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A 527 Organization



### In Flanders Fields

In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below:

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved, and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields

Punch  
Dec 8-1915

John McCrae

During the early days of the Second Battle of Ypres a young Canadian artillery officer, Lieutenant Alexis Helmer, was killed on 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 1915 in the gun positions near Ypres. An exploding German artillery shell landed near him. He was serving in the same Canadian artillery unit as a friend of his, the Canadian military doctor and artillery commander Major John McCrae. As the brigade doctor, John McCrae was asked to conduct the burial service for Alexis because the chaplain had been called away somewhere else on duty that evening. It is believed that later that evening, after the burial, John began the draft for his now famous poem "In Flanders Fields".



2013

May 25-27 Memorial Weekend

May 28 Monthly Meeting- CANCELLED

June 22 June Meeting changed to:  
"Wine Country Rustic BBQ"  
Saturday, June 22, 2013  
1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
Wine Country Polo Fields  
Speaker confirmed: Jim Brulte  
California Republican Party Chairman

**Sonoma County GOP.** Meeting the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Information-707 542-7066 www.sonomagop.org

**North Sonoma County Republican Club.** meeting held every other month. Next meeting is June 19. Adel's Restaurant, 198 Dry Creek Rd., Healdsburg, CA 7:30 a.m. Please call Rosalie Parks for more info 707.849.1454

**Oakmont Republican Club.** Oakmont East Recreation Center, Contact Barbara Russell 293-8938

**North Bay Patriots.** Veteran's Memorial Hall, 8505 Park Ave, Cotati, Contact Gary Hahn 795-8223

#### Republican Women Federated Clubs

**Marin RWF** - Meets fourth Wednesday of each month  
www.maringop.org

**Napa Valley RWF** - Meets second Thursday of each month  
www.napagop.org

**Napa Vintage RWF** - Meets third Thursday Evening  
707-554-4710

**Novato RWF** - Meets third Tuesday of each month  
www.novatorwf.org

**Sonoma Valley RWF** - Meets Second Thursday each month  
707 938-5055

**Upper Napa RWF** - Meets Second Monday. Call  
Marjorie Preston 707-226-2914



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## Republican Women are...Leading The Way

### NO MEETING IN MAY

(Fountaingrove Country Club closed for Memorial Day including Tues. May 28)

### "Wine Country Rustic BBQ"

Saturday, June 22, 2013

1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.



## Wine Country Polo Fields

550 White Oak Drive

Santa Rosa, CA 95409

(Next to Wild Oak Saddle Club – Oakmont)

\$65.00 per person

Join us for a Round-up social hour

Catered dinner by Wild Oak Saddle Club

Includes: appetizers, wine, beer, soft drinks, seven course dinner plus dessert

Chance to win one of our premium-prize raffle baskets

(Tickets sold separately)

**Guest Speaker: Jim Brulte, Chairman California Republican Party**

RSVP 525-8085

Send check to SRRWF

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Cancellation - Transportation - call 707.525.8085 Please make your reservation by: June 12, 2013

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**



May is a very busy month for most of us Patriots. Cinco de Mayo, Mother's Day, graduations, Memorial/Decoration Day, and planning summer vacations; all great times to spend with our families and friends.

I am sorry many of you missed our April luncheon and guest speaker, Richard Jones, President of Vet Connect in Sonoma County. He was very informative about the local veterans' services available and helped us realize a lot of veterans need assistance in learning what is available for them and navigating the "red tape." We have decided to reach out to Vet Connect and make them our Americanism project. So don't discard those extra and gently used kitchen utensils, knick-knacks, towels, bedding, and household furniture (excluding mattresses and clothing please). Also, Saturday, May 18 is Armed Forces Day. Remember to fly your flag in honor of our great veterans.

