### PACHYDERM PARTY LINE Southern Monterey County Republican Women Federated P.O. Box 221, King City, CA 93930 President-Kathy Forgnone (katforg1@icloud.com) Newsletter Editor - Jeane Errea Mills (jlerrea@aol.com) Membership Chair-Dorothy Errea (djerrea@aol.com) California Federation of Republican Women www.cafrw.org 18 & 19<sup>th</sup> Congressional Districts 29 & 30th Assembly District 17th State Senatorial District https://www.facebook.com/groups/501005353617619 December 2024 Volume 24 Issue 12 DECEMBER NEWSLETTER **December General Membership Meeting** Tuesday, December 3, 2024 at 11:00 am Music starts at 11:30am Pozzi's Stampede 207 Broadway St, King City Steak Sandwich \$25 includes non-alcoholic drink, tax and tip **RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST!!!** Respond to Karen Leonhard phone # (831) 385-1333 by November 29<sup>th</sup>. Happy New Year! If you can't come to the meeting the day of PLEASE CALL OR TEXT Jeane at 594-2127.

NOTE DATE, LOCATION, TIME AND PRICE!

DECEMBER MEETING

Time to get out that Christmas finery and dress up for our annual Christmas Party. This year it will be at Pozzi's Stampede and once again Los Vaqueros Hunting Club Traveling Band will entertain us. Be sure to arrive at 11:00 am so you can check in and be seated by 11:30 am when the music begins. Members and guests are asked to bring an unwrapped gift or toy for a child between the age of 7 and

14, which will be donated to Loaves and Fishes Food Distribution.

## LOS VAQUEROS HUNTING CLUB TRAVELING BAND

Rich Casey and Roger Hill came up with the idea of the Los Vaqueros Hunting Club Traveling Band while sitting around the campfire one evening. Randy and Terry Handley soon joined the group and it has been a South County attraction



for over 20 years. The guitars and singing will have you tapping your feet, laughing and singing along all for a good cause. The group donates their stipends and talent to local community endeavors.

## BOARD MEETING

The board meeting is at 11:00 am on Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 1<sup>st</sup> Capital Bank. If you would like to attend, please contact Kathy Forgnone at katforg1@icloud.com.

## AMERICANISM

We should all be thankful that we live in America, where we have freedoms, and yes we will make America GREAT again.

# View From The Edge Of The Crowd by Lee Schell

We are at the beginning of one of the most important chapters of our nation's history. Whether it was a miracle or some other Divine intervention, Donald J. Trump has survived two assassination attempts and the weaponization of the



Department of Justice and at least two state court systems, to make the greatest political comeback in the history of American politics. There were counties that went for

Trump that haven't voted *red* in decades. One Texas border county hasn't voted for a Republican since 1896! I LOVED the look on Jake Tapper's face, election night, when he found out that Kamala Harris underperformed in literally every county that had voted for Biden in 2020. The legacy media were not only shocked at Trumps runaway victory but some anchors actually choked up and were in tears.

There is so much to talk about and so little space in which to do it but suffice it to say that Democrats found out that most Americans value their safety and security and want their hard earned dollars to go further at the grocery store and the gas pump. They were sick and tired of the Biden/Harris woke bunch and regardless of color or ethnic background, Trump drew new voters from everywhere. He prevailed in all the so-called battleground states and when Pennsylvania went *red* it was pretty much all over. It's been over 20-years since a presidential



candidate has won both the Electoral College *and* the popular vote and Trump did it. You can't believe the news media...you can't believe the polls...it's all propaganda controlled by the *left*. The only accurate predictions of Trump's victory came from Polymarket.com, which said the president-elect would win by a landslide and boy were they right. A week after Trump's win, the FBI raided the home of Polymarket's Chief Executive, Shayne Coplan, and seized all of his electronic devices. What's that all about? The Feds better give that stuff back before January 21st because when Trump gets back into the White House there's going to be a "new sheriff in town" and big changes will be felt at the FBI and all of those other alphabet agencies.



different outcome last election night.

