



November 2 is Finally Here! VOTE! VOTE! VOTE!

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OBAMA vs. AMERICA

The Philosophy and Policies of the Post-American Presidency



Intrigued? We do expect so as we've saved the best for last. So, read on as we unveil our wrap for the 2010 speakers' series.

You, yes **YOU**, are invited to join us on Thursday, November 11th, as we explore the implications and portent surrounding the Obama administration with Larry Greenfield, founding Executive Director of the Reagan Legacy Foundation and bearer of the torch. Former California Director of the Republican Jewish Coalition, Mr. Greenfield is currently a Fellow in American Studies at the Claremont Institute and a member of the Executive Committee of the California Republican Party. For sure he knows his way around this state and the rest of the country!!!

Mr. Greenfield's impressive background spans business, law, politics and public policy in addition to service in Naval Intelligence Reserves. A popular media host, including appearances on local radio station KSFO, he is eminently conversant on myriad topics, including foreign and domestic policy, missile defense and the Arab-Israeli conflict.

This is a special evening at a special price. Mr. Greenfield's appearances in NorCal have commanded upwards of \$1,000. So, please let's show our appreciation for the consideration he is extending and make this evening a wild success.

NOVEMBER 11th MEETING INFORMATION

Our meeting on **Thursday, November 11th**, will be held at the **Cattlemens Restaurant**, 2882 Kitty Hawk Road, in Livermore. Take Hwy. 580 East to the Airway Blvd. exit and cross the street into the parking lot of Cattlemens. Social hour starts at 6:30 p.m. and dinner is served at 7:00 p.m.

Reservations with menu selections must be made by Sunday, November 7th. Menu choices are: (1) **Broiled Top Sirloin Steak** (prepared medium/medium rare; rare or well-done by special request), or (2) **Grilled Atlantic Salmon**, or (3) **Steakhouse Caesar Salad** (topped with tri-tip, salmon or chicken), or (4) **Spinach & Ricotta Cheese Ravioli in Marinara Sauce**.

To RSVP, contact Phyllis Couper at coupclan1962@pacbell.net. Please be sure to give the names of everyone in your party, their menu selections, and your phone number. \$26 for TVRWF members and \$30 for non-members. Payment to be made at the door.

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TVRWF President
Karan Healy, 925- 989-4167

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Karen Wind

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President's Message

Greetings to My Fellow American Patriots!

Hope you enjoyed the October meeting and found **Allison Olson's** explanation of the Ballot Propositions helpful as you cast your votes on November 2nd. The outcome of some of these propositions can and will have a huge effect on the direction that California takes and our wallets...

We are looking forward to having **Larry Greenfield** with us at our November meeting! Mr. Greenfield is the Executive Director of the Reagan Legacy Foundation. Please let your friends, neighbors, and friends know about this meeting.

I want to personally thank all the TVRWF members who have spent time at the various campaign offices – making calls, walking precincts – getting out the vote! I know many of you have spent your every spare moment helping to get these candidates elected! The candidates know they can depend on Republican Women to be on the front lines for them... **THANK YOU!**

I also want to thank all those who worked the TVRWF tables at the Oct 16th **Golden State Rally for America** at the Alameda County Fairgrounds and made them such a success! We have been involved with the TEA Parties here in Pleasanton since the beginning – some working at the TVRWF tables, and some working for the TEA Party directly. **THANK YOU!**

Wanted to make everyone aware of upcoming events:

On **Sunday, November 7**, the **14th ANNUAL TRI VALLEY VETERANS DAY PARADE** – 1:00 p.m. Parade begins on Old Bernal Avenue (Behind the VFW Hall). This year, the TVRWF members will be walking in the parade – to show our patriotism and support for our men and women in uniform. Please, if you'd like to walk in the parade with us, please call or email me directly. ***I want the crowd to see that Republican Women (And Men) support our military BIG TIME...***

We need volunteers for our Saturday morning **Voter Registration** at Pleasanton's Farmers Market. Please call Jan Pegler at [redacted] or myself at (925) 989-4167. Even though the elections will be over, we use this opportunity not only to register people to vote, but to recruit new members for the TVRWF. Please, we need your help!

