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"GOVERNMENT IS RUN BY THOSE WHO SHOW UP!"

Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, April 26, 2011

FountainGrove Golf and Athletic Club
1525 FountainGrove Parkway, Santa Rosa

Golf carts will be available for members due to the overflow of parking beginning at 10:45 to 11:30 before each meeting. They will pick you up at your car and take you to the front door of the club. After 1pm, they will drive you back to your car. If you have any special concerns, please contact a board member and we will do our best to accommodate.

11:15 am Business Meeting

Peter M. Friedman

Speaking on The Threat of Sharia (Islamic Law) in America

A Vietnam vet with the U.S. Navy, Mr. Friedman has been in the U.S. Defense Industry since 1965 and worked undercover with the FBI and Department of Defense. He is currently president of the Pleasant Hill Chapter of ACT! for America, an anti-Sharia movement started by Brigitte Gabriel.

\$25 reservations in Advance

\$28 without advance reservation

Reservation by April 22nd

If you have any special dietary needs, please inform us when you make your reservations. Please make reservations by Friday before the meeting so that we can confirm our total counts with Fountaingrove.

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We have a table in the back of the room that we place a reserve sign on to accommodate late arrivals and those unable to make reservations in advance. We ask all members to fill in other tables first so we can accommodate late comers easily and more readily when they come in the door.

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President's Message - Marie Derr

Welcome to Spring! I hope you have enjoyed the warm days we have had giving us a break from the rain. April is an exciting month for Republican Women. We will have our first evening satellite meeting on April 15th in Windsor. Please spread the word to prospective new members that we will meet in the evenings and to come and join us.

Our members are doing great things getting involved with redistricting, attending city council meetings and with the Central Committee. Voter registration drives will begin in May, June and July with the Sonoma County Republican Party, details to follow soon. We also have the Chairman of the CA Republican Party coming on April 28th to Santa Rosa. There are a lot of Republican events and ways to get involved. So I call all members to action to attend events and join forces to help change this county and make sure our conservative voices and opinions are heard. Many details are included in this newsletter. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Enjoy the weather and stay active. We will continue to provide opportunities to become more involved. See you on April 15th and on April 26th for two fantastic meetings with great speakers.

Marie



Speaker - Peter Friedman

For over 40 years Peter Friedman has been studying Islam and the Koran and lecturing on the threat to America. Peter is a regular guest on Brian Sussman's show on KSFO 560 in the Bay area as well as the Jim Franklin radio show on KMJ 580 out of Fresno. Peter also speaks regularly to Republican Women's groups, Tea Parties and

912 groups. He discusses and debates the threat of Islam in various public forums.

Peter operates his own aircraft maintenance business at Concord Airport with an exclusive contract on the military C9 aircraft operated by the Navy and Marines with three aircraft in the Air Force One Fleet. Peter is a Vietnam vet of the U.S. Navy and has been in the aircraft business since 1965. He holds every FAA License in both maintenance and operations and is a Certified Quality Auditor.

Peter also has one of the largest collections of Napoleon letters in the United States and lectures on Napoleon as well.

Friedman's 40 year interest in Islam led to his extensive research of the Koran and its effect on Western civilization. He authored an exclusive, easy-to-use "Koran Index" to the hostile portions of the Koran which makes them accessible to the general public and has been used as a reference by numerous western media.

Here is a chance SRRWF can be involved and take a positive small government message to this townhall.

Budget Town Halls

Assemblymember Jared Huffman (D) and "Next 10" (D?)

An independent non-profit organization, Next 10, has created an innovative Budget Challenge that mirrors the decisions I'll have to make to balance our state's budget deficit. The simulation contains accurate figures for California's revenues and expenditures, the Governor's proposed cuts, and alternatives so that you can make your own choices.

I invite you to take the California Budget Challenge.

Wednesday, April 20, 2011

5:30 - 7p.m.

Petaluma Community Center at Lucchesi Park

320 N. McDowell Blvd.

Petaluma, CA 94954

Email Jenny.callaway@asm.ca.gov or call 415-479-4920 for more information.

At the event you'll be given response clickers that allow you to vote on policy options and see the results instantly. You'll have the opportunity to choose how much you would spend on schools, prisons, the environment, and other state programs - and how you would pay for them. Your responses to the Budget Challenge will give me the feedback I can take back to Sacramento! Invite your friends! For more information visit www.asm.ca.gov/huffman



THE SKEPTICAL OBSERVER

As a result of the deranged gerrymandering of state and congressional districts in California, Proposition 11 was passed in 2008. The proposition established the **California Citizens Redistricting Commission (CCRC)** that was to be in charge of re-drawing district lines for the Assembly and Senate in California and the Board of Equalization districts.

