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President's message:

Dear Members, associates & friends,

Thank you to Stanislaus County Sheriff Jeff Dirkse for his highly informative update. It was great to have so many participate in the Q&A session following!

***URGENT: The Primary election will be on Tuesday, March 5th – but don't wait! VOTE EARLY,**

VOTE NOW!!

On Saturday, February 24th, several vote centers opened, and more will open on Saturday, March 2nd. You can vote-in-person at any vote center in Stanislaus County.

The CFRW conference - led by CFRW President Lydia Kanno - was a great success! It was packed full of valuable information from many great speakers. The experience of being with 100 other like-minded Republican women was highly motivating; it was a great opportunity to exchange ideas, make new friends, and be united in growing stronger together! Unity was one of the main themes throughout the weekend, and it is most needed now – and as we continue to move forward!

Donald Trump has won the South Carolina Primary election, heading closer to the GOP nomination! The results: Donald Trump = 59.8%, Nikki Haley = 39.5%.

***If you haven't renewed your membership, please do so ASAP: after February 29th, you will no longer receive email messages from CFRW and NFRW.*

Thank you

Julie Carroll





Next Meeting: March 12th, 2024

Time: 11:30

Masonic Center of Modesto

800 Rose Ave, Modesto

*COST: \$22 per person

*RSVP (209) 567-3399 or

ModestoRWF@gmail.com

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****RSVP REQUIRED!! NO LATER than the Saturday PRIOR!**

Upcoming

Dates/Events

March 5th – Primary Election

March 10th – Daylight savings

March 12th – Luncheon meeting

March 17th – St. Patrick's Day

March 24th – Palm Sunday

March 31st – Easter

You can pay for your membership
or your lunch on our website:
Modestorwf.com

Membership

Renewal =37

New=5

Associate =10



"If my people, who are called by my name,
will humble themselves and pray and seek my
face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will
hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin
and will heal their land" ~ 2 Chronicles 7:14 NV





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MARCH FEATURED SPEAKER:
JOSH WHITFIELD
CHIEF OF STAFF – CALIFORNIA STATE
ASSEMBLYMAN JUAN ALANIS



Joshua Whitfield is a retired United States Army Soldier. He served in Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom. He is a recipient of numerous military honors including the Bronze Star and Purple Heart. Josh was inducted into the Space Camp Hall of Fame in 2008 and was honored as a California Veteran of the Year in 2011 for his military service and his continued advocacy for Veterans issues; it is work he continues to this very day.

Josh has worked in politics for over a decade having worked on numerous National, State and Local campaigns across the country. He has served as an aide to several elected officials including the late Senator John McCain, Congressman Jeff Denham, and California Assemblymembers Kristin Olsen and Heath Flora. Currently, Josh serves as the Chief of Staff to California Assemblymember Juan Alanis in the 22nd District. He has also twice been elected as a member of the City Council in his hometown of Waterford, CA.

Josh is also a cancer survivor having beat late-stage melanoma in 2018. In 2015, he married his wife Kerry, a high school vice-principal and a 4-year NCAA softball player. He considers this the most significant achievement and moment in his life. Today, Josh and Kerry live with their three dogs in Mariposa, CA.





ST. PATRICK'S DAY

St. Patrick's Day is celebrated annually on March 17, the anniversary of his death in the fifth century. St. Patrick's Day 2023 will take place on Friday, March 17. The Irish have observed this day as a religious holiday for over 1,000 years. On St. Patrick's Day, which falls during the Christian season of Lent, Irish families would traditionally attend church in the morning and celebrate in the afternoon. Lenten prohibitions against the consumption of meat were waived and people would dance, drink and feast on the traditional meal of Irish bacon and cabbage.

Saint Patrick, who lived during the fifth century, is the patron saint of Ireland and its national apostle. Born in Roman Britain, he was kidnapped and brought to Ireland as a slave at 16. He later escaped, but returned to Ireland and was credited with bringing Christianity to its people.

In the centuries following Patrick's death (believed to have been on March 17, 461), the mythology surrounding his life became ever more ingrained in the Irish culture: Perhaps the most well-known legend of St. Patrick is that he explained the Holy Trinity (Father, Son and Holy Spirit) using the three leaves of a native Irish clover, the shamrock.