IMPORTANT: Do you like receiving the very informative monthly **TVRWF Newsletter**? If so, we need someone to take over the responsibility for this effective with the January 2011 issue. Karen Wind has done a simply marvelous job with this for a long time and we thank her very much! In addition, Karen has also been doing the publicity for our Club, and we need someone to take that over, as well. Please call me ASAP to volunteer, otherwise the December 2010 Newsletter will be the last one, I fear!

Looking forward to seeing all of you at Cattlemens in Livermore at our **November 11th Veteran's Day Meeting**. And don't forget, bring a Veteran, so we can thank them for their service!

REMEMBER, VOTE FREEDOM FIRST....

God Bless You, God Bless Our Troops, and God Bless America!

Karan Healy
TVRWF 2010 President

Membership Report

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

By the time I wrote this Membership report, and perhaps by the time you read it, one very big event will have happened: Our votes were cast in the November 2010 election! And I know that we, TVRWF members, have participated in almost every realm of this voting process. From getting people registered to vote, volunteering in GOP booths, working on campaigns and propositions; talking to family/friends/co-workers/neighbors – each of us has all done our part!

This is why we have become members of TVRWF. This is how one person can make a difference... But then again, as a group, working together as a well-oiled team, the difference is magnificently magnified!

Whatever the outcome of the election, I am proud to be a part of your team! In the months to come, let's stay focused and continue to learn all that we can to make things better. TVRWF is doing our best to line up speakers that will keep us informed and in the thick of things going on with our government.



Join me as TVRWF welcomes our newest Members and Associates!

[redacted]

And the two Members whose forms I just received in the mail today!

[redacted]

Thank you to the Members and Associates that have taken it upon themselves in making TVRWF grow. Recruitment is a part of being on this team. Recruitment ensures the valuable knowledge brought to the meetings via our guest speakers is

shared in the community.

See you all on the flip-side of November 2, 2010!

Tawnya Trunnell
2nd Vice-President, Membership

Social Committee Report

Greetings fellow club members!

November 11th will be our last dinner at Cattlemens Steakhouse until January 2011. November 11th, Veterans Day, is the perfect time to honor the many dedicated men and women who have served in the military and protected this wonderful country which provides so much for all of us. And because of our veterans, it is our special day, too!

Dinner prices are \$26.00 for members and \$30.00 for guests. Since the restaurant charges by chairs occupied, regardless of whether the person is eating or not, we must financially account for all present at the dinner. As always, make your reservations with me at coupclan1962@pacbell.net. RSVP deadline is Sunday, November 7th.

Doors open at 6:30pm and the meeting starts at 7pm. Thanks, and I hope to see you then!

Phyllis Couper
Social Chair

Dates to Remember

- November 2, Tuesday.....**ELECTION DAY!** *We Will Win We Will Win We Will Win We Will Win We Will Win We Will Win We Will Win We Will Win We Will Win... YES WE WILL!!!*
- November 7, Sunday.....14th Annual Tri-Valley Veteran's Day Parade, Downtown Pleasanton
TVRWF members meet at 12:30pm at VFW Hall on Main Street
- November 11, Thursday.....Veterans Day and TVRWF membership meeting
6:30pm, Cattlemens Restaurant, 2882 Kitty Hawk Rd., Livermore
RSVP by Sunday, November 7, to Phyllis Couper**
- November 12 –14, Fri-Sun.....CFRW Northern Division Fall Conference
Hilton Hotel, Santa Rosa
- November 15, Tuesday.....Alameda County Republican Party
Central Committee meeting, 6:30pm
1039 MacArthur Blvd, San Leandro
- November 24, Wednesday..... Deadline for December newsletter
Email to Karen Wind at [redacted]
- November 25, Thursday.....Thanksgiving
- December 4, Saturday.....TVRWF Christmas Party
Details to follow
- January 3, Monday.....112th Congress convenes with a new Speaker of the House and a new Senate
Majority Leader! It will be a *VERY* good Morning in America!



