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A "Gold Award" Club

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ANNIE GET YOUR GUN!!!!
SECOND AMENDMENT RIGHTS UPDATE

Let our April 8th meeting serve as a shout out to Second Amendment Sisters and a shot across the bow to those who would deny their fellow Americans the constitutional right to bear arms! This evening will provide valuable Second Amendment rights information directly from the horse's mouth – the NRA.

Please join us in welcoming our guest speaker, Allan Lindsay-O'Neal, NRA Life Member and participating founder/past president of the NRA Members' Council of Alameda County. Allan possesses a wealth of knowledge relating to historical attempts at invalidating the original intent of our founding fathers as well as the history of firearm control. He also monitors pending California firearms legislation. So, if you are interested in the erosion of your rights, particularly here on the left-coast, this is a meeting you do not want to miss!



Raised on the not-so right-coast in Massachusetts, Allan now makes his home in San Leandro where he lives with his wife of 32 years. With history, politics and the "shooting sports" as his personal interests, we anticipate that this evening will prove to be one of the most lively in recent history. Don't miss out on the passionate discussion and opinion "sharing". See you April 8th!!!

APRIL 8TH MEETING INFORMATION

Our meeting on **Thursday, April 8th** will be held at the **Cattlemens Restaurant**, 2882 Kitty Hawk Road, in Livermore. Take Hwy. 580 East to the Airway Blvd. Exit, cross the street into the parking lot of Cattlemens. Social hour starts at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m.

RSVPs with menu selections must be made by Monday, April 5th. Menu choices are: (1) **Teriyaki Chicken**, or (2) **Broiled Top Sirloin Steak** (prepared medium/medium-rare; rare or well-done by special request), or (3) **Grilled Atlantic Salmon**, or (4) **Spinach & Ricotta Cheese Ravioli in Marinara Sauce**.

To RSVP, contact Phyllis Couper coupclan1962@pacbell.net. Please be sure to give the names of everyone in your party, their menu selections, and your phone number. Dinner is \$26 for members and \$30 for non-members. Payment by cash or checks made at the door. Sorry, we cannot accept credit cards.

See you at Cattlemens Restaurant on April 8th!

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President's Message

Greetings Fellow Patriots!

I hope you all enjoyed the March Membership Meeting at Castlewood. It was a gorgeous sunny day and the slide show and commentary by Laurie Firestone of her time with George and Barbara Bush was absolutely wonderful. Thanks to all of you who purchased Laurie's book "An Affair to Remember", and for supporting our Ways and Means Table, and buying raffle tickets for the gorgeous raffle items that were offered. You are the best!

With the roar of thousands of protesters screaming "NO" and "KILL THE BILL" outside the Capitol and around the United States, Nancy Pelosi and House Democrats defied the will of the American people and voted in favor of Barack Obama's health care reform legislation. Let's be honest: FREEDOM AND LIBERTY TOOK A PUNCH TO THE GUT, AND IT REALLY DOES STING. Now, we must meet this challenge with fortitude and determination. Now, more than ever, Americans must show their true spirit and strength, and show courage to press on and institute positive REAL change. We can do that – at the polls. Each generation has had its fight and opportunity to change the course of American history. THIS IS OURS! We will continue to fight for limited government and individual freedom. Judging by the attendance at rallies, street protests, all the letters and emails sent, phone calls made – the American people are clearly on the side of FREEDOM. Lawsuits are already in the works to challenge the constitutionality of many of the provisions in this bill. The Obama administration continues to refuse to listen to the American people. They are hoping we will just go away and give up. Not us, the Mighty Republican Women! Our commitment to continue the fight, in the face of a far left agenda, knowing that our cause to protect individual freedoms and economic liberties on which this country was founded will only make us stronger! This is not just about health care, this is about the American way of life.

I'm very excited and proud to report that TVRWF members have filed and are candidates for the **Alameda County Republican Party Central Committee** for the June 8th Statewide Direct Primary Election for the following districts:

15th Assembly District

18th Assembly District

20th Assembly District

Please – on June 8th - cast your votes for your fellow TVRWF members! Once again, at the March Central Committee Meeting, the TVRWF was well represented. Remember, everyone is invited to come down to the meetings. If you'd like to carpool, let me know.