Due to Fountaingrove Country Club being closed for the Memorial Day weekend, including Tuesday, we have decided to table the May meeting. So put that money in the cookie jar and add a little to it for our annual picnic, June 22, 2013. I am happy to confirm that this event will be held at Wine Country Polo Fields in Oakmont, next to Wild Oak Saddle Club (WOSC). We will enjoy a wonderful Western BBQ catered by WOSC, take in a polo match, should you so desire. Our guest speaker will be Jim Brulte; Chairperson of California Republican Party (CRP). Let's make sure we fill the place with Republicans! Bring your friends and neighbors. What a delightful day we will have! We will have Premium Prizes for our raffle so be prepared.

Memorial Day is May 27. Please be sure to attend a service at the cemetery of your choice to honor all of our veterans. Wear your red poppy this month, especially on Memorial Day.

**God Bless Our Veterans, Troops and the USA!**

Rosalie Parks , President

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

Nancy Maier, Chairperson

The Per Capita Report #4, dated May 5, 2013, SRRWF shows 76 paid members. If you haven't renewed your membership, please do so. The Club Roster Book is due to be updated and for your name to be included, dues must be paid.

Please welcome the following new members:

- Kaitlin Church
- Andrea Geary - new Treasurer
- Anne Marie Heidingsfelder
- Karen Zahasky

At the June picnic introduce yourself to these new members. Let them know that we welcome them and are delighted that they have chosen to become part of "the team."

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Elected Officers Information

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**NANCY MAIER - SRRWF WOMEN IN BUSINESS**



Our Santa Rosa Republican Woman in Business this month is our Parliamentarian and Membership Chair, Nancy Maier.

Nancy was born in St. Louis, Missouri. Her father was a Pharmacist who worked for Parke Davis. She noted that this was a time when the Pharmacist actually made the pills. Her father was promoted to the head office in Detroit but by that time Nancy had married and left home.

Nancy completed high school in St. Louis and then completed a year of secretarial school. Besides typing Nancy learned the Thomas method of shorthand. One of the assignments of the school was that students had to apply for a federal, state or city job. Nancy completed the assignment and promptly got a job with the FBI in St. Louis as a Stenographer. She also was a relief person on the switchboard.

In 1953, Nancy met her husband, Don, who was a First Office FBI Agent. They married in 1954 and at that point Don was transferred to New Haven, Connecticut.

In New Haven, Nancy got a job as Secretary to a Yale Professor. This lasted six months at which time Don was transferred to Los Angeles. In Los Angeles, Nancy was a homemaker for a period of time and did not work outside the home.

Nancy noted that Don had been a pilot in World War II, Korea and Vietnam. He stayed in the Reserves for 35 years and retired as a Lieutenant Colonel in the Air Force Reserves.

Don left the FBI and went to work for Lockheed in the area of security. Nancy got a job as Secretary to the City Manager of West Covina. She stayed there for one year. Lockheed then transferred Don to their facility in Sunnyvale. The family moved to Saratoga and Don and Nancy lived there until 2002.

In Saratoga, initially Nancy was asked to work as a Clerk at West Valley Junior College Book Store. She then was offered a job as Secretary to the Engineering Technical Division at the college. She stayed in this position for seven years. Her next move was to the Education Office where she was in charge of credentialing all part time and overload full time teachers along with checking their time cards. She was in this position for four years.

During this time Don started a financial planning business. Nancy would work in this business on and off. She also was Secretary to the Assistant Superintendent of Finance of West Valley College for four years.

For seven years, Nancy was the Secretary for a Civil Engineer in Santa Clara.. She handled the books including payroll and receivables, union deductions and quarterly taxes.

In 2002, Nancy and Don moved to Sonoma, CA. In 2003, Nancy joined the auxiliary at Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital. She started in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) and helped the nursing staff in whatever they wanted her to do. She subsequently joined the membership committee at Memorial. It is her job to interview volunteers, process paper work and train the volunteers in the ICU.

Nancy joined West Valley Federated Republican Women in 1985. She states that she held every office the club had.

Don and Nancy had three children. Don died in 2008. Nancy has continued her volunteer work at the hospital and for Republican Women.