Community News from TVRWF Members

From TVRWF President Karan Healy: Christians United for Israel will host A Gathering of Solidarity with the State of Israel, Thursday, November 4, from 7:00pm to 9:00pm at Park Blvd. Presbyterian Church, 4101 Park Blvd., Oakland. Go to <http://www.cufi.org/site/Calendar?view=Detail&id=108921> for more information and to RSVP.

From TVRWF Associate Member Jeff Wald: The annual AIPAC Northern California Membership Dinner will be Monday, December 13, at 7:00pm at the Marriott Hotel in downtown Oakland. This is a fundraising event for AIPAC, the nation's largest lobbying group that advocates support of Israeli causes. Jeff is trying to arrange a table of ten. If you and your friends are interested in attending, contact Jeff at [redacted]. For more information about the dinner and AIPAC, go to www.aipac.org/NorCalEvents/eastbay.asp.

Editor's note: TVRWF members participate in many different veteran, military support, TEA Party, and other community groups in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. If there is something special happening that you want to share with your fellow TVRWF members, please feel free to submit it for our monthly newsletter. We are happy to include news about your group that might be of general interest to the membership, space permitting, of course. Please see the calendar box for the newsletter deadline.

Many Thanks to Our 2010 TVRWF Officers . . .

Executive Board:

President - Karan Healy (925) 989-4167, kajore@aol.com
1st Vice-President, Programs - Janet-marie Persico jmpersico@comcast.net
2nd Vice-President, Membership - Tawnya Trunnell (925) 454-2927, tawnyatrunnell@comcast.net
Secretary – [redacted]
Treasurer – [redacted]

Appointed Board Members:

Americanism - Janet-marie Persico jmpersico@comcast.net
Chaplain – [redacted]
Historian - Connie Cox (925) 766-3198, connie@conniecoxhomes.com
Parliamentarian - Sara Volking oakhillstravell@hotmail.com
Legislation and Research - R. Jo Molz rjm911@sbcglobal.net & Sara Volking
Newsletter - Karen Wind
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Ways and Means - Jenny Buck jjbuckid@comcast.net

And Congratulations to Our Newly Elected Officers for 2011!

The 2011 officers will be installed at our November 11 meeting and will begin their duties on January 1.

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Newsletter - vacant
Social - Phyllis Couper coupclan1962@pacbell.net

Republican Women Federated Websites

You will need to request your own unique password to access some member information on the NFRW, CFRW and Northern Division sites. Go to the member center pages on those sites and follow the password instructions.

National Federation of Republican Women: www.nfrw.org
California Federation of Republican Women: www.cfrw.org
CFRW Northern Division: www.cfrwnd.org
Tri-Valley Republican Women Federated: www.trivalleyrepublicanwomen.org



Legislative Report

By Jo Molz, Legislative Committee Co-Chair

By the time some of you get this, you will have already voted. If not—get going!!!

While we are getting ready to or already have cast our ballots, we must keep in mind that those for whom we vote must follow the reasoning of their election and stay the conservative values. For the good of the country, we will hold ALL elected Republican/Conservative politicians responsible for that vote. If they don't vote appropriately, we will VOTE THEM OUT!!!

Hopefully, we will see ALL of our Tea Party people in office.

STAY TUNED!!

HR-4646 ALERT!

HR-4646, called the “Debt Free America Act,” is now in committee. It is rumored that the plan of the Obama Administration is to sneak it in after the November elections to keep it under the radar.

The bill states as its purposes the raising of sufficient revenue from a fee on transactions to eliminate the national debt within seven years and the phasing out of the individual income tax. It would amend the Internal Revenue Code to impose a 1% fee, offset by a corresponding nonrefundable income tax credit for certain groups, on all transactions that use a payment instrument, including any check, cash, credit card, transfer of stock, bonds, or other financial instrument. “Transactions” include retail and wholesale sales, purchases of intermediate goods, and financial and intangible transactions.