During the 2008 election, Nancy Pelosi and our two Senators kept redistricting of congressional seats off the ballot. In 2010, Proposition 20 on the ballot passed and that means that the Commission created by Proposition 11 was to be in charge of re-drawing district lines for California's Congressional delegation. The Democrat Party attempted to do away with the CCRC by repealing Proposition 11 per the language in Proposition 27. Proposition 27 was defeated with 59.5% of voters in support of the commission.

The CCRC has 14 members.

Democrats	Republicans	Unaffiliated "Other Party"
Cynthia Dai	Vincent Barabba	Stanley Forbes
Angelo Ancheta	Jodie Filkins Webber	Connie Galambos
Jeanne Raya	Peter Yao	Michelle DiGuilio-Matz
Gabino Aguirre	Gil Ontai	M. Andre Parvenu
Maria Blanco	Michael Ward	

CCRC meetings are being held around the state. The map on this page indicates the different regions where the Commission will be meeting. There are Nine Regions and the first meeting was held in Redding on April 9. The input meeting for region 8 will be in Santa Rosa on May 20th from 6 –9 pm. The full commission is set to meet on May 24th when groups will be able to submit their maps for the whole state. Location for both meetings will be announced. Calendar, locations and type of meeting can be found on www.wedrawthelines.com.

The issues of redistricting include Communities of Interest and the 50% Rule for Minority Districts. District lines can be drawn a number of ways to include more members of one group than another.

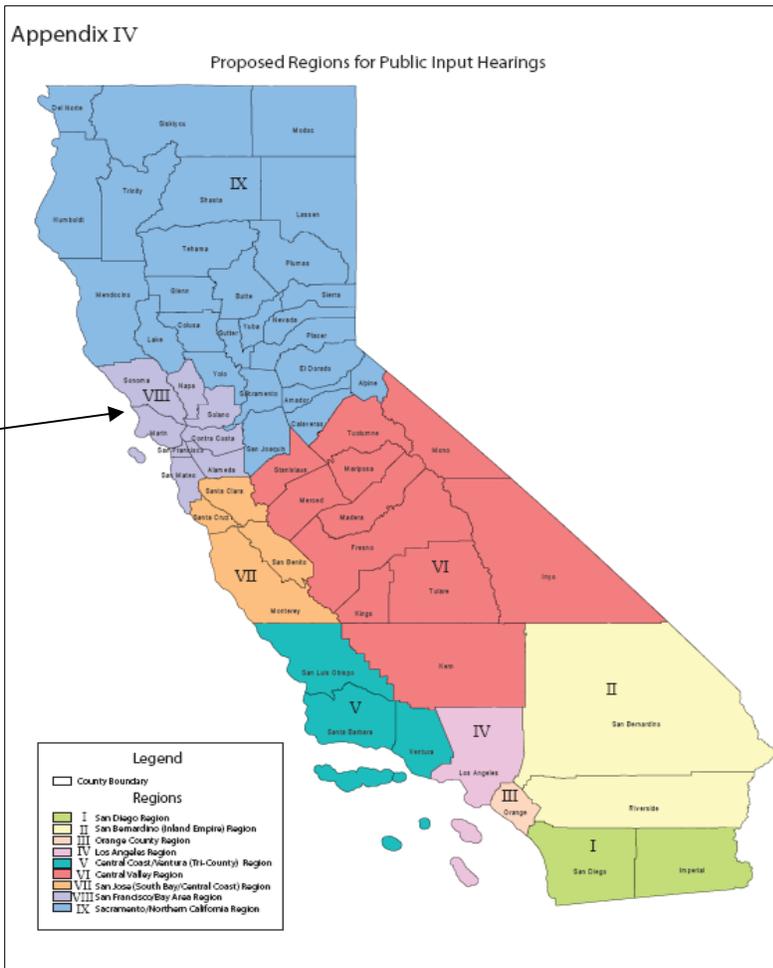
The original intent of the Commission was to get as much of the politics out of the redistricting process as possible. That of course, has not happened. As Matt Rexroad told us at our March meeting, three of the Democrat members of the Commission are very sharp people who are working to make sure that Democrats have an advantage. He noted that we have one very astute Republican and the other members are not as engaged. Some of the unaffiliated have ties to the Green Party or the Democrat Party.

A major controversy that has emerged is the selection of the firm to actually draw the districts. The Commission selected a mapmaker to help craft the 177 legislative, congressional and Board of Equalization districts. Q2 Data and Research, an Oakland-based firm was selected by the Commission for the \$510,000 contract. Q2 is owned by Karin MacDonald, director of the state's redistricting database at the University of California, Berkeley. The firm was selected after

the other finalist, Rose Institute at Claremont McKenna College was disqualified because the firm failed to disclose donors and potential staff conflicts in bid documents.

