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*A "Gold Award" Club*

February 2010

**BUSTING ON THE LEFTIES**  
**AN EVENING WITH NOEL SHEPPARD**

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On the heels of a very successful January meeting, we are upping the ante for February. You simply **MUST** bring friends and family for a delightfully entertaining evening with Noel Sheppard, Associate Editor of NewsBusters.org, a leading conservative website monitoring media bias 24/7. NewsBusters is a division of the Media Research Center, founded by L. Brent Bozell for the specific purpose of bringing balance to the news. Mr. Sheppard leaves no liberal ox ungoed with his barbed yet humorous approach. So, come ready to laugh – a lot – as he waxes poetic on the history of media bias from the Clinton Administration through the current Obama debacle.

Noel's work is regularly cited by Rush Limbaugh, Sean Hannity, Glenn Beck, Neil Boortz, Mark Levin, and Laura Ingraham. In fact, he has been a featured guest on Beck's television program as well as KSFO radio here in San Francisco. He is also a frequent contributor to the DC Examiner and FoxNews.com.

When not excoriating the Left and their media minions, Mr. Sheppard operates an estate planning company with offices in Blackhawk and Huntington Beach. He resides in the San Ramon Valley with his wife and two children.

**FEBRUARY 10<sup>th</sup> MEETING INFORMATION**

Our meeting on **Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>**, 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.

**It is imperative that RSVPs with menu selections be made by Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>.** 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 by **Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>**. 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. Make checks payable to TVRWF. Sorry, we cannot accept credit cards.

Remember, our meeting this month is one day earlier than usual, Wednesday instead of Thursday. And don't forget to RSVP by **Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>**, our ordering deadline!

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## President's Message

Many thanks to all of you who brought guests to our January meeting. Keep it up! Hope to see ALL of you at our February 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting. Wanted to tell you how I got one gal interested in the TVRWF... I was shopping in Safeway and had my TEA Party pin on, this gal noticed it, asked where I got it, I told her that we had them available through our local Republican Women's group, she told me she had been looking for a local group to get involved with, I gave her my card (Thanks, Jo!), I got her card, I emailed her our newsletter.... I will follow up with a phone call and invite her to the next meeting. Try it! Wear something that represents Republican Women – like the button we have at our Ways & Means Store, “Republican Women are the Life of the Party”. Speaking of that button, I was wearing one at the Leadership Conference that several of us attended on Saturday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>. We sat with a gal who is running for office here in California, she admired the button, asked me where I got it, I gave it to her, and she will be wearing it when she campaigns. What an honor!

So, how about that Scott Brown in Massachusetts? Did anyone REALLY think he could get elected to the seat previously held by Ted Kennedy for decades - in the BLUEST state on the East Coast? His election proves that WE THE PEOPLE still have a say-so in how this country is run! Thanks to any of you who sent a donation to his campaign. There are many good men and women all across the country out there trying to unseat the liberals. Get behind their campaigns! You can do that by sending them a check or do an internet donation.

Just as Paul Revere road through the streets of Boston warning colonists and fellow patriots that the British were coming, the people of Massachusetts have sent a message to Obama, Pelosi, and Reid that change IS coming to Washington. The American people are crying out against out-of-control wasteful spending, higher taxes, misplaced liberal priorities, a President more focused on terrorist's rights than the fight against terror, and our opposition to government-run health care. Can you imagine – Chris Dodd has dropped his own re-election campaign and Harry Reid is under water in poll after poll in Nevada. The important thing is to continue working to expose the real effect liberal policies are having on America. As Americans learn more, they can express their frustrations at the ballot box. And they have – in Massachusetts, New Jersey and Virginia. California – here we come!!

Continuing on with our reminders of our Constitutional Freedoms, here is Number 7:

***7<sup>th</sup> Amendment:** In Suits at common law, where the value in controversy shall exceed twenty dollars, the right of trial by jury shall be preserved, and no fact tried by a jury, shall be otherwise re-examined in any Court of the United States, than according to the rules of the common law.*

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

*Karan Healy*  
TVRWF 2010 President

## Membership Report

As January comes to an end and February knocks on the door, I glance at the paid membership dues list before me....We still have some blank “paid” areas! Do you feel that I am talking to you? I am! Gently nudging, reminding, and, yes, using some of my best motherly guilt!

