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A "Gold Award" Club

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## HOWARD JARVIS TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION PORKULUS ALERT!!!!



Hang onto your wallets, folks! Statewide we are facing abusive tax and usage fee increases while numerous municipalities float parcel taxes "for the children". **If you're not part of the solution, you're part of the problem!!!!**

Let's become informed and take a stand! Please be in attendance on April 9th as we host David Wolfe, Legislative Director for the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association. Mr. Wolfe will address the manner in which parcel taxes obviate the spirit and intent of Proposition 13 as well as the substance of Proposition 1A, which will be on the ballot in May.

As Legislative Director, Mr. Wolfe closely monitors Sacramento, writing position papers and testifying in legislative sessions. He is also invested in the writing of what he terms a "Piglet" book detailing wasteful spending, fraud and abuse in state and local government, as well as compiling an annual Report Card for all 120 legislators and drafting guides and handouts for taxpayer groups and legislators.

Mr. Wolfe was a former staffer for Assemblyman Guy Houston. He was graduated from Sonoma State University with a B.A. in History and a minor in Political Science.

Our April meeting will be held at the **La Vite Restaurant**, 3037-G Hopyard Road, Pleasanton. Social time starts at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. Menu choices are:

1. Ravioli with Red Sauce, or
2. Warm Spinach Salad with Prawns & Scallops, or
3. Chicken Picata.

Dinner is \$26 for members and \$30 for non-members. Please pay either with cash or a check made payable to TVRWF. **Advance reservations are required no later than Sunday, April 5**. RSVP with the number in your party and your menu choices to Jan Pinney at [jfpinney@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jfpinney@sbcglobal.net). Send your check to Jan Pinney, 4596 Winter Court, Pleasanton, CA 94566. Payment may also be made at the door, but please remember that you must RSVP by the April 5<sup>th</sup> deadline so that we can give the restaurant our dinner numbers ahead of time.



## President's Message

Our March membership luncheon was wonderful! We all enjoyed the atmosphere and lunch at Castlewood Country Club. Jenny Buck and all the other ladies who were involved did a great job. The raffle prizes were outstanding -- thank you, ladies, for each one! We had two great speakers, Lynne Leach and Lori Brandes. Their messages were very different but had an underlying theme of getting organized and inspiring others to get organized and involved. Thanks again to everyone for all your work!

Now, I have to mention something that most of us don't talk or even want to think about. It is the upcoming elections for the TVRWF Board. There are at least 4 (that's four out of five elective officers) on the Board who cannot serve again next year. That means we need some of you to step up and take on these important volunteer jobs. (Think about Lynne Leach's talk.) We need good people for good jobs. If each of us takes on a small job, altogether they add up to getting the big job done.

And if you still have not seen Glenn Beck's show from Friday March 13, log on to "the project 912.com" for more information.

Don't forget our next dinner meeting at La Vite, Thursday, April 9, at 6:30pm. See you then!!

Jo Molz  
President

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## Register Soon for CFRW Advocacy Workshop

It's that time again – time for the Republican Women Red Jacket Brigade to storm the State Capitol!

The Board of Directors of CFRW meets three times a year and sets the policy and direction for CFRW. Each spring, in conjunction with the CFRW Spring Board of Directors' Meeting, CFRW members and guest students meet together in Sacramento at the annual Advocacy Workshop. It is traditional for CFRW members to wear red jackets while there. The Capitol steps become a Red Sea when everyone assembles for the group photo!

This year, the Board Meeting and 34<sup>th</sup> Advocacy Workshop will be held Monday, May 4, and Tuesday, May 5, at the Hyatt Regency at Capitol Park. As always, CFRW has plans for many exciting activities, including an open house at the CFRW Advocacy Office and lobbying visits at the State Capitol. Republican legislators will make presentations, and Insurance Commissioner Steve Poizner will be the keynote speaker at the luncheon on Tuesday, May 5. A copy of the tentative schedule is on page 8 of this newsletter.

Registration is \$45 per person. Lunch is \$45 on May 4 and \$35 on May 5. TVRWF members should go to the CFRW website, [www.cfrw.org](http://www.cfrw.org), to get complete details and a registration form. The website also has information about how to make hotel reservations at the Hyatt Regency. To avoid a late fee, please be sure to register by **April 15**.

## Membership Report

Our 4<sup>th</sup> annual membership luncheon on March 14<sup>th</sup> was a huge success! We had a great turnout of our membership and 15 prospective members. Our speakers Lynne Leach and Lori Brandes were inspiring and very informative. The room and food were also great. We all left there committed to fighting for Republican Values and not sitting still while the liberals ruin our country. We had five new members join our group, one renewal and one new associate renewal. We are on our way to a great year!