Former CRP Chairman, Ron Nehring, characterized MacDonald as a protégé of Bruce Cain, chief adviser to Assembly Democrats in a very controversial 1981 redrawing of political districts. Cain is also a partner in the Q2 firm. Mr. Cain states that he is no longer a California resident. The CCRC stipulated that Cain could have no role in drawing district lines.

The Rose Institute was accused of being too cozy with Republican Party interests in the past. The Institute stated that it has been active since 1981 in providing statewide redistricting information in an "expert, nonpartisan manner to all interested organizations- including the media – and individuals. While Q2 could release the names of their contributors since they are a small firm, the Rose Institute is not able to disclose the names of all their clients. They are a part of Claremont McKenna College and there are thousands of contributors who cannot be disclosed for IRS reasons even if the Institute wanted to.



As we get into the whole redistricting process there are indications that of course, chicanery is afoot. That is why, it is essential for Republicans throughout the state to get to the meetings and start paying attention.

The message is: **GET INVOLVED.**



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April 18/19, 2011

AB 26 D.O.A.

On Tuesday of this week, the Assembly Judiciary Committee met to decide the fate of AB 26 (Donnelly, R-59), the Secure Immigration Enforcement Act. Your CFRW Advocate was present at the hearing to stand in support of the measure. As you may recall, AB 26 was modeled after Arizona's controversial immigration law, SB 1070. The Secure Immigration Enforcement Act would have prohibited government agencies from limiting law enforcement from implementing Federal immigration law, thereby making "sanctuary" cities illegal. The hearing began with stirring testimony from Californians who have been directly affected by the harmful effects of illegal immigration, with one especially moving testimony from Mr. Shaw, whose 17 year-old son was killed in cold blood by an illegal immigrant who was released early from the county jail. The room was filled with AB 26 supporters, from legal immigrants to Tea Party Patriots, to our own Republican Women. We outnumbered those in opposition 3 to 1. Despite the compelling testimony, the presence of strong supporters and the pressing need to address illegal immigration in our state, the Democrats on the Assembly Judiciary Committee killed the bill in its first hearing. Assemblyman Mike Feuer, Chair of the Assembly Judiciary Committee, had the audacity to claim that he cannot vote for this legislation because he feels that it is "unconstitutional" and "discriminatory." Assemblywoman Huber even said that she agrees with many of the provisions in the bill, but cannot pass it as is. If this were truly the case, she would have recommended amendments to the bill and kept it alive, but her true opinion was clear as she voted down the legislation without any further discussion on the issue. This is what our Republican Legislators have to deal with daily, as Democrats control committees and have majorities in both houses. But we can continue to support our Republicans as they keep on fighting Democrat arrogance, ignorance and incompetence on the other side.

SB 48 Update

It should come as no surprise that **SB 48 (Leno, D-3)** passed out of the Senate Judiciary Committee on Tuesday on a party-line vote (3Ayes, 2 Noes). This Lesbian, Gay, Bi-Sexual, Transgender (LGBT) backed bill is on the fast track in the Capitol and will be heard for its third reading in the Senate on Monday. Call your representatives and let them know that you and the **CFRW OPPOSE SB 48!**

Annual CFRW ADVOCACY DAYS

Ruth Van Bommel and 1st Vice President Edelweiss Geary will be attending the CFRW Executive Board meeting. Our 36th Annual Advocacy Workshop on Tuesday will have an exciting program this year, with Assembly/State Senators who will speak on their committee responsibilities. NFRW President Sue Lynch and California Republican Party Chairman Tom Del Beccaro will speak in the morning. Our Luncheon speaker is Mike Winther of the Institute for Principle Studies who will speak on the Constitution. The presentation will be geared toward the students... but aren't we all students? Last year's attendee, Sean Keiser, is joining us again as our guest student from Cardinal Newman High School.

**MICHELE STEEL, BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
IS TESTIFYING ON BEHALF OF TAXPAYERS
ON MAY 2ND. SHE NEEDS OUR SUPPORT!**

Today, when you purchase a discounted cell phone in California with a service contract, you are required to pay sales tax on the full price of the cell phone. When you buy a discounted cell phone without a contract, you only pay sales tax on the discounted price of the phone. This is an outrageous abuse of California taxpayers. You can help me change it by sending me an e-mail in support of Assembly Bill 279 (Garrick) which will stop unfair cell phone taxes.

Let's say a cell phone costs \$300 at full price but is discounted to \$120 when you sign a two-year contract with a service provider. This is called a "bundled transaction" because the phone and the service come together. Under current law, you would be required to pay sales tax on the full \$300 price (\$24.75 at the state sales tax rate of 8.25% but higher in many areas). If you bought the phone alone ("unbundled") for \$120, you would only have to pay \$9.90 at the state sales tax rate.