So, all purchases of goods and services would have a 1% tax. The government will decide which groups (poor, welfare) get a tax credit later. At best, you are giving the government free money to use all year and praying that you'll get a little of it back when you file your income tax. Plus the 1% tax would apply to all transactions at any financial institution, i.e. banks, credit unions, etc. Any deposit you make or move around within your account will have a 1% tax charged. If your pay check or your Social Security or whatever payment is by direct deposit, 1% tax charged. If you hand carry a check in to deposit, 1% tax charged. If you take cash in to deposit, 1% tax charged.

Let it sink in now..... We will pay ONE PERCENT of every amount involved in EVERY TRANSACTION involving a credit card, check, cash deposits. Virtually all "above the table" transactions in your life will be taxed ONE PERCENT. Just think about this. Suppose you sell your house. You get a big fat check for the equity in the home. After the mortgage is paid off at the closing, your net, let's say, is \$300,000. You go to deposit your check in your bank account. You pay the government 1 percent of that = \$3,000 on deposit. Then you write a few checks to spend some of that money, maybe pay off credit card balances. You mean to tell me that every check you write will now TAX THAT VERY SAME ALREADY TAXED MONEY YET AGAIN ONE PERCENT???

And the credit card purchases you made that you are now paying off - they got taxed one percent at the point of purchase. YIKES!

This is from the man who promised that if you make under \$250,000 per year, you will not see one penny of new tax. Keep your eyes and ears open, you will be amazed at what you learn!

CFRW Recommendations for November 2 Ballot Propositions



Proposition 19: NO
Proposition 20: YES
Proposition 21: NO
Proposition 22: NO
Proposition 23: YES
Proposition 24: NO
Proposition 25: NO
Proposition 26: YES
Proposition 27: NO

Election Day Q&As

It's almost Election Day. Can I still volunteer to help Republican candidates?

Yes! Campaigns still need volunteers through Election Day for their get-out-the-vote (GOTV) efforts and for poll watching. TVRWF members have been most active with **David Harmer's CD-11 campaign (925-415-1178)** and **Abram Wilson's AD-15 campaign (925-226-7008)**. Call them and ask if they can use your help.

Is there a deadline for when the Registrar of Voters must receive my Vote my Mail ballot?

Yes, your Vote by Mail ballot must be received by your county Registrar of Voters on or before 8:00 pm on election night. A Vote by Mail ballot received after 8:00 pm on election night will not be counted. The postmark does not matter.

Oops! I forgot to mail my vote by mail ballot! What should I do?

Before Election Day, you may come in person to your county Registrar's office and drop off your Vote by Mail ballot. Call first to find out the hours the office is open. On Election Day, you may hand deliver a Vote by Mail ballot to the Registrar's office or to any polling place in your county between the hours of 7:00 am to 8:00 pm.

I never received or I have lost my Vote by Mail ballot! What can I do now?

You can go to your regular polling place or to the County Registrar of Voters office on Election Day and vote by provisional ballot. The provisional ballot will be counted after it is determined you haven't also voted by mail.

Can I change my mind about voting by mail and vote at my polling place on Election Day instead?

Yes, but you must surrender your Vote by Mail ballot with the envelope and give it to the polling place worker before voting a regular ballot.

I mailed my Vote by Mail ballot. How can I check to see if it was received?

You can check the status of your vote by mail ballot by going to the county Registrar of Voters website, or you can call the Registrar's office.

Alameda County: http://www.acgov.org/rov/voter_av_lookup.htm, phone 510-267-8683

Contra Costa County: <http://www.cocovote.us/voterlookup.aspx>, phone (925) 335-7871

Secretary of State (for other counties): <http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/ballot-status/>

How can I find out where my polling place is?

The website <http://www.smartvoter.org/> will look up your polling place automatically based on your address. You can also get your polling place information automatically from most county Registrar of Voters websites. Or you can call the Registrar's office and they will look up your polling place for you.