*Santa Rosa Republican Women, Federated*

**Membership Form 2013**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

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Newsletter by mail \_\_\_\_\_ or E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate the appropriate membership:

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$35 Active Member**

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$50 Sustaining Member** (Registered **Republican woman** interested in supporting the Club, receiving our newsletter and information.)

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$30 Associate Member** (A non-voting membership for a woman who is an active member of another Republican Women Federated Club, or who is not a citizen of the United States, or a man who is interested in promoting the goals and objectives of the Republican Women Federated.)

\_\_\_\_\_ **Free Honorary Membership** - Republican Woman 90 years plus. (You have to tell us!)

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$10 Student Membership**

**Make checks payable to SRRWF & mail to:**

**SRRWF - Treasurer**

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Membership form also on the website [www.santarosarwf.org](http://www.santarosarwf.org) and may be charged to your credit card for a \$2.00 fee.



**Sonoma County Republican Party Central Committee**

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**AMERICANISM**

At our April meeting, we were pleased to have Richard Jones speak to us from Sonoma County VET-CONNECT - "Veterans Helping Veterans".

Mission Statement: Our sole purpose is to provide outreach to all former military service members (male AND female) and their families. To assist those persons in gaining access to services and benefits due them for their service to our country. Sonoma County Vet Connect is an apolitical, not-for-profit partnership between a committee of veteran volunteers, federal, state and local government agencies and several non-profit community organizations.

VetConnect is here to serve all military veterans and their families, from the recently returned to the retirees, including those who have served in combat and in peacetime and regardless of the character of their discharge. VetConnect is a one-stop, no-cost resource for information, assistance and referral regarding veterans' benefits:

- VA health care
- Counseling for veterans and their families
- Housing and employment counseling

The organization is seeking funds AND Furniture Donations Program. They accept donations of furniture and other household goods (except clothing) for veterans receiving VA assisted housing. If you are a family member concerned about the emotional or physical health of a veteran, you are welcome to attend.

Across the county, half-day clinics take place - monthly in Guerneville, Petaluma, and Sonoma, - and weekly in Santa Rosa. Call (707) 536-1656 for information.

**WAYS AND MEANS:**

WANTED!! Used books for our Ways and Means table! Please bring them with you to our next members meeting! Recent (non-fiction) best sellers preferred. If there are any specific jewelry items you would like to see on our table, please email Joan Gatley at joaniegat@yahoo.com to let me know. We hope to see all members participate in the upcoming fundraiser.



It is very apparent that the cultural battles monogamy, equal rights for women, freedom of expression and a uniform justice system. going on in this country and the world are causing much consternation and confusion.

Part of this confusion is probably due to the fact that many Americans are unaware of how terms are being manipulated. Let us review how the language is defined, mangled and used for a political purpose.

There is much confusion about the term multiculturalism.

Multiculturalism is generally defined as the preservation of different cultures or cultural identities within a unified society, as a state or nation.

Sounds good doesn't it? However, in practice that is not what is happening and interpreted by the powers that be.

There is much ignorance about the difference between multiculturalism and pluralism. A pluralistic society is not so much a melting pot but a stew. A pluralistic society is one in which minority groups maintain their independent cultural traditions and where no minority imposes their views on other groups. In a pluralistic society, a minority does not attempt to subvert other groups and impose their agenda on a country.

Multiculturalism in today's world means that all cultures are equal. Therefore, a "religion" that practices genital mutilation of girls and women is ok because that is the group's culture. A culture that believes that honor killings are ok is accepted because that is the group's culture. This attitude has been supported in some court decisions. Multiculturalism claims that the values of a minority should have equal status to those of the majority. Supporters of Multiculturalism see no need to integrate into the society.

Multiculturalism supporters make the argument that anyone, even a primitive native, could be trained to fly a 747. That may be true. However, the cultures are not equal because the primitive culture could not build the 747. Equality between individuals doesn't mean that cultures are equal.