You can help me stop unfair cell phone taxes by writing me an e-mail "in support of AB 279 (Garrick)" BEFORE May 2. I WILL take all the e-mails I receive and deliver them to the committee members. SteelNews@boe.ca.gov

VISIT MICHELE STEEL'S OFFICIAL WEBSITE. MICHELE IS THE ONLY REPUBLICAN AND OUR VOICE IN SACRAMENTO. <http://www.boe.ca.gov/members/msteel/index.html>

Important Federation Dates - 2011

Apr 18/19 - **CFRW** Advocacy Day, Hyatt Hotel, Sacramento
 Apr 30/May 1 **CFRW** Northern Division Spring Conference, Chico
 Sept 29 - October 2 **NFRW** Biennial Convention, Kansas City, Missouri
 Oct 21/23 **CFRW** 37th Biennial Convention, Visalia, CA Marriott Hotel
 Nov 11/13 **CFRWND** Biennial Convention, tba



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Sue Lynch, President

NFRW President Sue Lynch and NCFRW President Dena Barnes were selected to serve as participants on the Christian Leadership Educational Seminar on March 21-27, 2011 in Israel. The trip was sponsored by the American Israel Education Foundation and the Legacy Heritage Fund Limited.

Participants spent the week visiting historical and government sites and being briefed by top Israeli officials on the importance of Israel's relationship with the United States. The trip is connected with the American Israel Public Affairs Committee which is the only American organization whose principal mission is to lobby the US Government about legislation that strengthens the relationship between the United States and Israel.

Puerto Rico Federation of Republican Women Continues to Grow

From Left to Right: Rebecca Bradford, President TXFRW, Gloria Escudero,



President PRFRW, Patt Parker, NFRW 2nd Vice-President, Governor Luis Fortuno(R) of Puerto Rico, Sue Lynch, NFRW President, Zori Fonalledas, National Committeewoman for Puerto Rico, Mary Mayo, NFRW Fundraising Committee, and Jo Konen, NFRW Leadership Development Committee

Several NFRW members recently travelled to Puerto Rico to provide training opportunities for the new Puerto Rico Federation of Republican Women during the Region 5 Regional Meeting in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Puerto Rico is building a strong infrastructure as they prepare for 2012

CFRW Northern Division 2011 Spring Conference

Saturday, April 30 - May 1, 2011

Holiday Inn 685 Manzanita Ct., Chico, CA 95926

Registration ~ \$40.00 per person

Reservation deadline: April 15, 2011

Women in Numbers, BUILDING THE TEAM

FRIDAY, April 29, 2011

9:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. . Boots on the Ground Campaign Workshop
 3:00 - 8:00 p.m. Early Registration
 3:00 - 9:00 p.m. . . .Executive Committee and Regional Directors

SATURDAY, April 30, 2011

7:30 a.m. Registration Opens
 9:00 a.m. . . . **State Senator Doug LaMalfa** . . . Opening Ceremonies
 9:30 a.m. First Business Session
 11:30 a.m. Recess for Luncheon
 12:00 Noon. **Assemblywoman Kristen Olson** . . . Luncheon
 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Afternoon Workshops
 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. Regional Caucuses
 6:30 p.m. **Assemblywoman Dr. Linda Halderman** . . . Banquet
 8:45 - 10:00 p.m. Social in President's Suite
SUNDAY, May 1, 2011 7:30 a.m. Christian Prayer Service
 8:30 a.m. Breakfast (with speaker) and Final Business Session
 11:45 a.m. Adjournment

Welcome Scheduled workshop topics are Honoring the American Flag, California Boards and Commissions, Tax Reporting for Tax Exempt Organizations, Committee and Regional Directors' Reports Conference Fee: \$40 Campaign School Fee: \$50 Plus Meals in addition: Lunch \$30, Banquet \$45, Breakfast Sunday \$20. Make check payable to "CFRW Northern Division" Mail to: Events MRWF, 61 Maple Hill Drive, San Rafael, CA 94903

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The Cincinnatus Trap by John Hayward

Conservatives and libertarians have a certain romantic fascination with Cincinnatus, by reputation if not by name. Cincinnatus was a Roman farmer who reluctantly left his fields to take charge of the Republic during a moment of crisis, served wisely and selflessly for precisely as long as he was needed, and trudged quietly back to his farm when Rome was safe once again. There's a statue in his namesake city of Cincinnati that shows him surrendering the symbols of power with one hand, while he limbers up his trusty plow with the other.

That's the mythological ideal of a limited-government president, isn't it? He, or she, would be a successful businessperson of great intelligence and humility, modestly accepting the nomination of the **Republican Party** without any unseemly hardball campaigning. Our citizen-candidate would catch an early morning flight out of Galt's Gulch and arrive in **Washington** just in time for the inauguration, and serve a term of courageous and principled reform. With those years of noble service complete, our hero would ride off into the sunset, leaving behind nothing but a note requesting that all funds collected for a presidential library should be donated to cancer research instead.