Alameda County: http://www.acgov.org/rov/voter_poll_lookup.htm, phone 510-267-8683

Contra Costa County: <http://www.cocovote.us/voterlookup.aspx>, phone 925-335-7871

Reminder -- Record Your 2010 Volunteer Hours!

Please be sure to log all the volunteer hours you spend working for the Republican Party or on Federation service projects. Your hours contribute to our NFRW award status. Hours should be turned in on the form below at each membership meeting.

Your volunteer activities include: All non-paid political activities benefiting the Republican Party, Republican candidates or the Federation; work for a special Republican Party or Federation event, but not if you are paid; work at home (mailings, phoning); attendance at Federation board meetings and conventions, as well as time spent in preparation for Federation meetings, including travel time; in session at or travel to precinct, county or state Party meetings and conventions; time spent as a county committee member or alternate; political work at club meetings; travel from event to event; volunteering at county Party headquarters, fair booths, voter registration, voter outreach; running for political office; time spent with Federation community service projects, such as Caring for America, book drives, and scholarship projects.



Name _____
Activity _____
Month _____ Hours _____

Local Government Meetings

Ever wonder how you can become more informed about what's really going on in local government? We can't rely on the news media to give honest, straightforward information about the grassroots issues that affect our daily lives. Personal participation is the best way to gain knowledge, and that means actually attending local government meetings when you can. Here are the regular meeting dates in September for the City Councils in the Tri-Valley. If you'd like to see other local agencies on the list, please feel free to submit the meeting dates for future newsletters. Thanks!

- Pleasanton City Council: Normally scheduled at 7:00 pm on First & Third Tuesdays of the Month
Only November 16, 2010 (November 2, 2010, meeting canceled)
Council Chambers – 200 Old Bernal Ave.
- Livermore City Council: Scheduled at 7:00 pm on Second & Fourth Mondays of the Month
November 8 and 22, 2010
Council Chambers -- 3575 Pacific Ave.
- Dublin City Council: Normally scheduled at 7:00 pm on First & Third Tuesdays of the Month
5:30 pm on November 2, 2010 and 7:00 pm on November 16, 2010
Council Chambers – 100 Civic Plaza

Your Elected Representatives – Let Your Voice Be Heard

“It behooves our citizens to be on their guard, to be firm in their principles, and full of confidence in themselves. We are able to preserve our self-government if we will but think so.” – Thomas Jefferson

Pleasanton City Council, (925) 960-4010 citycouncil@ci.pleasanton.ca.us

Mayor Jennifer Hosterman, jhosterman@ci.pleasanton.ca.us

Vice Mayor Cheryl Cook-Kallio, ccook-kallio@ci.pleasanton.ca.us

Councilmember Cindy McGovern, cmcgovern@ci.pleasanton.ca.us

Councilmember Matt Sullivan, msullivan@ci.pleasanton.ca.us

Councilmember Jerry Thorne, jthorne@ci.pleasanton.ca.us

Dublin City Council

Mayor Tim Sbranti, (925) 833-6663, tim.sbranti@ci.dublin.ca.us

Vice Mayor Kasie Hildenbrand, (925) 833-6665, kasie.hildenbrand@ci.dublin.ca.us

Councilmember Kate Ann Scholz, (925) 833-6661, kateann.scholz@ci.dublin.ca.us

Councilmember Kevin Hart, (925) 833-6662, kevin.hart@ci.dublin.ca.us

Councilmember Don Biddle, (925) 833-6664, don.biddle@ci.dublin.ca.us

Livermore City Council

Mayor Marshall Kamena, (925) 960-4020, mayor@ci.livermore.ca.us

Vice Mayor John Marchand, (925) 487-5283, jpmarchand@ci.livermore.ca.us

Councilmember Mary Leider, (925) 960-4019, mrleider@ci.livermore.ca.us

Councilmember Doug Horner, (925) 9980-2655, jdhorner@ci.livermore.ca.us

Councilmember Jeff Williams, (925) 455-5575, jdwilliams@ci.livermore.ca.us

Alameda County Supervisor

1st District, Scott Haggerty, Pleasanton Office, (925) 551-6995 scott.haggerty@acgov.org