I want to thank all of you who did attend and especially those of you who brought guests. Also a **BIG** thank you to the following ladies for all of their hard work in helping organize the event . . . Paige Arnold, Karan Healy, Janet-marie Persico, Sara Volking, Cindy Aselage, Jan Pegler, Jan Pinney, Jody Ward, Glorian Crosslin and Jean Senden. If I missed anyone, please know it was unintentional and I thank you as well.

Our official membership drive has ended; however, we always accept new members and encourage you to bring new friends to our meetings. I will begin assembling our new membership directory and hope to have it to you by the May meeting. Those of you not present will have your copy mailed to you after that meeting. To be included in the directory you must join by the April meeting.

**See you at a tea party! Keep fighting the “GOOD” fight!**

*Jenny Buck*  
2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Membership  
jjbuckid@comcast.net

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Hello!

## Name Badges Still Available

Members, if you wish to have a TVRWF magnetic name badge, complete with the cute **Red**, White, and **Blue** Elephant, let Jan Pinney know. Badges are \$10.50. Contact Jan at [jfpinney@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jfpinney@sbcglobal.net) or see her at our April meeting to order yours!

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## 2009 College Scholarship Program

There is still time for high school seniors to enter the TVRWF 2009 College Scholarship Program for the opportunity to win a \$500 scholarship! Our club will award scholarships to two winners chosen on the basis of original essays addressing the future tax implications of the federal stimulus package, nationalization of health care, or immigration reform. The deadline for submissions is April 22 (postmark) if sent by regular mail or April 24 if sent by email. Winners will be announced May 1. Contact our 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Janet-marie Persico, for more details, or see the information sheet on the last page of this newsletter. If you know any high school seniors who live or go to school in Dublin, Pleasanton or Livermore, please encourage them to enter. College costs are rising every year – one textbook is often a hundred dollars or more – and a scholarship can be a big help!

## “Tea Party” on April 15

We all know the famous “Tea Party” held in 1773 to protest unfair taxation by an unrepresentative government. Today we face the same kind of situation with the so-called “Stimulus Package” being shoved down the taxpayers’ throats! In the spirit of the Boston patriots, people across the country are forming “Tea Parties” to protest. Now there is a coordinated effort to hold a nationwide “Tea Party” on Wednesday, April 15, and over a million Americans are expected to attend! A Tea Party is planned in Pleasanton, and the organizers hope to have a huge crowd. Exact time, place and other details should be available soon at [www.taxdayteaparty.com](http://www.taxdayteaparty.com) and KSFO radio. **TVRWF members are also sending updates by email, so be sure to check your messages for more information.** The date is easy to remember --April 15, TAX DAY! Join the party and become part of history!

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## Republican Women Federated News

### Special Election on May 19

The California Federation of Republican Women has taken official positions on five of the six ballot measures appearing on the May 19, 2009, statewide special election ballot:

- **OPPOSE Propositions 1A, 1B, 1C, 1E and 1F**
- **NO RECOMMENDATION on Proposition 1D** (this measure authorizes use of excess funds in the approximate amount of \$2 billion in the “First Five” fund)

More complete information on those measures is available on the March 7, March 14 and March 20 issues of the CFRW Capitol Update (see CFRW website information below), and through the Secretary of State’s office at [www.sos.ca.gov](http://www.sos.ca.gov).

### NFRW Magazine

Members, be sure to access the on-line issue of the NFRW magazine available at the National Federation website (see website information below). All dues-paying Federation members have access to the NFRW’s official publication, the *Republican Woman* magazine, as part of their membership benefits. The *Republican Woman* is designed to provide NFRW members with information about Federation goals and programs (national, state and local), Republican Party efforts, administrative policies, legislative activities in Congress, and other issues relevant to women in politics and leadership positions.

The spring 2009 issue is really great! It features the NFRW’s year-long celebration of the Lincoln Bicentennial, with articles on President Lincoln and the GOP’s rich heritage and on the NFRW Literacy Committee’s bicentennial activities. Several prominent Republican leaders also weigh in on what advice Lincoln would give us today. Plus, this issue features the NFRW’s issue advocacy program, Katie’s Law, and updates on committee activities and upcoming events. Put this issue at the top of your “To Read” list!

### Federation Websites

**National Federation of Republican Women:** [www.nfrw.org](http://www.nfrw.org)

User name is **federation**; members must request the password

**California Federation of Republican Women:** [www.cfrw.org](http://www.cfrw.org)

User name is **cfrw**; members must request the password

**Tri-Valley Republican Women Federated:** [www.trivalleyrepublicanwomen.org](http://www.trivalleyrepublicanwomen.org)

If you have suggestions such as links to good websites that we can post on our club website, please contact the TVRWF webmaster Karen Wind by email at [kwind@flash.net](mailto:kwind@flash.net). Thanks!