A couple of days after the election results were coming together and the magnitude of Trump's triumph at the polls was being realized, I started to see that all of my friends and associates had these big grins on their faces. Everybody was HAPPY. Some were even giddy with excitement. When do you remember that ever happening in a major political year? Maybe when Reagan was elected. Things really didn't start turning around until Laura Trump ousted RNC chairwoman Ronna McDaniel and started pushing back against Democrat cheating. Establishment Republicans were holding the party back and if something hadn't been done to get new blood in the RNC we might have seen a

Donald Trump needs the team he wants to make the changes he has planned. The senate has new leadership. Let's hope they give the incoming Commander In Chief the command staff he needs to finally clean house...drain the swamp...and get this country headed in the *right* direction. RFK Jr. will completely revamp our unresponsive health care system and all the new folks, including Elon Musk are going to route out the deep staters and get people working for the better good of the American People. I can't wait for the fur to fly!

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Christmas came early, didn't it! The attacks from the left have been constant and nasty as they dig up dirt on every Trump administration pick. I must give my opinion that 2020 was NOT the right time for Trump. We asked why, and is God listening to our prayers? Well I truly think he was listening, as NOW IS THE RIGHT TIME.

With the holidays coming up, please remember that those family members who have left wing preferences, are hurting and they have been lied to. We were just as upset since 2020, so rise above it, hold your tongue, love them and eat up! A favorite saying applies over the holidays especially to diverse families: *"We may not have it all together, but together we have it all!" Kathy Forgnone* 

#### IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

The SMCRWF probably had one of the most distinguished speakers, in a long time at our November 12<sup>th</sup> meeting at the Cork and Plough. The Honorable Dean Flippo, Monterey County District Attorney (retired after 30 years). Mr. Flippo provided a riveting and comprehensive overview of the November 5<sup>th</sup> election results. His perspective was right on as to why the "Red Wave" finally hit. Mr. Flippo emphasized the changes from blue to red nationally and in counties though out California, providing a good reason not to "Cut and Run" from the most beautiful state in America.



#### **SUNSHINE**

Cheryl Harrison will send a card to any of our members who are feeling under the weather or needing a bit of cheer. Give her a call at (831) 320-3256.

#### SECOND VICE PRESEDENT/WAYS AND MEANS

If you plan to bring a toy to our December meeting, we are in need of toys for both boys and girls, ages 7years and older. One idea for the older kids might be gift card. If you do a bring gift card, please write the amount on the card.

We still have rings for sale, they are \$5 each and all are size 7. Several were sold at our last meeting, and they told me they like to buy them so that when they travel, they are not afraid of losing them.

Also, I have the flag lapel pins for \$1 each.

Just a reminder to mark you calendars for our next big fundraiser – the Scholarship salad bar luncheon-it is scheduled for Friday, April 25, 2025

#### **RECYCLING WITH SANDY**

We have gifted \$200 to Loaves and Fishes for gifts and \$100 for Wreaths Across America wreaths.

REAGAN LIBRARY EVENTS www.reaganfoundation.org

- Dec. 4 Conversation & book signing with Peggy Noonan 6pm
- Dec. 7 Reagan National Defense Forum 7:45am
- Dec. 15 Holiday Dinner and Tour 5:30pm-8:30pm
- Dec. 19 Holiday Lunch and Tour 12:30pm-1:30pm
- Dec 29 Hanukkah Celebration, Menorah Lighting 4-5:30pm
- Dec. 31 New Year's Eve Celebration 8:30pm-lam

#### KING CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEWS

The 25<sup>th</sup> annual Lighted Christmas Parade will be held on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. This year the theme is "Star Spangled Christmas". Call the Chamber office at (831) 385-3814 for entry form and information.

#### WREATHS PREP & CEREMONY AT KING CITY CEMETERY - Please mark your calendar...

<u>FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:00</u> – SMCRWF members and associate members along with your family members are asked join the youth volunteers who help us each year to place small flags on the graves of Veterans interred at the King City Cemetery.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup> - We need members and those who will place a wreath in tribute to each branch of the armed forces, to arrive at 9:00 a.m. Fresh Coffee and bakery items will be there for you. The ceremony will begin promptly at 10:00 a.m. Should you have any questions, please call Kathy Imamura at (408) 802-4437. Thank you Kathy & Sandy for all you do.

