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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



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Merry Christmas to all Members, Associates, and Friends!

Yes, Prop 50 passed. But now we need to move forward and focus on 2 things: getting MORE Republicans to VOTE, and focus on the California Voter ID initiative, which will not only require a government issued ID for inperson voting, or providing the last four digits of a government ID for voting by mail. Election officials would be required to verify that only eligible individuals are registered to vote and receive ballots. Citizenship must be verified. Please sign the petition! Copies will be available at our

Our December meeting is going to be a great time! We can dress in our fun and festive holiday garb and bid on bake sale items. You can choose to be in the Ugly Sweater Contest. Bring a new pair of pajamas for children, and last chance for the Toys for Tots collection.... All the while enjoying holiday music while we meet and mingle. And of course, we look forward to our always fabulous lunch!

As we near the end of 2025, the Modesto RWF Board of Directors is thankful to all members and associates for your involvement, support, and generosity for the past year. You are an inspiration to us! Enjoy a very Merry Christmas and a Happy Hanukah!

May God bless America ~ Julie Carroll

December 9th program meeting.

STANDING COMMITTEES

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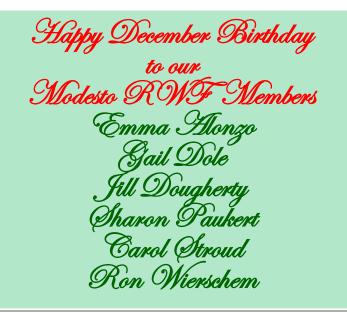
Membership Growth Mary Mount

> Ways & Means Vicki Godkin

SAVE THESE DATES PLAN AHEAD - MARK YOUR CALENDAR! All General Meetings: Check-in 11:30am Adjourn 1:30pm

Modesto RWF Board of Director's December 2 10:00 a.m. Meeting December 9 Modesto RWF Program Meeting A Christmas Luncheon, 11:30 a.m. Holiday Music, Bake Sale, and Ugly Sweater Contest! December 9 Bring a homemade goodie for the Bake Sale Silent Auction..... Yum!! 11:30 a.m. December 9 Bring **new** children's pajamas in any size and show a child we care! 11:30 December 23 Last day to get in on PRIZE DRAWING for Membership Renewal for January Meeting (see page 3) December 25 Christmas Dav! January 1 New Years' Day Modesto RWF Board of Director's January 6 10:00 a.m. **Zoom Meeting** January 13 **Modesto RWF Program Meeting**

Bring a pair of new pajamas and give a child the gift of warmth and comfort this season!
All sizes are needed from a 0 infants to a Large for the December 9th older kids!



NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY, December 9, 2025

MRWF



Wear your favorite holiday outfit!

Homemade Holiday Bake Sale

Ugly Sweater Contest

Christmas Music

Toys for Tots Collection

Drawing for Membership Renewal Contest

Special Presentation

Children's Pajama Collection

*** MASONIC CENTER ***

800 Rose Avenue Modesto California

11:30 a.m.—Check In 12:00 p.m.—Call to Order

*** Cost of Program: ***
\$25 cash
\$26 credit card

Must RSVP by Tuesday, December 2 Lunches are pre-ordered

Call Voicemail at 209.567.3399 OR - Purchase for \$26 on website at modestorwf.com

A \$25 check, payable to Modesto RWF, can be sent to our new mailing address!

Modesto RWF P.O. Box 148 - Salida CA 95368

Program Includes:

Attendance at Meeting Special Christmas Activities Delicious Lunch

(includes beverages, entrée, and dessert, plus taxes and Gratuity!)

Program cost is the same with, or without lunch



BENEFITS TO JOIN OR RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP EARLY!

Join or renew before December 23rd, and have your name entered into a prize drawing at our January Program

FOLLOW THE MONEY...YOUR ANNUAL DUES AT WORK

Have you ever wondered where your annual dues money goes? Republican Women Federated Clubs really know how to s-t-r-e-t-c-h a dollar and your annual dues go a lot farther than you may realize

Your annual dues are disbursed as follows:

\$20.00 is forwarded to the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW) for your membership in the largest volunteer political women's organization in the United States.

\$7.00 is allocated to the General Account of the California Federation of Republican Women (CFRW), where you join the largest Republican Women organization in the State and the 2nd larges in the Country!

\$10.00 remains for Modesto RWF's use to help fund the many activities of our Club:

- Support our NFRW scholarship programs
- Support publicity efforts to share our message
- Provide additional support for our Club to be a CFRW Ambassador
- Contribute toward registration for our club President to attend Federated conferences & conventions
- Lunch honoraria for monthly speakers
- Provide printing and postage for our outreach efforts to invite new members to join us

We need <u>you</u> to be part of the Federation team that will help enlighten others about our Republican values. And we need each of you to recruit your sister Republicans so that our message goes out to an ever-broadening audience!

Please fill in the following information and enclose with your check made <u>payable to Modesto RWF.</u>

Mail to: MRWF * P.O. Box 148 * Salida, CA 95368

Print Name:	E-mail:		
[] I am registered as Republican	[We do not share your email outside of Republican Women Federated!		
Spouse's Name	Birth Month (for acknowledgement in newsletter)		
Address:	City	_Zip:	Phone:
[] Renewal \$37 cash/check [] New (\$39 credit card) [] +Donation Thank you	(\$39 credit card)	[_] Asso	ociate* \$25 cash/check (\$27 credit card)
*Associate women: please note the name of t	the Federated club to which you a	are paying yo	our regular membership
dues:).		

*Associate men: Republican Gentlemen are welcome to attend our General Meetings, and join us in a supporting role as associates!

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

Questions? Call 209.567.3399 or email ModestoRWF@gmail.com



Dear Reader,

As we reach the end of another year, it's a perfect time to pause and reflect on everything our club has experienced and accomplished. This year has been filled with growth, both as individuals and as a club. We've welcomed new members, strengthened existing bonds, and worked together to support our community and the Republican Party. Each event, meeting, and project... big or small, helped shape who we are as a club. We celebrated wins, learned from setbacks, and discovered new talents within our group.

Our successes this year did not happen by accident, but came from dedication of our members, the commitment of our leaders, and the enthusiasm that each person brought to our shared mission. Whether you planned an event, showed up consistently, or supported from behind the scenes... your participation had an impact!

As we look forward to the year ahead, we do so with gratitude for the memories we've made and excitement for the possibilities still to come. Let's carry forward with momentum, lessons, friendships that we have built, and continue striving to make our club even more vibrant and meaningful.

Thank you for being part of our club. Here's to another year of growth, connection, and shared purpose.

Best wishes for happy and healthy holidays!

~ Linda Countryman - 1st VP MRWF



CONGRATULATIONS

Julie Carroll
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These amazing women have renewed or joined our MRWF club and support the statewide goal of maximizing re-

newals in November and December to help grow the membership. *All 31 are now entered in a drawing to win a prize at our December meeting.* Thank you, ladies!

For a second chance to win a prize, be sure to fill out a membership form and send with payment to our club address. OR, you can renew in person at our December 9th meeting.





Modesto RWF 2025 Veteran's Day Program Highlights



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c/o Julie Carroll, President P.O. Box 148 Salida, CA 95368

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