A VERY HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAY TO:



Steve Carroll

Justin Farkas

Linda Countryman

Lynelle Hains

Alice Davis

Melanie Labriola





MODESTO REPUBLICAN WOMEN FEDERATED

NO HOST MEET & GREET

****EACH PERSON PAYS FOR THEIR OWN FOOD & DRINK**

MARCH 26TH, 2024 | TIME: 5PM

**MARCELLA'S MEXICAN RESTAURANT
3507 TULLY RD, STE #10
MODESTO, CA**

****RSVP DEADLINE: MARCH 19TH, 2024!**

**To RSVP: Include your name, phone#, email, & number of guests attending, by calling: 209-567-3399 & leave a message, or email:*

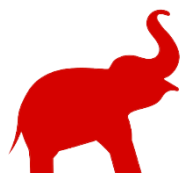
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MEN ARE MOST WELCOME TO ATTEND!

Time to celebrate membership and get to know each other. This is an opportunity to build community, share goals and future activities.

This is for new, not-so-new, and potential members.

Hope to see you at this event!





Member Corner: **WHAT DO YOU THINK?**

The responses from the February 2/13/24 Luncheon Meeting - Thank you for those who participated. I am positive all members will enjoy reading your responses, and I am sure many, if not all will agree with you/us.

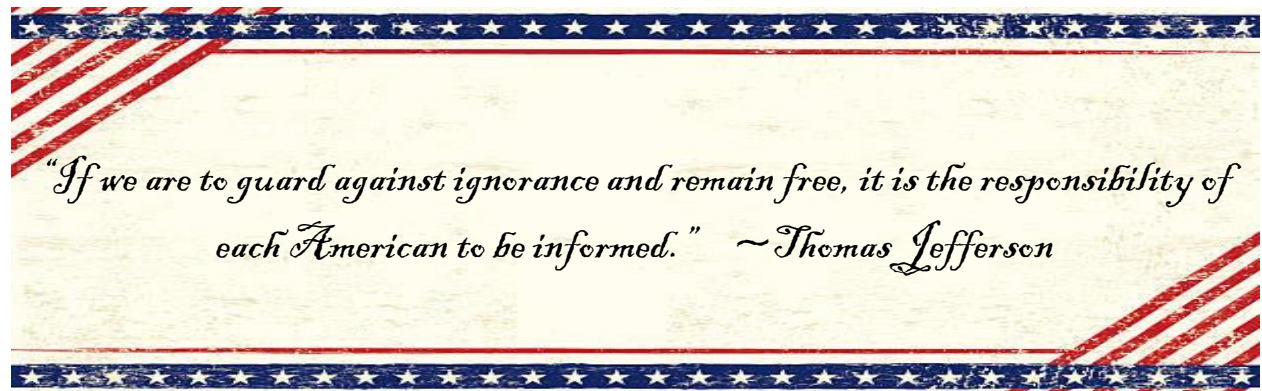
The Question: What do you expect from our elected officials/leaders?

Responses as follows.

- Pick up the phone, don't hang up, and talk about the issues! You work for us! Love America!
- Honesty, loyalty, knowledge of the Constitution and it's Amendments. Knowledge of the needs of his/her constituents, listen to them. Good moral values (role model). Good manners, polite, and professional behavior.
- To invite more famous speakers.
- Honesty and accountability.
- Honesty
- To put the safety of Americans and our children first. To make energy independent once again.
- Truthfulness, a devotion to their constituents, and love of America. I also expect a spine. I am tired of gelded men trying to please everyone. I want to know what you stand for and why. My advice to these lukewarm politicians? Grow a pair. I would love more transparency and less back door deals with the Democrats. I would also like to be stronger on the issues, like border control, stop compromising with the Democrats. More funding for the good programs and people and less for the criminals.

***Let's keep these conversations going!**

Linda Countryman





MODESTO REPUBLICAN WOMEN FEDERATED MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

MEMBERSHIP IS FOR ONE YEAR, FROM JANUARY TO JANUARY

(Please Print)

NAME: _____ PHONE #: _____

SPOUSE'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

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Type of Membership:

New: \$37.⁰⁰

Renewal: \$37.⁰⁰

Associate: \$25.⁰⁰

How do you prefer to receive your newsletter: E-Mail

For more information call or email MRWF at 209.567.3399 or ModestoRWF@gmail.com.

- ★ Please make checks payable to: Modesto Republican Women Federated (MRWF) and mail it to: **MRWF at P.O. Box 1111, Modesto CA 95350**
- ★ You do not have to attend meetings to be a member or associate
- ★ Your membership dues will help support and further the Republican Cause

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP IN REPUBLICAN WOMEN FEDERATED

Hear influential political and current event speakers ★ Participate in educational discussions ★ Work for the Republican Party ★ Meet candidates and work on their campaigns to help get them elected ★ Learn leadership skills ★ Become effective in influencing legislation ★ Develop new friendships with like-minded citizens ★ Find an avenue of involvement in the political process



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