Pluralism, unlike multiculturalism, does not try to impose the same status on everyone.

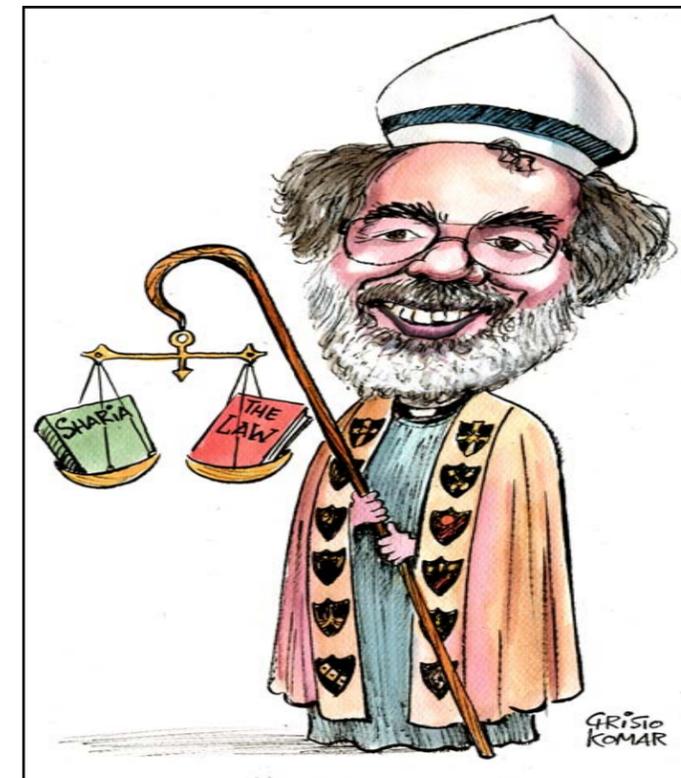
Our society cannot survive unless we have a set of common values, regardless of where we come from. Those common values are things like freedom of conscience,

Where is the outrage about the lack of freedom of many of these cultures? Where are the people who should be defending the principles that America was founded on? Have we been totally co-opted by the politically correct mantra of the left?

We have been reluctant to champion our American values. People come here from any country and can become Americans. That does not happen in Europe, Asia and the Middle East. Immigrants there do not become French or Chinese or Iraqi. We have become reticent to talk about American exceptionalism. Unfortunately, we have a President who does not believe in American exceptionalism. According to him, all countries are equal as regards exceptionalism.

If Americans want to save their country, they will have to confront the erosion of our values and the assault on our country.

Information gathered from Dictionary.com definition of multiculturalism, Pluralism vs. multiculturalism at examiner.com/article.



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**BEWARE THE THINGS THAT GROW IN THE DARK**

Press Democrat, May 8, 2013 Dan Walters:

**California reverting to secrecy**

There's nothing ambiguous about Article IV, Section 8a of the California Constitution:

"At regular sessions no bill other than the budget bill may be heard or acted upon by committee or either (legislative) house until the 31st day after the bill has been introduced unless the house dispenses with this requirement by roll-call vote entered into the journal, three-fourths of the membership concurring."

Its purpose is clear: The Legislature should give the public and those directly affected some time to weigh the import and impact of a new law before it is enacted, unless there's a genuine emergency.

Or, to turn it around, it's bad form for the Legislature to whip up secret legislation and impose it on the public. But the Legislature often does just that, thus violating the spirit, and perhaps the letter, of the constitution.

**It's called "gut-and-amend."**

Suddenly – usually in the final, hectic hours of a legislative session – a dormant bill is stripped of its contents and entirely new language is inserted. The new measure is quickly enacted, sometimes before legislators can even read it.

This pernicious practice has become even worse in recent months. Democratic legislative leaders now routinely insert token

\$1,000 appropriations into late-blooming bills and declare them to be "budget trailer bills."

They can then be enacted with simple majority votes and take effect immediately upon being signed by the governor, without the customary 90-day waiting period.