The Pleasanton TEA Party is coming up on Thursday, April 15th, at the Alameda County Fairgrounds. Trust me when I tell you that it is going to be SPECTACULAR! If you have not volunteered for this event yet, be sure to contact me ASAP. Bridget Melson's Volunteer Coordinator will be in touch with all of us who have volunteered. **IMPORTANT:** There will be a MANDATORY meeting of ALL volunteers at the Alameda County Fairgrounds a few days before the event. Please watch your emails for the details. Please contact me if you have any questions!

"Those who expect to reap the blessings of freedom must, like men, undergo the fatigue of supporting it."
Thomas Paine. With that in mind, continuing with the reminders of our Constitutional Freedoms, here is Number 9:

9th Amendment: The enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.

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

Karan Healy
TVRWF 2010 President

Membership Report

Our membership luncheon was held at the Castlewood County Club. It was attended by a good number of members along with several new and potential members, who did sign up before the end of the luncheon.

The theme was, "Getting Back to the Heart of the Republican Party!" Our speaker Laurie Firestone, a former White House Social Secretary, discussed one way to the heart. She knows of no better way to the heart than through an appetite! Laurie had so much to share and was very entertaining. Did you know that each President and First Lady had their very own design for the china used during their presidency? It's made here in the USA, too! And Laurie has met so many interesting people! She has had the honor of meeting Kings, Queens, Princes, Prime Ministers and Presidents from many different countries!

Laurie also shared her "inside" knowledge of the warmth of the Bush family, their humor, hospitality and their ability to bring the "salt of the earth" feeling to all who visited. Laurie said that in her time no one would have gotten past the security if they were not in fact invited!

You can buy Laurie's book "An Affair to Remember" on her website www.lauriefirestone.com. Tell her Tri-Valley Republican Women's Federated sent you!

Membership Growth. Have you heard?! We are growing; which only goes to prove it's never too late to become a member! There are so many benefits to being a member. I would share them all here, but it would ruin the fun of having you find out first-hand!

Personally, I enjoy the speakers who share their knowledge at our meetings. Secondly, I enjoy our members! As I was planning the luncheon, I got the chance to meet many of you. It's one thing to talk in passing, yet another to spend time on the phone discussing values, morals, and beliefs...

This is going to be a great year! Please take the moment and get signed up and get involved! Print out that form at the end of this newsletter, fill it in, and mail it to me with a check! You are needed! And be sure to pass the membership form on to your Republican friends!

As always, thanks so much for your support!!

Tawnya Trunnell
2nd VP, Membership



TVRWF Officers for 2010

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Ways and Means Report

Hello Members!!! Do I have **T.E.A. Party** items for you! I have pins, earrings, buttons, caps, bumper stickers, noisemakers all so that you will be decked out for the April Tax Day T.E.A. Party in Pleasanton! Or any T.E.A. Party you attend. I even have patriotic tote bags to carry your water and supplies! Help get the message out that we have had it with Obama's and Pelosi's change!

And the BIG NEWS -- we have ordered custom-made T.E.A. Party T-shirts! Here's the design. I expect these to sell out fast at the Tax Day T.E.A. Party! You will want to order yours **NOW** so you have it to wear on April 15th!



Please see me at our club meeting on April 8th **OR** if you would like to meet with me ahead of time, I would be glad to get you the items you want. Call me for actual descriptions of all our items. Don't be left out! Be there and look the part! All profits go to TVRWF programs and to help with our speaker costs.

So email me at jjbuckid@comcast.net **TODAY!**

Jenny Buck
Chair, Ways and Mean Committee

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 _____

Dates to Remember

- April 8, Thursday.....TVRWF Membership Meeting
6:30pm, Cattlemens Restaurant, 2882 Kitty Hawk Rd., Livermore
Guest Speaker: Allan Lindsay-O'Neal, Past President
NRA Members' Council of Alameda County
- April 15, Thursday..... Pay your taxes ☹ and attend the TEA Party ☺!
2-7pm, Alameda County Fairgrounds, Pleasanton
www.pleasantonteparty.com
- April 18-20, Sunday-Tuesday...CFRW Board of Directors' meeting
and Advocacy Workshop, Sacramento
- April 20, Tuesday..... ..Alameda County Republican Party
Central Committee meeting, 6:30 pm
1039 MacArthur Blvd, San Leandro
- April 29, Thursday.....Deadline for May newsletter
Email to Karen Wind
- May 18, Thursday.....TVRWF Membership Meeting
- June 8, Tuesday..... California Primary Election
- November 2, Tuesday.....**ELECTION DAY! ELECTION DAY!**
WE, THE PEOPLE, WILL HAVE OUR SAY!