This ideal is a dead end, an intellectual bear trap that ultimately serves the purposes of the Left. Embracing it will deny us the tough and energetic leadership we need for real reform to succeed in Washington. I found myself thinking of the **Cincinnatus Trap** as I read an [opinion piece](#) from former **Republican senator John Sununu** in the *Boston Globe* on Monday. Sununu criticizes prospective GOP presidential candidates Donald Trump and **Sarah Palin** for being "captivated by the *idea* of being President," which makes them "exactly the type of political figure our country's founders were worried about."

Sununu goes on to recount the Founders' abiding suspicion of populism, reminding us how they were "troubled – some might say preoccupied – with the potential dangers of ambition, factions, and concentrated power." Although he assures us he doesn't "view Palin or Trump as a threat to the republic," he feels "ill at ease with officeholders or candidates who are too enamored with the idea of *holding* a particular office."

Here's the problem: no one will win a modern Presidential race unless they want the **Oval Office** like Gollum wants the One Ring. The 2012 race will be an incredible test of endurance and character. No matter

how affable and inoffensive they might seem today, any candidate who runs against **Barack Obama** will be mercilessly savaged. The media will sit up nights preparing ambush interviews, and magnify the smallest gaffe into evidence of greed, stupidity, or psychosis. Every moment of the candidate's history will be scrutinized, every element of their personal lives will be weaponized, and every member of their families will be a target.

In 2008, swarms of reporters went crawling through dumpsters in Alaska, while aliens who chose to make first contact by landing a saucer in **Chicago** would have found not a single reporter to cover the event. It's going to be like that again in 2012, but even more so. The candidate will spend the first round of media appearances appealing a summary conviction of racism, hypocrisy, and slavish obedience to the Evil Rich.

No humble Cincinnatus is going to be able to weather that kind of storm, or generate the non-stop energy and flawless attention to detail required of today's high-profile candidates. Even if public disgust with **Obama** is so powerful that a modest candidate could waltz into the Oval Office, they wouldn't be able to fight the tough battles that lie ahead. The man or woman who answers America's call in this desperate hour will be at war with the system itself. A terrible network of gears, covered with decades of rusted ideology, waits to devour them.

Turning up our noses at Republicans who display a hearty appetite for the **White House** grants a tremendous advantage to the Democrats, who can disguise the ambition of their candidates behind a veil of sanctimony. People like Barack Obama are never portrayed as being hungry for power. Instead, they *care so damn much* for "working Americans" and the down-trodden that their full-contact, no-holds-barred battle for power is transformed into a holy crusade. They enjoy a presumption of selfless nobility that will *never* be extended to *any* Republican... even one who shows up in Washington lugging a bag lunch and a dirty plow.

Many words will be used to describe the man or woman who unseats Barack Obama in 2012. "Reluctant" will not be one of them.

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NFRW Executive Board Meeting, March 2011

Edelweiss Geary, NFRW Legislative Committee

LEGISLATIVE Day 2011 in Washington D.C., sponsored by the National Federation of Republican Women, was a truly exciting day. Over 200 Republican Women (in red jackets) gathered in the Canon Office Building to be greeted by nearly 60 Representatives and Senators many of them first timers. Some of those who spoke were Senators Ron Johnson, WI., Kelly Ayotte, NH., and David Vitter, LA., Some of the Representatives who spoke were Allen West, FL., Jean Schmidt, OH., Tim Scott, SC., Louie Gohmert, TX., and Dana Rohrabacher, CA.

All of the speakers acknowledged that they would not have been elected without the work of Republican Women. Some discussed their goals and some discussed their experiences on the hill. At 1:15 Speaker John Boehner addressed us for 15 minutes and answered questions. He discussed Republican priorities including controlled spending, overhauling the budget and entitlements and defunding of Obamacare. The Speaker called Congress a "broken" institution.

We took the tunnels from the Canon Office Building to the Longworth Office Building to the Rayburn Office Building. I went to Representative Dan Lungren's office and met staff members. The Congressman was in a Homeland Security Committee hearing and also at some point had to be on the House floor for a vote.

Members of Congress wear a specific pin that identifies them to security. The office buildings are filled with people and there is great hustle and bustle.

On Wednesday evening, Representative Louie Gohmert took a group of Federated Women on a tour of the capitol. That was a special event. We started at the west end of the capitol and went first to the House of Representatives. We were able to sit in the member's seats while Representative Gohmert explained in great detail the history of the room and talked about the pictures and all of the symbols in the room. The Australian Prime Minister had addressed a joint session of Congress earlier in the day and Rep. Gohmert explained that protocol. The room is not as big as it looks on television.