Bipartisan constitutional amendments have been introduced to require bills to be in print for 72 hours before any vote, except in a genuine emergency.

But a supposedly objective Assembly staff analysis is an Orwellian apologia for secret bill-writing. Requiring a 72-hour review window, it says, "can allow the resolve for action to dissipate, and special interests can work to block carefully crafted agreements."

In reality, special-interest lobbyists are deeply involved in what have been dubbed "mushroom bills," because they grow in the dark. Not surprisingly, legislative leaders have sidetracked the reforms – without a public vote, of course.

As loathsome as writing laws in secret may be, it is not the only example of California's trend of official secrecy.

The Fresno Bee is raising a stink about the secret process by which a new president of Fresno State is being chosen. A group of judges is complaining about the refusal of the state Judicial Council, headed by Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye, to respond to its requests for documents related to judicial financing. Secret government is becoming routine in California, once a pioneer in open meetings and open records laws. We Californians should not tolerate being treated so arrogantly by our supposed public servants.

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**Learning about Propositions**

By: Claire Sirchia Plotner, CFRW Legislative Analyst

A citizen, Dr. John Randolph Haynes, who was concerned about the bribery and corruption at the state level, started a grassroots campaign to introduce a state-wide initiative and referendum process. He attempted to reform Sacramento and bring rational government into California when it became apparent that graft was the business standard in Sacramento. Concerned citizens established the Lincoln-Roosevelt League of Republican Clubs in May of 1907. Their candidates won election and started state reform as well as the primary process in California. The result was the election of Gov. Hiram Johnson, a Liberal Republican, who implemented the initiative and referendum process, i.e. direct democracy, in California. That was 1911. (Initiative and Referendum Institute USC).

Since then 1,759 ballot measures were submitted, 360 were placed on the ballot and 122 were approved. Historically, less than 10% of attempted ballot measures make it into law.

**Ballot measures** are either recalls, referendum or initiatives. Citizens may initiative any of these processes through the Secretary of State's Office. The cost to start the procedure is \$200.00. California citizens can write it or receive assistance from the Secretary's office for ballot language. See the Secretary of State's website for details.

**Referendums:** by the citizens - reject recently passed laws or parts of laws that were voted on by the Legislative and Executive branches in Sacramento. Any California citizen may challenge or approve statues with the exception of taxes. Citizens have ninety days from the enactment of a bill to request and receive title and summary from the Attorney General, gather signatures (504,760 valid) and file the petition. A simple majority of the electorate must approve.

**Referendums** placed on the ballot by the legislature have the effect of becoming constitutional law if passed by a simple majority.

**Initiatives:** Initiatives are ballot measures introduced by citizens. There are two types, Constitutional and standard:

1. **A constitutional** initiative requires 807,616 valid signatures to qualify. Constitutional initiatives are the most secure as they cannot be overturned except by a very complicated process.
2. **Standard initiatives** require 504,760 signatures and cannot be overturned by a simple majority vote in Sacramento.

In summary, ballot measures are recalls, referendum or initiatives. Propositions are created by citizens are either recalls, referendums to reject laws passed in Sacramento or initiatives to create law. Propositions by the government are referendum to turn a standard law into a constitutional amendment.

All California constitutional laws cannot be overturned easily. A referendum and a constitutional convention are necessary.



**CFRW NORTHERN DIVISION**

**Roseann Shlonsky-Breault, President**

The Spring conference of CFRWND was held on April 27th in Redding Ca. The speakers were very good and included newly elected Assemblyman Brian Dahle, Assemblyman Dan Logue, State Senator Jim Nielsen, A panel on Agenda 21, Congressman Doug La Malfa and Iгоре Birman who is Chief of Staff to Congressman Tom McClintock. We also heard from Eric Cristen, an activist who has founded the Coalition for Fair Employment in Construction. This was Redding so it got to 99 degrees on Saturday. Three Cheers for Air Conditioning!

