

Happy April,

What great time of year! Beautiful Ramona Bowl for Easter Sunrise Services, Easter Egg hunts, and Candidate Forum at **The Hemet San Jacinto Congress of Republicans** meeting on Monday, April 27.

We are inviting all Republican Candidates running for office that affect our valley to come to our meeting and tell us about themselves and their purpose for seeking office. The April meeting is one not to miss.

We hope to see everyone there and remember to RSVP to Joanne so we can save a place for you. Bring a friend, neighbor, or relative. We are here to help people be informed in the coming election.

Looking forward to seeing you
President Tom

ONCE IN A BLUE MOON!

It is those intercalated days, by the way, that make possible the phenomenon of the “blue moon.” Usually there is just one full moon per month, but should it fall in the first three days of a 31-day month or the first two days of a 30-day month, you can have two full moons in one month; the second is the one known as the blue moon.

This generally happens only once a year, giving rise to the expression “once in a blue moon,” meaning a rare occurrence. Even more unusual is to have two blue moons in one year, something that happens only if the first full moon of the year falls on January 1. So if something is as rare as hen’s teeth, better say, “twice in blue moons.”

APRIL DATES

The following are memorable American History dates:

April 5, 1986: A bomb exploded at a popular discotheque frequented by American military personnel in West Berlin, killing two U.S. soldiers and a Turkish woman. American intelligence analysts attributed the attack to Muammar Qaddafi of Libya. Nine days later, **President Ronald Reagan** ordered a retaliatory air strike against Libya.

April 6, 1917: Following a vote by Congress approving a declaration of war, the U.S. entered World War I in Europe.

April 8, 1913 - The 17th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified requiring direct popular election of U.S. senators. Previously, they had been chosen by state legislatures.

April 10, 1945 - The Nazi concentration camp at Buchenwald was liberated by U.S. troops. Located near Weimar in Germany, Buchenwald was established in July 1937 to hold criminals and was one of the first major concentration camps. It later included Jews and homosexuals and was used as a slave labor center for nearby German companies. Of a total of 238,980 Buchenwald inmates, 56,545 perished.

April 14, 1828: The first dictionary of American-style English was published by Noah Webster as the *American Dictionary of the English Language*.

April 14, 1965: Shortly after 10:00 p.m. on April 14, 1865, actor John Wilkes Booth entered the presidential box at Ford's Theatre in Washington, D.C., and fatally shot President Abraham Lincoln. As Lincoln slumped forward in his seat, Booth leapt onto the stage and escaped out the back door.

April 15, 1947: Jackie Robinson put on his first Brooklyn Dodgers uniform (number 42) and broke the Major League Baseball “color line”.

April 22, 1864: “In God WE Trust” was included on all newly minted U.S. coins by an Act of Congress.

April 30, 1789 - George Washington became the first U.S. President as he was administered the oath of office on the balcony of Federal Hall at the corner of Wall and Broad Streets in New York City.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

“I think that the best possible social program is a job.”

President Ronald Reagan

“There are advantages to being elected president. The day after I was elected, I had my high-school grades classified as Top Secret.”

President Ronald Reagan

“I consider all proposals for government action with an open mind before voting ‘no’.”

President Ronald Reagan

“The short memories of American voters is what keeps our politicians in office.”

Will Rogers

“One of the great mistakes is to judge policies and programs by their intentions rather than their results.”

Milton Friedman

“Socialism is a philosophy of failure, the creed of ignorance, and the gospel of envy, its inherent virtue is the equal shring of misery.”

Sir Winston Churchill

TRIVIA

I feel like my body has gotten totally out of shape, so I got my doctor’s permission to join a fitness club and start exercising. I decided to take an aerobics class for seniors. I bent, twisted, gyrated, jumped up and down, and perspired for an hour. But, by the time I got my leotards on, the class was over.

What’s the biggest advantage of going back to school as a retiree? (If you cut classes, no one calls your parents.)

What is the common term for someone who enjoys work and refuses to retire? (NUTS)

Definitions:

Raisin: A grape with a sunburn.

Mosquito: An insect that makes you like flies better.

Toothache: The pain that drives you to extraction.

The reason women don’t play football is because 11 of them would never wear the same outfit in public. Phyllis Diller

Tranquillizers work only if you follow the advice on the bottle—keep away from children. Phyllis Diller

Best way to get rid of kitchen odors: Eat Out. Phyllis Diller

Play on words:

The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine is now fully recovered.

A boiled egg is hard to beat.

A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.

I’m not short, I’m just more down to earth than other people.

The Officer said, “You drinking?” I said, “You buying?” We just laughed and laughed. I need bail money.