Your membership in TVRWF is important! You benefit and so does the club. **Together a team is formed!** The time is now, and dues are due! So please fill out the Membership Form that is attached to the end of this newsletter and send it with your dues to me as soon as you can!

If you have questions, please feel free to call me at 925-454-2927. I am ready to help in any way I can!

TVRWF is looking forward to another great year with YOU as a member!

*Tawnya Trunnell*  
2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Membership

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### Save the Date! TVRWF Membership Luncheon



Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> is our Annual Membership Luncheon at Castlewood Country Club. Janet-marie has been working overtime! Our speaker is a former White House Social Secretary, Laurie Firestone, an expert in business event planning, international protocol, etiquette and fundraising. Through her book *An Affair to Remember: State Dinners for Home Entertaining*, Laurie shares her experiences during George H.W. Bush’s administration. She is sought after as a speaker by diverse groups including Presidential Libraries, corporations, nonprofits, and social organizations. Additionally, Laurie has made public appearances as a protocol and entertaining expert on CNN, C-SPAN, and ABC’s “Good Morning America.” So, be sure to mark this on your calendar – Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> -- because the committee is working together to make the luncheon fun and exciting! We’ll be there; hope to see you there, too!

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### TVRWF Officers for 2010

#### Executive Board:

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## Conservative Quote of the Month

**The principle that has been lost by today's politicians is limited government. When our legislators ignore the limits established by the Constitution, there is no limit to government at all. When we laugh at champions of a balanced budget (which all states have to adhere to), we throw off all restraints on spending. The government then becomes the instrument of compassion and the means for every good deed dreamed up by our politicians. The only solution is for the American people to stop asking for more from their "genie"– the federal government – and force it back into its "cage" – the Constitution.**

*Jim Demint, U.S. Senator, South Carolina  
From His Book "Saving Freedom"*

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## News from TVRWF Members

There will be a **Welcome Home Celebration** for US Army Sgt. Douglas Winter on **Tuesday, February 2**, at 6pm, rain or shine. Address: 4246 Graham St., Pleasanton. Douglas is coming home from a year in Afghanistan as a member of the 10th. Mountain Div. He has served 2 tours, so you can imagine how happy his family will be to see him come home! Let's all try to get out there and show our support for Douglas, after what he has done for us. Bring your friends, your flags and banners!

A concert, **Danville Community Band**, at Blackhawk Museum on **February 28** at 2 pm. There is an admission charge for the Museum, but you can see all of the fantastic automobiles before or after the concert and of course our concert is free! Get there by 1:15 and put your coat or saved signs where you want to sit. At our last concert there were 900 and at least 100 of those were standing. Our music is about transportation and we will be playing much of "Polar Express", selections from "Wicked", "E.T.", "Harry Potter" and "Star Wars".

**Delta Nu Psi** has now sent 16,132 pounds of gourmet junk food in 624 boxes to squads stationed in Iraq and Afghanistan. We will be "collecting" at Longs/CVS in Alamo on **February 5** and at Lunardi's on **February 12**. Please check out our web site <http://www.deltanupsi.org> for photos from the front lines, a video of one of our Chaplains giving out school supplies that we sent, emails, lists of food stuffs and Beanie Baby distribution. Supporting the troops is one of the nicest things I have ever done.

These are southern **Contra Costa County TEA Parties** being organized. They are held at the following locations on the following dates between the hours of 4-6 p.m.