**FEDERATED REPUBLICAN WOMEN**

September 20-23, 2013 37th Biennial Convention  
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October  
October



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**What You Need to Know About the Senate Immigration Bill Third in a Series**

In the past two weeks, the first two parts of the Senate immigration bill released by the "gang of eight" last month have been analyzed. The bill is divided into four parts, dealing with border security, immigrant visas, interior enforcement, and non-immigrant visa programs. Last week, Title II of the bill concerning immigrant visas was analyzed, and the eligibility requirements for an unlawful immigrant to apply for and receive provisional immigrant status are generous. Indeed, there are three groups of unlawful immigrants whose applications will be accepted almost prima facie: mothers with children, the disabled, and the elderly. This week, Title III will be analyzed, dealing with interior enforcement of immigration laws:

A great deal of interior enforcement mechanisms and procedures will rest on the implementation of the Employment Verification System (E-Verify). This title outlines the parameters and timeline of how E-Verify will become a program of required use by employers across the country.

- ◆ First, the Title makes clear that the bill does not prohibit someone from hiring an individual with provisional immigrant status if he or she was previously an unlawful immigrant (396).
- ◆ The Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) will set up and be in charge of operating the E-Verify system. DHS will take care of the work flow the system creates, any fraud detected by the system, and the security of the system (420).
- ◆ Federal government agencies will have to use E-Verify, and they can start on the day this bill is passed or 90 days after the bill is passed (421).
- ◆ Federal government contractors will have to begin using E-Verify as well (422).
- ◆ One year after the date the Secretary of DHS publishes the regulations for implementing E-Verify, she can direct any person or employer involved in the "critical infrastructure" to participate in E-Verify. The "critical infrastructure" is defined in the Patriot Act of 2001 as "systems and assets, whether physical or virtual, so vital to the United States that the incapacity or destruction of such systems and assets

would have a debilitating impact on security, national economic security, national public health or safety, or any combination of those matters."

- ◆ Employers with more than 5,000 employees must implement E-Verify no later than two years after the regulations to do so are published. After they implement the system, all new hires and employees with expiring temporary employment authorization documents will have to be run through the system (423).
- ◆ Employers with more than 500 employees must implement E-Verify no later than 3 years after the regulations to do so are published (423-424).
- ◆ All other employers have up to four years to implement E-Verify after the regulations to do so are published (424).
- ◆ Employees that perform agricultural labor are excluded from being run through the system until four years after the Legal Workforce Act is enacted (424).
- ◆ The Legal Workforce Act of 2013 was re-introduced in the House of Representatives on April 26, 2013 by Rep. Lamar Smith (R.-TX), and referred to committee for further review. Only 11% of bills make it out of committee review.
- ◆ Tribal governments get five years to implement E-Verify, after the regulations to do so have been published (425).
- ◆ Employers can also implement E-Verify voluntarily (426).
- ◆ If it has been proven that an employer has hired unauthorized immigrants, the employer may be required to run current employees, not just new hires, through the system (426).
- ◆ If an employee has received a "nonconfirmation" notice through E-Verify, and chooses not to contest the nonconfirmation, it will not be considered an admission of guilt (437). In other words, if an employee is not verified through the system as someone who can lawfully work in the United States, and the employee chooses not to fight it, he or she will not be considered guilty of violating any law.
- ◆ Individuals will be able to "self-verify" by contacting the appropriate agency (448).
- ◆ If an employer is found to routinely hire unlawful immigrants, he or she has to pay civil penalties and fines that increase by degrees depending on how many times they have been proven to hire unlawful immigrants or fail to use E-Verify (480-482).

This bill will allow millions of current unlawful immigrants to one day be citizens and therefore eligible for social security benefits. Therefore, Title III of the bill also mandates the Social Security Administration to issue new Social Security cards that are fraud-resistant, tamper-resistant, wear-resistant, and identity theft-resistant five years after this bill is passed (504-505). This will cost \$1 billion for FY 2014, or until the funds are used.