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President's message,

To all members, associates, & friends,

A huge "Thank You" to Assemblyman Juan Alanis, for swearing in our new Board of Directors for 2025! And "Thank You" to Justin Farkas, Field Representative for Assemblyman Juan Alanis, who gave us a very informative update regarding election outcomes & Assemblyman Alanis' future goals.

****IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT! Beginning in January 2025, the luncheon cost will increase to: \$25 if paid by cash or check; and \$26 if paid by credit card in person, or on our website: Modestorwf.com**

Thank you to all of you who have renewed your membership! If you have not renewed, please do so right away! Deadline is February 28th, 2025. NFRW must receive dues by March 1st, 2025, or member is dropped from membership and loses all member privileges.

We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting on January 14th, 2025!

Together, as strong & vital Republican women, we can educate & inspire women to exercise their political strength to promote conservative values and fight for our God given freedoms!

We wish you a very Happy New Year 2025!

Thank you,

Julie Carroll



RSVP Deadline =

JANUARY 10TH!!

PRICE
ALERT

Next Meeting: January 14th, 2025

Time: 11:30

Masonic Center of Modesto

800 Rose Ave, Modesto

***COST: \$25 per person!!**

*RSVP (209) 567-3399 or

ModestoRWF@gmail.com

Board of Directors:

President: Julie Carroll

1st Vice President: Linda Countryman

2nd Vice President: Mary Mount

Secretary: Mary Ann Uyeno

Treasurer: Rachel Ludewig

UPCOMING DATES & EVENTS:

January 1st – New Years Day

January 14th – Luncheon Meeting

January 20th – Inauguration Day

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

Modestorwf.com

“What then shall we say in response to these things?

If God is for us, who can be against us?”

~Romans 8:31 NIV

Membership

Renewal =17

New=11

Associate =5

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MODESTO REPUBLICAN WOMEN FEDERATED
2025 BOARD OF DIRECTORS!**



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(out of camera range - Lydia Kanno stood in for:

Recording Secretary: Mary Ann Uyeno)

Sworn in by California District 22 Assemblyman Juan Alanis

December 10th, 2024



JANUARY

FEATURED SPEAKER:

HOWARD JARVIS TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION
LEGISLATIVE ANALYST:



SCOTT KAUFMAN

Scott Kaufman is the Legislative Director for the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association, California's leading taxpayer organization. He previously served as the Education and Workforce Development Task Force director at the American Legislative Exchange Council and opinion editor for the Southern California News Group (which includes the Orange County Register, Los Angeles Daily News, the Riverside Press-Enterprise and eight other newspapers). Scott is a fifth-generation Californian and baseball purist. He thinks there should be a constitutional amendment banning the designated hitter.



RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

YES! It's time to RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

2 OPTIONS:

a) You can pay in person at our meetings, held the 2nd Tuesday of each month. OR,

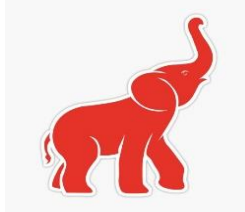
b) you can pay on our website: Modestorwf.com
click on "membership"

*Invite your friends, family & neighbors to join us!

*THANK YOU for your help to grow our membership. Together, we can motivate & educate women to get strong Republican candidates elected into office!

****Renewal deadline is February 28th 2025, or you will lose membership!!**

EDUCATE * ENGAGE * ELECT



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

KAYE REIFF

&

JOANNE HOLMAN





January 2025

Noteworthy dates to remember:

- 1/1 - New Year's Day (Federal holiday)
- 1/6 - Three Kings Day
- 1/20 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (Federal Holiday)
- 1/20 - Inauguration Day
- 1/27 - International Holocaust Remembrance Day

For a bit of fun check out parade.com for January's list of things that are meant to make us aware, celebrate, honor, or are observed during the month of January. You will be surprised! A couple of my favorites are on 1/3, Fruitcake Toss Day and Women Rock! Day.