We then went to Statuary Hall and Representative Gohmert explained about all the statues and the paintings. The statues are truly life size plus. Each state can select two people to represent their state. Father Junipero Serra is one of the statues from California.

From Statuary Hall we went to the rotunda where the statue of Ronald Reagan is on one side of a door and the statue of Dwight Eisenhower is on the other side. The statue of Reagan is terrific. The paintings of Constantino Brumidi are wonderful.

We then went to the Old Senate Chamber which is not used anymore by the Senate. On to the current Senate Chamber which again is no where as big as it looks on television. The Senate (being more dignified) does not allow visitors to sit on their chairs. I did break protocol however, and wrote down a phone number with a pencil from Senator Mitch McConnell's desk. Daniel Webster's desk is in the Senate Chamber and is reserved for the senior Senator from New Hampshire.

The tour reminded me of the history and strength of our country. It was also a reminder that it takes steady, consistent work to maintain this great country and the freedom it provides. We must never forget that if we want to preserve our country and our future.

I received an even greater reminder of our country's history and strength on Thursday morning. Jessie Morton, 4th Vice President of the NFRW board had the opportunity to place a wreath at Arlington National Cemetery. About 16 Federated women went with her to Arlington to observe the event. It was so moving. Jessie and Sue Lynch, President of NFRW placed the wreath which had National Federation of Republican Women printed on the ribbon. We then had the opportunity to visit with the Sergeants who leads the group of soldiers who are assigned to guard duty at Arlington. There are great pictures on the walls depicting the history of the memorial.



This event was again a reminder of our history and the constant vigilance required to keep our country safe, strong and on the right path.

The Way Forward for CA Republicans

By Tom Del Bacerro

2011-2012 Elected CRP Chairman

All together, we should wonder little why there are over 2 million more Democrats than Republicans in California.

So where does this leave us and what are we to do?

Three Decades ago we got some advice from someone who cared about us very much. Faced with a country rife with political malaise, Ronald Reagan told us this:

It is time for us to realize that we are too great a nation to limit ourselves to small dreams. We're not, as some would have us believe, doomed to an inevitable decline. I do not believe in a fate that will fall on us no matter what we do. I do believe in a fate that will fall on us if we do nothing.

It is time for us to realize that we are too great a Party to limit ourselves to small dreams. The CA Republican Party, as some would have us believe, is not doomed to an inevitable decline. And I certainly do not believe in a fate that will fall on us no matter what we do. I do believe in a fate that will fall on us if we do nothing.

Let us continue to take Reagan's advice, and with all the creative energy at our command, let us begin an era of California Republican Party renewal. Let us renew our determination, our courage and our strength. And let us renew our faith and our hope. We have every right to dream heroic dreams.

So what does this renewal look like?

- First, we need to consistently, not just here

in Sacramento, but around this state communicate with people where they live and in terms they understand.

- Second, we need a focused message that is concentrated on the issues facing Californians that will help them in their everyday lives.
- Third, we need to start communicating at the start of a cycle and not just at the end of a cycle and, once again, we need to follow Reagan's advice and not limit our appeal to those already converted.

We must carry our message to every Californian, regardless of party affiliation, who is a member of this community of shared values.

To do that, today I am announcing the California Republican Party Speak Tour.

We will be traveling the state, holding Town Halls, highlighting our views where people live and in terms they understand, in places like Fresno, Los Angeles, Monterey and more. As part of that we will be utilizing local talk show hosts, internet messaging and grass roots organizing. We will invite Republicans, Independents and like-minded Democrats to participate. As part of this process I am pleased to announce three new websites which will help us in this endeavor.

1 – CA GOP CARES which will highlight our charitable efforts. As the party of volunteerism, we must bring that message to all of California.

2- WHERE ARE THE JOBS JERRY Every two weeks, around this state we will be highlighting to California the contrasts between Jerry Brown's job promises and our unemployment rate.

3- COST OF GOVERNMENT . With this site, we will be highlighting how much government waste costs Californians in terms meaningful to their lives such as how many teachers we could have had but for each wasteful program.

The goal of these programs is to change the political environment in California.

Across America Democrat & Republican governors in places like New York and New Jersey, no less blue than California, have responded to the call to reform Government in reasonable ways and with an eye to the future.

We must make the same appeals as Democrat Andrew Cuomo and Republican Chris Christie. As Cuomo said in New York, we can cap pension and not hurt the classroom. As Christie said in New Jersey, I am not attacking unions, I am simply letting the voters know what they are paying for.

The key to our turnaround in California is simple; if we are behind in votes inside the Capitol, we must empower the voters outside the Capitol.

