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President's message,

To all members, associates, & friends,

What a total surprise we had at our October 8<sup>th</sup> meeting! We thank Congressman John Duarte for inviting House Speaker Mike Johnson to come & speak to us! It was amazing!! And a big "thank you" to CAGOP Vice Chair Corrin Rankin for being our guest speaker! We appreciate her explaining how we help by voting early – which saves campaigns & PACs money. She was very encouraging too.

Thank you to all who attended the October 22<sup>nd</sup> Meet & Greet at Marcella's. What a fun & informative evening with other like-minded Republicans! We added several new Members + 1 Associate. Thank you to all of you who invited guests to attend – you are why we are growing!!

**November 11<sup>th</sup> is Veterans Day.** Would I be willing to leave my family, home, and comforts to fight in battle, and risk my life for my country? Veterans do – putting service over self. Because of them, we enjoy our freedoms today in America. We are forever grateful for our veterans – our heroes - and we will never forget them. Please read Linda Countryman's excellent writing on page #4.

May God bless America

Julie Carroll





Next Meeting: November 12, 2024

Time: 11:30

Masonic Center of Modesto

800 Rose Ave , Modesto

\*COST: \$22 per person.

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**RSVP DEADLINE = November 8th!!**

YOU CAN PAY FOR YOUR LUNCH OR  
YOUR MEMBERSHIP ON OUR WEBSITE:

[Modestorwf.com](http://Modestorwf.com)

**UPCOMING DATES & EVENTS:**

November 5<sup>th</sup> - \* Election Day

November 11<sup>th</sup> - Veterans Day

November 12<sup>th</sup> - Luncheon Meeting

November 28<sup>th</sup> - Thanksgiving Day

**“So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be  
dismayed, for I am your God. I will  
strengthen you and help you; I will uphold  
you with my righteous right hand.”**

~Isaiah 41:10 NIV

Renewal = 80

New = 0

Associate = 11





## NOVEMBER FEATURED SPEAKER:

### REV. MIKE DOUGLASS



## The Mike Douglass Show - Weekdays 3p-5pm

Mike Douglass is the host of The Mike Douglass Show, Monday through Friday at 3-5 pm on PowerTalk 1360 AM KFIV.

Mike also serves as the President/CEO and co-founder of Advancing Vibrant Communities, a nonprofit ministry connecting volunteers with researched opportunities to serve people in dire need. He also serves as a community pastor and helps lead local prayer movements through Mission Greater Modesto.

His broad-based careers and experiential wisdom include various law enforcement assignments in Southern California, hazardous materials emergency services coordinator, and Assistant Chief Urban Search and Rescue and Deputy Chief Administration for the Fire and Rescue Division of the State of California Governor's Office of Emergency Services.

Douglass has been a frequent guest host on local talk radio for many years. His first radio appearance occurred at age 7, followed by nearly six decades in the entertainment industry, including voice-overs for animated series, and educational and government production narrations. Throughout the years, Douglass has also entertained audiences as an illusionist and ventriloquist, and as a well-known Master of Ceremonies for local events. Audiences have also heard him play French Horn and Trumpet in local congregations.

Douglass holds his Bachelor of Arts in Broadcast Journalism from the University of Southern California, specializing in radio and television news and documentary production, and earned his Master's and did his Doctoral studies through Trinity College and Theological Seminary in Indiana.





## ***Veteran's Day*** ***November 11<sup>th</sup>***

Originally called "Armistice Day", marked the anniversary of the end of WWI which formally concluded at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour, 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month in 1918. The holiday was renamed "Veteran's Day in 1954, following WWII to celebrate and honor not just those who served during WWI, but all veterans, both living and deceased who have served in the United States Armed Forces.

**Please take the time to acknowledge and honor veterans on Veteran's Day.** When we honor all our veteran's we are recognizing their courage, dedication, loyalty, and their sacrifices for this country. In this way we show gratitude and respect for their commitment for the security we experience, protecting our freedoms and the values of this nation. They are the protectors of this nation. Their willingness to serve, their selflessness, their bravery in the face of uncertainty and conflict should be an example for us to follow, and deeply valued.

All of us should be concerned about how our veterans are treated. The Government, our leaders and the citizens of this country need to make sure they have the benefits and medical care that they have earned and are entitled to.

"This country has not seen and probably will never know the true level of sacrifice of our veterans."

Quote by: Thomas M. Smith

"Honoring the sacrifices many have made for our country in the name of freedom and democracy is the very foundation of Veteran's Day." Quote by: Charles Rangel

A bit of trivia: Since the establishment of the United States military in 1775 over 41 million men and women have served in the United Armed Forces.

Article contributed by Linda Countryman – MRWF Recording Secretary and CFRW Americanism Chair.

*"Where liberty  
dwells, there is  
my country."*

—  
BENJAMIN FRANKLIN



## Thanksgiving November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Thanksgiving is a national holiday in the United States, which is celebrated on the fourth Thursday of November each year. It is a day for giving thanks for the blessings of the harvest, the preceding year, and holds deep historical and cultural significance in American Society.

Thanksgiving is an opportunity to reflect on the things you are grateful for and to express that gratitude to others. Take time to personally tell people why you are thankful for them such as for their love and support, or how they had a positive impact on your life. The best way to express thankfulness is simply by being present and spending meaningful time with the people you love.

Whether through words, actions, or shared moments, Thanksgiving is all about appreciation of life and the people who enrich it and make a difference in our lives.

"I love Thanksgiving because it's a holiday that is centered around food and family." - Quote by Marcus Samuelsson (AMEN!!)

- i. Gratitude Toast: To all my fellow Modesto Republican Women Federated members. Thank you for your friendship, support and being part of this community of amazing women. On Thanksgiving, enjoy the people you love and eat like you will not get this meal again for an entire year...Which means too much!
- ii. Article by Linda Countryman
- iii. MRWF Recording Secretary and CFRW Americanism Chair.



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**NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY:**  
**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**  
***BETH BRACE!***





# MODESTO REPUBLICAN WOMEN FEDERATED MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

MEMBERSHIP IS FOR ONE YEAR, FROM JANUARY TO JANUARY

(Please Print)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

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Type of Membership:

New: \$37.<sup>00</sup>

Renewal: \$37.<sup>00</sup>

Associate: \$25.<sup>00</sup>

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](mailto: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-



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