*It's TEA Time
in the Tri-Valley!*

Conservative Quote of the Month

A Road Map For America's Future

This Road Map is built on a fundamental conviction that America's greatest strengths lie in Americans themselves – in their creativity, their productive capabilities and their personal initiative. Therefore this plan, to the greatest extent possible, builds on the initiative of individual Americans, exercised responsibly in a free economy and a democratic political system. Strengthening the role of the individual is the key to invigorating the society and the economy.

*Representative Paul Ryan
Congressman from Wisconsin*



Legislative Report

By Jo Molz, Legislative Co-chair

I am going to do something a little bit different this month. I am presenting the “Congressional Reform Act of 2010” I found in an internet article. This Act contains 8 provisions of which I am sure our Founding Fathers would approve.

1. Term Limits: 12 years only, one of the possible options below:
 - A. Two Six-Year Senate Terms
 - B. Six Two-Year House Terms
 - C. One Six-Year Senate Term and Three Two-Year House Terms
2. No Tenure/ No Pension. Congressmen collect a salary while in office and receive no pay when they are out of office.
3. Congress (past, present & future) participates in Social Security.
4. Congressmen can purchase their own retirement plans just as all Americans.
5. Congress will no longer vote itself a pay raise. Pay raises will rise by the lower of CPI (inflation rate) or 3%.
6. Congress loses its current health care system and participates in the same health care system as the American people.
7. Congress must equally abide by all laws they impose on the American people.
8. All contracts with past and present Congressmen are void effective 1/1/11.

SERVING IN CONGRESS IS AN HONOR, NOT A CAREER.
SERVE YOUR TIME, THEN GO HOME AND BACK TO WORK!!!

If we could get one Congressman and one Senator to present this bill, they would be American heroes!

Oh! By the way, isn't it amazing our State Legislature had enough time to discuss and vote for “No Cuss Week” while everything that needed attention has to wait??? Don't they have better things to do?????

Republican Women Federated Websites

National Federation of Republican Women: www.nfrw.org -- members should contact club president for access info
California Federation of Republican Women: www.cfrw.org -- members should contact club president for access info
CFRW Northern Division: www.cfrwnd.org -- members should contact club president for access info
Tri-Valley Republican Women Federated: www.trivalleyrepublicanwomen.org

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 April for the City Councils in the Tri-Valley. If you'd like to see other agencies on the list, please feel free to submit the meeting dates for upcoming issues. Thanks!

Pleasanton City Council: First & Third Tuesdays of the Month -- April 6 & 20
7:00 p.m. – Council Chambers – 200 Old Bernal Ave.

Livermore City Council: Second & Fourth Mondays of the Month – April 12 & 26
7:00 p.m. – Council Chambers - 3575 Pacific Ave.

Dublin City Council: First & Third Tuesdays of the Month – April 6 & 20
7:00 p.m. – 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 – regular meetings at 7:00pm on 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month

(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 – regular meetings at 7:00pm on 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month

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 – regular meetings at 7:00pm on 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month

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, jwilliams@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

mcnernyinfo@mail.house.gov

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

cal3casework@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

2010 Dues: (Check applicable box) One form per person

- Regular Member** \$40.00 Registered Republican Woman
- Associate Member** \$30.00 Women who are regular members of another Women's Federated Club
Club Name: _____ and registered Republican men.
- Golden Eagle** \$100.00 This is in addition to the Regular Dues – Club Sustaining Contribution ~ Open to all
Members of TVRWF

Membership Benefits

- ★ Eight luncheon or dinner meetings 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." (This is an online subscription)
- ★ 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 or tawnyatrunnell@comcast.net

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Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Home Phone:	Mobile:	Work:
Email:		
Birthday:	Anniversary:	Spouse/SO:
Referring Member:		

Get Involved! YOU can have an impact!

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

- Campaign/Elections Legislation Membership Telephoning Fundraising Party Planning Writing
- Greeting/Hospitality Computer Record Keeping Voter Registration Mailing Secretarial

Other interests or hobbies: _____

Office Use:			
New Member Packet (Welcome Letter; Directory; Membership Card; Official GOP Pin; Pocket Constitution; Current Flyer NFRW Member Handbook)			
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