January is when we typically reflect on the past year and make resolutions for the future. It's about beginnings and transitions.

With that in mind, a short reflection on the MRWF year 2024. We saw membership growth, we were provided with current and much needed information from guest speakers, the CFRW and the NFRW. We had a wonderful Ronald Reagan event with a guest speaker, Jason Chaffetz, which I might add Mary Anne Uyeno is still swooning over. Many of our members worked tirelessly to advocate for policy and helping with Republican candidates in their campaigns for elected office. It was a momentous year in general for the Republican Party. As always in a journey there are lessons learned and challenges to acknowledge and grow from. Let us celebrate our successes that remind us of our strengths. Together as a party it was year of commitment, determination and resilience to the values that unite us. We were blessed to have the dedicated current CFRW president Lydia Kanno, and our current MWRW President, Julie Carroll lead us throughout the year of 2024.

The new year brings opportunities to continue to expand our reach and deepen our impact. In 2025 let us continue to build on our accomplishments and goals from 2024.

The MWRW Board of Directors extend heartfelt gratitude to every member for their collective efforts, energy, hard work, and support in 2024. Let us celebrate our wins, navigate challenges, act with purpose, courage, and grace. Please recommit to supporting one another and working together for meaningful change. Everyday is a chance to use your/our power to make 2025 even better.

Written on behalf of the Modesto Republican Women Federated Board of Directors.
Linda Countryman, 1st VP and Americanism chair for CFRW.



Submitted by Amy Russell, Modesto RWF Legislative committee chair

The 2025-2026 Budget California's Fiscal Outlook



Forecast Multiyear State Budget Deficit Overview of the Legal Analyst Office - "Annual Fiscal Outlook"

In anticipation of the January 10 release of the Governor's 2025-2026 proposed budget.

The Fiscal Outlook's purpose is to project a baseline estimate of the budget before new policies or economic forecasts from the Governor. It identifies the budget's size and direction and gives the legislature the fiscal context of 2025-2026.

Anticipated Deficits

2025-2026: 2 billion dollars

2026-2027: 20 billion dollars

2027-2028 27 billion dollars

2028-2029 29 billion dollars



current spending is at approximately 3.5%

***Remember that projected budgets are generally in deficit and corrected before the budget year.**

Revenue is slightly up due to an uptake in the stock market, which increased upper taxpayer taxes. However, this is not an indicator of the economy improving.

State spending has accelerated beyond budget expectations but will not lead to a budgetary crisis for 2025-2026.

Future spending is expected at 6%, with revenue growth expected at 4%.





OPPORTUNITIES TO BE INVOLVED!!

OPEN COMMITTEE CHAIR POSITIONS:

Bylaws

Historian

Literacy & Education (MELP)

Achievement Awards

Membership

Campaign & Elections

Election Integrity

At our January 14th meeting:

Look on your table for
Information sheets
about these open
Committee positions!





California
Federation



Republican
Women

Good
to Know!

Relationship to Republican Party

The Federation's Relationship to the Republican Party



While the functions of each are distinct, the National Federation of Republican Women is an official associate of the Republican National Committee. While not under the party's control the NFRW cooperates with and aids the Republican Party. The National Federation of Republican Women is a national grassroots political organization composed of approximately 2,000 Clubs in 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands and is comprised of approximately 50,000 members.

While officially an affiliate of the Republican National Committee, the NFRW is self-supporting. Approximately 1/3 of NFRW's operating budget comes from membership dues and club service charges. Another 2/3 comes from major donor programs such as the Capitol Regents, the Regents and the Federation Trust.

NFRW concentrates its efforts in the areas of education, communication, legislative action, candidate recruitment, campaigning and fundraising for NFRW programs and events. NFRW and CFRW do not directly form party policy. However, through their educational programs, the Federation does exert influence on Republican legislators and party officials, local, State and National.





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: _____

E-MAIL: _____

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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