## Conservative Quote of the Month

With all of the recent economic developments, we sometimes miss the other pressing national issues that don't get as much attention these days. Thanks to Karan Healy for submitting this quote from our great Republican President Theodore Roosevelt, as it reminds us why immigration reform is still so important.



### Theodore Roosevelt's Ideas on Immigrants and Being an AMERICAN in 1907:

*In the first place, we should insist that if the immigrant who comes here in good faith becomes an American and assimilates himself to us, he shall be treated on an exact equality with everyone else, for it is an outrage to discriminate against any such man because of creed, or birthplace, or origin. But this is predicated upon the person's becoming in every facet an American, and nothing but an American. There can be no divided allegiance here. Any man who says he is an American, but something else also, isn't an American at all. We have room for but one flag, the American flag. We have room for but one language, and that is the English language. We have room for but one sole loyalty and that is a loyalty to the American people.*

### Dates to Remember

- April 5, Sunday..... **RSVP deadline for April 9<sup>th</sup> meeting**  
Contact Jan Pinney at 925-846-5944
- April 9, Thursday..... **TVRWF membership meeting**  
Speaker: David Wolfe, Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association  
6:30-9pm, La Vite Restaurant, 3037-G Hopyard Rd, Pleasanton
- April 15, Wednesday.....Registration deadline for CFRW Annual Advocacy Workshop  
**TAX DAY** – file your returns ☹, attend a Tea Party ☺
- April 29, Wednesday.....Submission deadline for TVRWF May newsletter  
Send by email to Karen Wind at kwind@flash.net
- May 4-5, Monday & Tuesday.....CFRW Annual Advocacy Workshop, Sacramento
- May 4, Monday.....Last day to register to vote in May 19 Special Election
- May 14, Thursday.....TVRWF May membership meeting
- May 19, Tuesday.....Statewide Special Election
- September 19, Saturday.....Contra Costa Republican Party's Red, White & Blue Ball  
Details TBA

## Don't Forget to Log Your 2009 Volunteer Hours!

Please be sure to log all volunteer hours. Remember, this contributes to our Club's Award status. Hours should be turned in to Sara Volking via the volunteer sheets from each general meeting or by e-mail to Sara at oakhillstravel1@hotmail.com .

Activities to include in the Volunteer Hours: All non-paid political activities benefiting the Republican Party, candidates or the Federation; work for a special 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 headquarters, fair booths, voter registration, voter outreach; running for office; time spent with community service projects.



Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Activity \_\_\_\_\_  
Month \_\_\_\_\_ Hours \_\_\_\_\_

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## 2009 TVRWF Officers

### Executive Board

President - R. Jo Molz, rjm911@sbcglobal.net  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President, Programs - Janet-marie Persico, jmpersico@comcast.net  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President, Membership - Jenny Buck, jjbuckid@comcast.net  
Recording Secretary - Sara Volking (925) 846-5165  
Treasurer - Cindy Aselage

### Appointed Board Members

Americanism/Chaplain – Janet-marie Persico, jmpersico@comcast.net  
Communications (newsletter, publicity, website) - Karen Wind, kwind@flash.net  
Historian – Darlene Snider  
Legislation and Research – VACANT  
Parliamentarian - Sara Volking (925) 846-5165  
Social - Jan Pinney, jfpinney@sbcglobal.net  
Ways and Means - Karan Healy (925) 846-1879, kajore@aol.com

## 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, 1800*

### **Pleasanton City Council**, (925) 960-4010, [citycouncil@ci.pleasanton.ca.us](mailto:citycouncil@ci.pleasanton.ca.us)

Mayor Jennifer Hosterman

Vice Mayor Jerry Thorne

Councilmember Cindy McGovern

Councilmember Cheryl Cook-Kallio

Councilmember Matt Sullivan

### **Dublin City Council**

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

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

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

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

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

### **Livermore City Council**

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

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

Councilmember Marj Leider, (925) 960-4019, [mrleider@ci.livermore.ca.us](mailto:mrleider@ci.livermore.ca.us)

Councilmember Doug Horner, (925) 980-2655, [jdhorner@ci.livermore.ca.us](mailto:jdhorner@ci.livermore.ca.us)

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

### **Alameda County Supervisor**

1<sup>st</sup> District, Scott Haggerty, Pleasanton Office, (925) 551-6995

### **California Assembly**

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

18<sup>th</sup> District – Mary Hayashi (D), 22320 Foothill Boulevard, Suite 540 Hayward, CA 94541, (510) 583-8818

20<sup>th</sup> District - Alberto Torrico (D), 3150 Paseo Padre Parkway, Fremont, CA 94538, (510) 794-2580

### **California Senate**

9<sup>th</sup> District – Loni Hancock (D), State Capitol, Room 4061, Sacramento, CA 95814, (916) 651-4009

10<sup>th</sup> District – Ellen Corbett (D), 43801 Mission Blvd., No.103, Fremont, CA 94539, (510) 413-5960

### **Governor**

Arnold Schwarzenegger (R), State Capitol, Sacramento, CA 95814, (916) 445-2841

[www.governor.ca.gov/state/govsite/gov\\_homepage.jsp](http://www.governor.ca.gov/state/govsite/gov_homepage.jsp)

### **Congressional Representatives**

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

10<sup>th</sup> District, Ellen Tauscher (D), 2121 N. California Blvd, Suite 555, Walnut Creek, CA 94596, (925) 932-8899

13<sup>th</sup> District, Fortney "Pete" Stark (D), 39300 Civic Center Drive, Suite 220, Fremont, CA 94538, (510) 494-1388

### **U.S. Senate**

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

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

## **CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN**

### ***“Volunteers in Politics”***

#### **Board of Directors’ Meeting and 34th Advocacy Workshop Tentative Schedule for May 3 - 5, 2009**

##### May 3, 2009

5:00 – 8:00 P.M. Early Registration

##### May 4, 2009

7:30 – 10:00 A.M. Registration

8:30 – 11:30 A.M. CFRW Board of Directors’ Meeting

12:00 Noon – 2 P.M. Board of Directors’ Luncheon – Speaker: NFRW President Shirley Sadler

1:00 – 3:00 P.M. Registration

2:30 P.M. Red Jacket Group Photo - Capitol Steps

2:45 P.M. Lobbying at the State Capitol

3:00 – 4:00 P.M. CFRW Advocacy Office Open House,  
1225 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 342

6:00 – 7:30 P.M. Ambassadors’ Legislative Reception

##### May 5, 2009

7:00 A.M. Advocacy Workshop Registration

and Welcome Refreshments – Hyatt Ballroom

8:30 A.M. Joint Opening Ceremonies (Governor Schwarzenegger, invited)

9:00 A.M. Break to Separate Sessions

9:15 – 11:45 A.M. Adult Program featuring Legislators with  
introductions by Legislative Analysts

Student workshop – “How an Idea becomes Law”

facilitated by CFRW Legislative Advocate Michelle P. Connor

12:30 P.M. Joint Luncheon -- Keynote Speaker: Insurance Commissioner Steve Poizner

12:15 – 3:30 P.M. (Optional) Capitol Tours and visits to Legislative Offices

2:00 P.M. Adjournment of Advocacy Workshop

***TVRWF Members:* To get more information and the registration form,  
visit the CFRW website [www.cfrw.org](http://www.cfrw.org). Registration deadline is April 15.**

## 2009 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.

**Make checks payable to: TVRWF (Tri-Valley Republican Women Federated)**  
**Send this form and check to: Jenny Buck, 7867 Fair Oaks Dr., Pleasanton, CA 94588**  
 For information contact Jenny Buck at [jjbuckid@comcast.net](mailto:jjbuckid@comcast.net)

*PLEASE PRINT*

Name:			
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Home phone:	Mobile:	Work:	
Email:			
Birth day:	Anniversary:	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:

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# Tri-Valley Republican Women Federated Announces 2009 Scholarship

Tri-Valley Republican Women Federated is pleased to present its second annual college scholarship program. The 2009 award is directed toward eligible high school seniors from the cities of Pleasanton, Dublin and Livermore who will be attending a two- or four-year academic college in September, 2009.

Two non-partisan academic college scholarships in the amount of \$500 shall be awarded.

Winners shall be chosen by the Executive Board of Tri-Valley Republican Women Federated.

In order to qualify, students shall be required to submit an original essay of not less than 500 words on the following theme:

## An Open Letter to Congress

The work shall address future tax implications for today's high school generation as they pertain to one of the following:

- The imminent United States economic stimulus package
- Nationalization of health care
- Immigration reform

Essays shall be judged on completeness and development of thought/argument, global understanding of the chosen topic as well as accuracy of spelling, grammar and punctuation.

Completed essays shall be submitted to jmpersico@comcast.net in Microsoft Word format no later than midnight, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009. For those students without access to Microsoft Word, essays must be postmarked no later than midnight, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009 and directed to the following address:

Janet-marie Persico  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
Tri-Valley Republican Women Federated  
2931 Bottini Court  
Pleasanton, California 94566

Winners shall be announced Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009.

Questions or considerations regarding the scholarship may be directed to Ms. Persico via e-mail.

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**The following information must accompany each student essay on a separate cover sheet:**

- Student name, address and telephone number**
- School which the student attends**
- Name of student counselor/advocate**
- Phone number of counselor/advocate**