**February 12:** Moraga Rd and Mt. Diablo Blvd in Lafayette

**February 26:** Camino Tassajara and Crow Canyon Rd in Danville (near Blackhawk)

**March 12:** Danville Blvd and Stone Valley Rd in Alamo

**March 26:** San Ramon Valley Blvd and Sycamore Valley Rd in Danville at the Livery

**April 2:** San Ramon Valley Blvd and Crow Canyon Rd in San Ramon

**April 16:** Ygnacio Valley Rd and California Blvd in Walnut Creek by BART

**April 30:** Bollinger Canyon Rd and Sunset Dr in San Ramon

**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.

***Dates to Remember***

- February 7, Sunday..... **RSVP deadline for February 10th meeting**
- February 10, Wednesday.....**TVRWF membership meeting**  
Speaker: Noel Sheppard, Associate Editor of NewsBusters.org  
6:30pm, Cattlemens Restaurant, 2882 Kitty Hawk Rd., Livermore
- February 12, Friday.....Lincoln’s Birthday
- February 14, Sunday..... ***Valentine’s Day***
- February 15, Monday.....President’s Day observed
- February 16, Tuesday.....Candidate filing period opens  
for June 8 Primary Election –  
contact the County Registrar  
of Voters for information
- February 22, Monday.....Washington’s Birthday
- February 25, Thursday.....Submission deadline for March newsletter  
Send by email to Karen Wind
- March 13, Saturday.....TVRWF Annual Membership Luncheon  
Castlewood Country Club, Pleasanton
- June 8, Tuesday.....California Primary Election
- November 2, Tuesday.....**ELECTION DAY! A NEW CONGRESS AT LONG LAST!**



*An Early Valentine!  
To America,  
With ♥ From  
The People of Massachusetts!*

**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 \_\_\_\_\_



## Legislative Report

By Jo Molz, 1/2 Legislative Chair

I could have chosen “California Health Care” (SB810, resurrected by Sen. Mark Leno and coming to your legislators soon), but I have picked redistricting as my first Legislative Report.

One of the steps towards getting back the houses to Republican is this redistricting thingy.

Proposition 11: “*Shall the authority for establishing state office boundaries be changed from elected representative to a commission comprised of Democrats, Republicans, and representative of neither party selected from the registered voter pool in a multilevel process?*” (Passed in November 2008)

This proposition called for the creation of a 14-member, INDEPENDENT citizens commission (made up of 5 Republican, 5 Democrats and 4 “others”) to redraw the districts for the Legislative and State Board of Equalization. This is supposed to occur in 2011 and take effect in the 2012 elections. This commission will be chosen by California State Auditor, Elaine M. Howle. She is an independent state auditor providing accurate, unbiased, and timely assessments of financial and operation aspects of state and local government entities. She was chosen to this position 1999, after rising through the ranks.

Only problem is: Not enough diversity of citizens stepping up for this panel. (Which pays \$300.00 per meeting day plus expenses == WOW!!!) But, there is a group of Democrats who are trying to repeal Proposition 11. So--what to do???

If you can, sign up for this commission, especially if you are a woman. There are restrictions, but they probably won’t apply to any of us. It’s true, we would qualify but probably not be chosen because we belong to the TVRWF. (How fair is that???)

This is a very important commission as it should set things straight so we can have an equal say about whom we want to be elected. Do not be convinced by the Berman/Lowenstein initiative, as it is glowing in verbiage but in the end, it would keep things status-quo!!!! This initiative is being titled “Financial Accountability in Redistricting Act” or “FAIR” -- but far from “Fair” it is!!!!

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## Republican Women Federated News

Following President Barack Obama’s first State of the Union address, National Federation of Republican Women President Sue Lynch issued this statement. What a great commentary! Thanks, Sue!

*Last night, the President had a genuine opportunity to communicate with the American people and to show leadership on the tough issues facing our country. Instead, he resorted to using the same partisan rhetoric to explain his administration’s undeniable lack of progress in revitalizing the economy and creating jobs for Americans. We congratulate Governor Bob McDonnell on his excellent response, which discussed the role of good government policy in spurring economic growth and strengthening the private sector by enabling American innovation and entrepreneurship to create new jobs. The Governor also questioned the administration’s handling of suspected terrorists and emphasized the need to put the protection of U.S. citizens first. President Obama claims he is looking for new ideas to solve problems. The National Federation of Republican Women hopes he will start listening to common sense ideas, such as those Governor McDonnell articulated.*

### Federation Websites

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

## **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*

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**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 Women's  
 Federated Club - Club name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 and registered Republican men.

**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."
- ★ 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.

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**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: \_\_\_\_\_  
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