As I come to a close of this speech, but the beginning of our time together, I hearken one more time to Reagan who said of America in the early 80's,

“The crisis we face is not the result of any failure of the American spirit; it is our failure to establish rational goals and give our people something to order their lives by.”

Today I have offered you a vision.

Today I offer you these goals.

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As a courtesy to our fellow volunteer Republican Groups we are posting this event. SRRWF President Marie Derr and several other members of the Santa Rosa RWF are members of the elected body of the Sonoma County GOP. If we wish to see change in Sonoma County we need to support all of the Republican events offered to us. This event is being hosted by a member of our club and we thank her for her hospitality.



invites you to an evening reception with

Tom Del Beccaro

Chairman of the California Republican Party

Thursday, April 28, 2011

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

at the home of Sam and Lisa Cimino

5825 Heights Road

Santa Rosa, California 95404

Host Committee

*Tim and Becky Allen
Ron and Beth Benjamin
Karen Brooks
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Lynn Fleck
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Lawrence and Raylene Wiesner
Partial list*

\$35 per person

Silent auction

**Live Entertainment by “La Mia Piccola Rondine”
A collection of traditional, modern and operatic songs of Italy**

To RSVP or for further information
contact Marie Derr 707.495.0983 / mariederr@sonomagop.org

PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE AT WWW.SONOMAGOP.ORG

or enclose reply form with check payable to:

“Sonoma County Republican Central Committee” & mail to Post Office Box 3555, Santa Rosa, California 95402

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Committee News

The Americanism Committee came hand, heart and lunch to Maridale's home last week. Dryden Bordin and her gals joined Maridale and Marilyn Koenig with all sorts of goodies to pack for our troops! Dryden passed the basket at our meeting in February and they were able to mail all the boxes they prepared. Please contact Americanism Chair Maridale Smith 707.765.2664 maridalesmith@sbcglobal.net if you want to join this fun group.

Caring for America is another committee that the NFRW encourages each club to be active in and Joan Dayton again this year stepped up to the plate and reported on this very positive program, WRS (Women Recovery Service) and their needs. Joan Dayton will have the **BIG BASKET** to fill for our "community project" at our next meeting. No sweets please. Children's items from new born up and only personal items like toiletries, socks for the moms, diapers etc for the babies. This is a 501.3C fully taxable deduction.

Community Political Involvement: City Council meetings around the Sonoma County and the Supervisor meetings are being attended by SRRWF members. Many of these women were engaged in the Jim Judd campaign and the North Bay Patriots. SRRWF sincerely appreciates their time attending these meetings. These are the Team Leaders who will be calling other members of their community to ask them to attend city council meetings.

Cotati - Joyce Garcia; **Santa Rosa** - Liz Gatley; **Sebastopol** - Lynn Fleck; **Petaluma** - Sandy Robison
Joyce has put together some helpful hints for newcomers when they attend City Council meetings. The 6 page pdf file is named: **Local Government Tools and Information**. **Contact Joyce Garcia at 707 849-2423 or e-mail her joycegarcia@live.com for more information.**

Redistricting Team: New member Liz Gatley is busy attending the redistricting meetings being held in Sacramento and will report to us on her findings. After our meeting in March, Liz talked to Matt Rexroad about the mapping process, suggested "talking points" and any facts she might need to arm herself with positive constructive information. It is important when she attends the redistricting meetings that she will have the best facts.. Liz and a group of RWF members will study the redistricting information before the meeting in Santa Rosa May 20th. Republicans have to be involved in order to affect how the redistricting is completed. E-mail Liz at liz@gatelygunsmithing.com to join her team

Social Media and Web Communications Manager: New Member Liz Gatley has agreed to be our Chair for this very important task. If you have information that might be valuable for club members contact Liz is at

Membership Committee Report: Rosalie Parks 707.849.1454 guiltymoms@yahoo.com. A BIG thanks to Maria Burt and Ina McElroy who are on the "membership team"! They handed out the newly created "New Members folders" to all the new members in attendance at our March Meeting. There is a new members meeting in the planning.

Satellite Group: Sally Hopkins 707.542.0495 mimi37@comcast.net. Our inaugural meeting is scheduled for **Friday, April 15 from 7:00-9:00 PM**. If you are unable to attend our monthly lunch meetings this will be an opportunity to join like minded women and men. There will be no business meeting associated with the satellite meetings. An evite has been e-mailed to members. We will gather at a member's home in Windsor. All members, guests and friends are welcome so please mark your calendars. **Our speaker will be Susie Iventosch who has written Tax Bites and Tasty Morsels.**

VACANT COMMITTEE POSITIONS - Still available!!!! Volunteer Today!