California Assembly

15th District – Joan Buchanan (D), State Capitol, P.O. Box 942849, Sacramento, CA 94249-0015, (916) 319-2015

assemblymember.buchanan@assembly.ca.gov

18th District - Mary Hayashi (D), 22320 Foothill Blvd. Suite 540, Hayward, CA 94541, (510) 583-8818 hayashi@assembly.ca.gov

20th District – Alberto Torrico (D), 3150 Paseo Padre Parkway, Fremont, CA 94538, (510) 794-2580 torrico@assembly.ca.gov

California Senate

9th District – Loni Hancock (D), State Capitol, Room 3092, Sacramento, CA 95814, (916) 651-4009

<http://www.senate.ca.gov/hancock>

10th District – Ellen Corbett (D), 39155 Liberty St., #F610, Fremont, CA 94538 (510) 794-3900 senator.corbett@senate.ca.gov

Governor

Arnold Schwarzenegger (R), State Capitol, Sacramento, CA 95814, (916) 445-2841 <http://gov.ca.gov/interact>

Congressional Representatives

10th District, John Garamendi (D), 2121 North California Blvd, Suite 555, Walnut Creek, CA 94596, (925) 932-8899

<http://garamendi.house.gov/contact/email-me.shtml>

11th District, Jerry McNerney (D), 5776 Stoneridge Mall Road, 175, Pleasanton, CA 94588, (925) 737-0727

mcnerneyinfo@mail.house.gov

13th District, Fortney “Pete” Stark (D), 39300 Civic Center Drive, Suite 220, Fremont, CA 94538, (510) 494-1388

ca13casework@mail.house.gov

U.S. Senate

Dianne Feinstein (D), One Post Street, Suite 2450, San Francisco, CA 94104, (415) 393-0707

<http://feinstein.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?FuseAction=ContactUs.EmailMe>

Barbara Boxer (D), 1700 Montgomery Street, Suite 240, San Francisco, CA 94111, (415) 403-0100

<http://boxer.senate.gov/contact/email/policy.cfm>

White House

President Barack Obama (D), 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20500, (202) 456-1111

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/CONTACT/>

2010 Application for Membership and Renewal
Tri-Valley Republican Women Federated

Check one:

- Regular Member \$40.00 Registered Republican Women
 Associate Member \$30.00 Women who are regular members of another Republican Women’s
 Federated Club - Club name: _____
 and registered Republican men.

Membership Benefits

- ★ Member discount to eight luncheons or dinners per year featuring topical speakers, and/or local Republican officeholders or candidates, addressing current issues
- ★ Information and opportunities to volunteer for election work, fundraisers and Club sponsored community service activities.
- ★ Club newsletters featuring the latest club information, Women’s Federated events, conservative articles, legislative updates/alerts, and opportunities to volunteer and get involved.
- ★ Subscription to the Federation’s national magazine “The Republican Woman.”
- ★ Regular updates on local and national political activities and elections.
- ★ Opportunities for seminars and conferences to gain information and knowledge of the principles and practices of the Republican party.
- ★ Membership in the California, as well as National, Republican Women Federated.

Make checks payable to: TVRWF (Tri-Valley Republican Women Federated)
Send this form and check to: Tawnya Trunnell 1459 Chianti Court, Livermore, CA 94550
 For information call or email: Tawnya Trunnell, 925-454-2927, tawnyatrunnell@comcast.net
 Website: www.trivalleyrepublicanwomen.org

PLEASE PRINT

Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Home phone:	Mobile:	Work:
Email:		
Birthday:	Spouse/SO:	

Get Involved! YOU can have an impact!

Please circle the committee(s) that you are interested in.

Campaign/elections	Legislation	Membership	Telephoning	Fundraising
Party planning	Greeting/hostessing	Computer skills	Record keeping	Voter registration

Other interests or hobbies:
