



Newsletter – Volume V, No. 2

*A "Gold Award" Club*

February 2009

### AND THE "SICKO" GOES TO.....MICHAEL MOORE!!!

Please join us on Thursday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, as we host Danville resident, Mike Jarchow, a man with a huge heart and an enormous story.

A licensed pilot, Mike has been an active participant in The Cuba AIDS Project over the past 10 years, donating time and energy airlifting medical and humanitarian supplies to AIDS victims in Havana.

The Cuba AIDS Project, a US-based humanitarian organization, serves HIV/AIDS patients and families. As an advocate for dignified treatment of these patients and families worldwide, the project maintains particular focus on Cuba. Through his service Mike has worked closely with Cuba's top AIDS expert, Dr. Jorge Pérez.

Mr. Jarchow holds a unique position relative to eyewitness reportage of the political, cultural and medical in an island nation often mistakenly referred to as a "paradise". If you are interested in the truth about conditions behind the sugar cane curtain, you must hear Mike's story.

As Regional Director for Boston-based OmniPresence, Mike is a leader in pioneering the telepresence revolution. Nationwide he has overseen many major industry projects in universities, state governments, hospitals and businesses, including one of the largest Telemedicine deployments in the US, the Alameda County Medical Center-San Francisco General project. He has also introduced the video concept to California Court Systems.

Our February meeting will be held at the **Frankie, Johnnie & Luigi Too Restaurant, 11891 Dublin Blvd., Dublin**. The restaurant is located on the opposite (southwest) corner from "Hooters," behind the Shell Gas station. Drive west on Dublin Blvd, and turn left at Donlon Way, and turn left into the driveway just beyond the church on the corner. It is also possible to make a u-turn at Donlon Way, and then enter the parking lot by the driveway right in front of the restaurant.

Social hour starts at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. Menu choices are:

1. **Chicken Toscana** – Boneless Breast of Chicken with garlic, caramelized onions, fresh tomatoes, mushrooms and Marsala wine, served with garlic mashed potatoes & fresh vegetables; or
2. **Veal Parmigiana** – Lightly breaded veal flamed with Marsala wine, layered with marinara and mozzarella, and served with spaghetti Bolognese & fresh vegetables; or
3. **Eggplant Parmigiana** – Fresh eggplant lightly breaded, fried & topped with mozzarella & marinara sauce, served with spaghetti and fresh vegetables.

Dinner is \$26 for members, and \$30 for non-members. Please pay either with cash or check. Send checks to Jan Pinney, 4596 Winter Court, Pleasanton CA, 94566. Make checks payable to TVRWF.

Please send your menu choice and the number in your party to Jan Pinney at [jfpinney@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jfpinney@sbcglobal.net) by **Sunday, February 8th**, our ordering deadline. No late reservations can be accepted.



## President's Message

By the time you read this, four of us have attended the Leadership Conference in Fairfield (January 17), AND the inauguration is over. NOW, we can get to work. It will be interesting to see how transparent our new President is. From all the happenings before January 20, we are led to believe there will be little transparency and lots of liberal take on things. We shall see!!!

It is up to us to keep on pushing for more conservatism: smaller government, Second Amendment rights, lower taxes, no socialized medicine, secure borders, no amnesty, etc. So to continue pushing, one of our first priorities must be to support our local club. There are few, if any, conservative groups in our area (and none for the men!). We are trying to bring more education to those who think the conservative view is the best.

Start by joining us at our next dinner meeting on Thursday, February 12 (always the second Thursday of the month) at Frankie, Johnnie & Luigi Too Restaurant in Dublin at 6:30pm. Our speaker will be Mike Jarchow, who will talk of the current state of affairs in Cuba.

Don't forget, February 12<sup>th</sup> for dinner and a great speaker! And be sure to make note of the new meeting location -- **Frankie, Johnnie & Luigi Too Restaurant** in Dublin. Contact Jan Pinney no later than February 8<sup>th</sup> for reservations. See you then!

**Jo Molz**  
**President**

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## Membership Report

We have 25 members and 3 associate members as of this writing. If you have not paid your 2009 dues of \$40 Regular Membership and \$30 Associate Membership, please send your check with your membership form (see last page of this newsletter) to the address below ASAP.

If you do not pay by Feb. 21, you will no longer receive the newsletter that keeps you informed of events in the Tri-Valley and of political happenings in Sacramento.

**Please stay on board** so that we can fight to get Republicans elected in our Assembly and Congressional Districts! We need everyone to work against the liberal administration and to bring Republican values back into the government where they belong!!

**Jenny Buck**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Membership**  
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## Annual Membership Luncheon in March

**NEWS FLASH!!!** Our March meeting will be our annual Membership Luncheon!

**The membership luncheon will be held on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> from 11:30am to 2.30pm at Castlewood Country Club in Pleasanton.** We are very fortunate this year to present two dynamic guest speakers, Lynn Leach, former 15<sup>th</sup> District Assemblymember and businesswoman, and Lori Brandes, a Professional Organizer.

The theme of our luncheon will be “Public Faces and Private Spaces,” information to help create an even better you through presentation and organization skills.

*Now* would be a good time to invite your friends, acquaintances and even family members to join the Republican Women! Invitations will be available soon to send to them. Please be looking for upcoming emails with more information. So save the date -- we look forward to seeing you there!

**Jenny Buck**  
2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Membership

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## Ways and Means Report

Thank you for your on-going support of our Ways and Means table. Since I have taken it over, I’ve wanted to get a collection of items that are not in the mainstream. The 2008 campaign buttons flew off the table at our voter registration table at the Farmers Market last fall before the election. I am committed to keeping a fresh supply of jewelry, buttons, books, calendars, car magnets, tote bags, etc., for our monthly meetings. The items you purchase help the Club in various ways, so I thank you in advance for your support.

At the February meeting, there will be a Ways and Means Survey asking for input as to the kinds of items you’d like us to offer. Do you have a favorite President? A favorite author? A favorite singer? Would you like to see patriotic kid’s items – for your children or grandchildren? Do you support the troops? So please – take a few minutes at the February meeting and give me your input. And if you know of any websites that offer Republican and patriotic items, I’d love to hear from you!

Again, thanks for your on-going support of the Ways and Means table!

**Karan Healy**  
Ways and Means  
[kajore@aol.com](mailto:kajore@aol.com)



## TVRWF Literacy Program

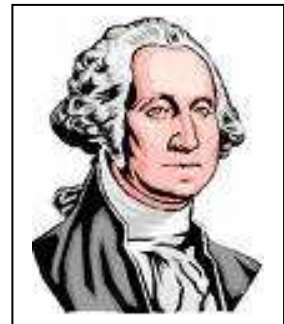
Our club collected \$260 dollars and several books to donate to Assistance League of Amador Valley in the name of the Barbara Bush Literacy program. We spent \$100 buying copies of four different books written by Lynne Cheney, all very patriotic books. These along with the remainder of the money and other books will be presented to Assistance League in February.

“Thank you!” to those who were able to give to the needy children in the Tri-Valley. Assistance League is a part of a national organization, and they give thousands of hours and 80% of monies collected back to local children and elderly in need.

Next year club member Linda Krikorian will head our literacy program, and we will find other ways to give back through books and tutoring to the children in our area. Please look for upcoming information regarding this program and how you can help.

### Dates to Remember

- February 8, Sunday..... **RSVP deadline for February 12<sup>th</sup> meeting**  
Contact Jan Pinney at [jfpinney@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jfpinney@sbcglobal.net)
- February 12, Thursday..... Lincoln’s Birthday  
**TVRWF membership meeting**  
Speaker: Mike Jarchow, The Cuba AIDS Project  
6:30 – 9pm at Frankie, Johnnie & Luigi Too Restaurant  
11891 Dublin Blvd., Dublin
- February 14, Saturday..... ♥♥♥ *Valentine’s Day* ♥♥♥
- February 16, Monday..... President’s Day holiday
- February 22, Sunday..... Washington’s Birthday
- February 25, Wednesday..... Submission deadline for  
TVRWF March newsletter  
Send by email to Karen Wind  
at [kwind@flash.net](mailto:kwind@flash.net)
- March 14, Saturday..... TVRWF Membership Luncheon  
11:30am – 2:30pm at Castlewood Country Club, Pleasanton



### Conservative Quote of the Month

“The problem with socialism is that you eventually run out of other people's money.”-- Margaret Thatcher



## Legislative Report

- California has the nation's highest income taxes**, the highest state sales tax rate, the highest gas tax and the highest corporate tax in the western U.S. And contrary to popular mythology about Proposition 13 (passed by the voters in 1978), state property taxes are at the national average. Forbes magazine ranks California as having the highest business costs (taking into account taxes, labor and energy). The Tax Foundation ranks California as having the 48<sup>th</sup> worst business-tax climate, down from 38<sup>th</sup> just three years earlier. Only New Jersey and New York are assessed as more hostile to business. Clearly, California does not have a yawning budget deficit because of a light, business-friendly tax burden. California has a spending problem, not a revenue problem. Yet, in spite of all the overspending, the majority of the Democrats are only offering one-time reductions in the spending of \$8 billion. There is no talk of government reform, without which any solution would last no more than a year. California has America's most generous welfare rules. With an 8.2% unemployment rate, America's third-highest, California workers are likely to see far greater pain in the months ahead as lawmakers resist reducing taxes on capital and wealth generation and instead seek to increase taxes by \$11 billion over the next 18 months. There are two problems with this massive Democratic tax increase plan: (1) it will throw more working Californians into the unemployment line, and (2) it's unconstitutional.
- California Republicans Launch New Technology Initiative** – Republican Party Chairman Ron Nehring announced the formation of a new Technology Leadership Committee of Tech Leaders to provide expertise and support to make the state Republican Party the national leader in applying new technologies in every aspect of party operations. *“Technology is rapidly changing how voters, donors, activists, elected officials and candidates network and share information. Our objective is to make the California Republican Party the national leader in using new technologies to build the party and support our candidates for the 2010 election and beyond,”* said Chairman Nehring.

The Technology Leadership Committee consists of leaders drawn from the technology and campaign sectors to bring state party operations to the leading edge of current technologies, while simultaneously monitoring the development of the new technologies which are just now making their way into society. David Kralik, Director of Internet Strategy for Newt Gingrich, will chair the effort. Kralik, based in Silicon Valley, brings a strong technology and communications background to the position.

- Congressman Ken Calvert (R-CA) and Congressman Jack Kingston (R-GA) have offered an amendment to the economic stimulus bill that would reauthorize E-Verify for four (4) more years.** The language of the amendment is identical to H.R. 6633, the bill that passed the House last July by a vote of 407-2. This amendment requires that all businesses that receive stimulus money use **E-Verify** to help ensure that their workforce is **Legal**. Both Congressmen Calvert and Kingston have been long-time supporters of **E-Verify**, the electronic system that allows employers to verify that they are hiring legal workers by matching identification documents against databases managed by the Social Security Administration (SSA) and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). The program, formally known as the Basic Pilot Program, was established in 1996 by the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act. It has become an effective tool for ensuring a legal workforce, protecting wages, and fighting illegal immigration. Homeland Security reports that over 100,000 businesses now use E-Verify with an average of 1,000 employers signing up every week. **Unfortunately, E-Verify will expire March 6<sup>th</sup> unless Congress acts.** The efforts by Congressmen Calvert and Kingston represent the first step to getting **E-Verify** reauthorized and holding employers who receive taxpayer money accountable for hiring legal workers. **Please call Congressman Ken Calvert at 1-202-225-1986;** we need to let him know that we strongly support **E-Verify** reauthorization.

## 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 [oakhillstravel1@hotmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:rjm911@sbcglobal.net)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President, Programs - Janet-marie Persico [jmpersico@comcast.net](mailto:jmpersico@comcast.net)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President, Membership - Jenny Buck [jjbuckid@comcast.net](mailto:jjbuckid@comcast.net)
- Recording Secretary - Sara Volking (925) 846-5165
- Treasurer - Cindy Aselage

### Appointed Board Members

- Americanism/Chaplain – Janet-marie Persico [jmpersico@comcast.net](mailto:jmpersico@comcast.net)
- Communications (newsletter, publicity, website) - Karen Wind [kwind@flash.net](mailto:kwind@flash.net)
- Historian – Darlene Snider
- Legislation and Research – VACANT
- Parliamentarian - Sara Volking (925) 846-5165
- Social - Jan Pinney [jfpinney@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jfpinney@sbcglobal.net)
- Ways and Means - Karan Healy (925) 989-4167, [kajore@aol.com](mailto:kajore@aol.com)

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## Republican Women Federated Websites

- National Federation of Republican Women: [www.nfrw.org](http://www.nfrw.org)
- California Federation of Republican Women: [www.cfrw.org](http://www.cfrw.org)
- 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!

*Photo Gallery*  
**TVRWF 2008 Christmas Party**



**Santa distributes presents. No lumps of coal for our wonderful club members!**



**Santa Baby! Whether naughty or nice, Janet-marie makes things exciting!**



**Good company, good music and good cheer!  
Here's to a Merry Christmas for  
our members and friends!**

## 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)

One vacancy

### **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, [jdhorne@ci.livermore.ca.us](mailto:jdhorne@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

## 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 email: Jenny Buck [jjbuckid@comcast.net](mailto:jjbuckid@comcast.net)

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