Education and Literacy - The NFRW Literacy Committee strives to sponsor and support a variety of programs and we hope there is at least one to fit each NFRW club, regardless of club size or location. We sincerely believe in our motto – *Readers Become Leaders*. Ideas are on the NFRW website at <http://www.nfrw.org/programs/literacy/index.html>

Events - This committee has the responsibility of raising the additional money in excess of dues to fund the club's educational activities. Our first obligation is to support our own club's education programs by providing the necessary financial help to ensure that the club is represented at Northern Division Conferences, CFRW Advocacy Workshop with sponsorship for students to attend and by its rightful number of delegates at the Federation Biennial Conventions. Our events are intended to increase our membership and to encourage the broadest possible participation by our members in active political work.

Membership 2011

Rosalie Parks—Membership Chair

Committee members: Maria Burt and Ina McElroy



NFRW Diamond Award Winning Club

2010 CFRW Northern Division Circle of Excellence Award Winner

WELCOME NEW MEMBER: Barbara Russell

Our 2011 Roster will be handed out to all members who paid 2011 dues and new members at our April 26th meeting. The roster will go to print about April 20th. If you have any corrections or additions for the roster please notify Ruth Van Bommel at 707-888-1765 or ruth-vanb@yahoo.com.

REDISTRICTING COMING TO SANTA ROSA MAY 20!

SRRWF MEMBERS - GET INVOLVED

WE THE PEOPLE of California have an opportunity to draw the new district lines for the state this year. The commission will be coming to Santa Rosa on May 20th from 6-9pm location TBA, and we the people can submit maps. The commission has several websites to help us in this process i.e.: www.redrawca.org and www.wedrawthelines.ca.gov. There is much more information on this process as well as the programs to help draw a district map. In Sonoma County we are only about 25% Republican so we may not be able to flip it red over night but this is a good first step. Submitted by Liz Gatley.

ABOUT OUR CLUB

Our goals are to educate and increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government; to promote political education and activity; to work with the Republican Party to promote its principles and ideals and to work for the election of Republicans at the local, state and national levels. Bring a friend and join us.

As members of SRRWF, **Voter Registration** is one way to educate the public and advertise our club. SRRWF members registered voters at the Cloverdale Citrus Fair in February and will be participating in voter registration drives throughout the county.



Santa Rosa Republican Women, Federated

Membership Form 2011

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ St _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____

E-mail _____@_____

Spouse's name _____

Newsletter by mail _____ or E-mail _____

Please indicate the appropriate membership:

_____ **\$35 Active Member**

_____ **\$50 Sustaining Member** (Non-participating 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.

_____ **\$10 Student Membership**

Make checks payable to SRRWF & mail to:

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srrwf@yahoo.com

Membership form also on the website www.santarosarwf.org and may be charged to your credit card for a \$5.00 fee.

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SRRWF sends congratulations to Janet Kirtlink of Napa Valley RWF who was elected Northwest Regional Chair for the CA GOP 2011-2012.

She will work within the region and build a stronger organization. Janet is committed to networking and bringing all of the groups together to achieve real change in the Northwest.



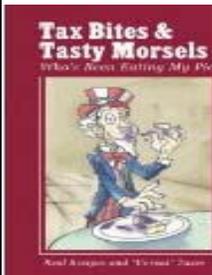
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TAX DAY!!!!

Santa Rosa Tax Day Rally Friday, April 15th, 12 - 3 pm

Old Courthouse Square, Santa Rosa
Featured Speaker: Stephen Frank, CA Political News and Views
Bring your flags, signs and enthusiasm!
Speakers.....Music.....Information Tables

Evening Meeting in Windsor



Come together with other Republican Women to enjoy a "tasty morsel, chat and vent the latest political issues!

Friday Evening, April 15
7-9 pm

Tax Bites and Tasty Morsels

By Susie Iventosch. Refreshments will be provided by the SRRWF Executive Board & Membership Committee.
 This event is at no cost. **RSVP is very important.**

Sally Hopkins: 707-542-0495
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Calendar 2011

Mark your calendar for the year. 4th Tuesday of each month

- April 15 Evening Satellite Meeting
- April 18 CFRW Executive Board Meeting
- April 19 CFRW Advocacy Workshop
- April 26 SRRWF General Meeting- Peter Friedman
- April 28 Sonoma County GOP Fundraiser (page 9)
- April 28 CFRWND Spring Conference, Chico
- May 24 SRRWF General Meeting– speaker TBA
- June tba Patriots BBQ... Celebrate USA

Sonoma County Republican Party meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month.. Information-707 542-7066
www.sonomagop.org

North Sonoma County Republican Club. 7:30 am on the 3rd Wednesday of the month Adel's, 198 Dry Creek Rd, Healdsburg, CA 95448 call 707.849-1454

Republican Women Federated Clubs -

- Marin RWF** - Meets fourth Wednesday
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
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