#### MEMBERSHIP 2025

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Associate Renewals 8 New TOTAL 8 WREATHS *across* AMERICA LIVE \* WITH \* PURPOSE

Karen Leonhard has a new email: karenjleonhard@gmail.com

Dian Braga new address is: Diane Braga 13511 N. Applegate Road Grants Pass. OR 97527

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP 2025 to date...20

We have had a good start with paid memberships for 2025. Dues renewal envelopes will be available at the December meeting for your convenience. If you can't attend the December meeting, a dues payment envelope will be mailed to you. As always, new members are welcomed. Our meetings are fun and very informative, so bring your friends and family. We appreciate your membership even if you can't be active. We will always keep you inform through our newsletter.

Also, members who pay dues before January 1<sup>st</sup> will be eligible for a drawing to win a free lunch.

Thanks,

Dorothy Errea, Membership Chairman

#### BIRTHDAYS

Sharon Hornlein – Dec 2 Rosie Riva – Dec 2 Kristina Nicolson – Dec 4 Ruth Lopes – Dec 5 Kenda Chaves – Dec 6 Jon Gerard – Dec 12 Donna Rappaport – Dec 12 Dawn Gerard – Dec 13



#### NEWS OF OUR NEIGHBORING CLUBS

#### MONTEREY PENINSULA RWF

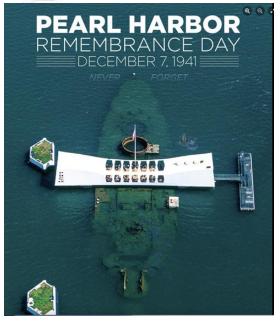
Thursday, December 12, 11:30am, Palo Corona Regional Park, Carmel Valley Call (831) 624-5433 for RSVP and information.

#### PASO ROBLES RWF

Monday, December 9, Local vendors and bottomless Mimosas to ring in the holiday season! Quail Run Clubhouse, 1400 Quail Run Ave. Paso Robles Call (805) 217-5323 for RSVP and information

#### FLAG DAY

December 7 (fixed) (half-staff) Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day December 20 (fixed) Space Force Birthday December 25 (fixed) Christmas Day January 1 (fixed) New Year's Day



#### Southern Monterey County Republican Women Federated General Meeting Cork & Plough, King City November 12, 2024

The meeting was called to order at noon by President Kathy Forgnone. Sandy Casion led us in Prayer then asked all who have served in the military to step forward. Sandy then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. "God Bless the USA" by Lee Greenwood was played. Guests were introduced: Retired Monterey County DA Dean Flippo, Constance Denning President of Monterey Peninsula RWF, said their meeting speaker is from Epoch Times Nan Su, Liz Silva Gonzales City Council Member, Lourdes Villarreal So.Mo.Co Jt. Union High School District Board Member, Jackie Loredo guest of Ruth Lopes, Darren Nutt News Director of KRKC. President Kathy thanked Sandy for the decorations & sparkling cider to toast to 47<sup>th</sup> President elect Donald Trump & Jesse for pumpkin pie, Lee Schell & Lu MacIntyer for microphone & Dave Lawson for Scheid wine. President Kathy introduced our speaker retired Monterey County DA Dean Flippo who talked about the recent election. **Minutes** of the October were approved as sent. There was no correspondence. President's Report Kathy reminded all that a reservation made is a reservation paid. The cost of lunch is now \$25. 1<sup>st</sup> VP Report for Kaeda, Kathy reported December will be at Pozzi's Stampede starting at 11 a.m. entertainment by Los Vaqueros Hunting Club Traveling Band. January speaker uncommitted, February will be the State of the City by King City Mayor Mike LeBarre & Greenfield Mayor Bob White. **2<sup>nd</sup> VP Repor**t Sharon reported we have flag pins for \$1 & rings for \$5. We can donate toys, mainly need items for 7 year olds and older, gift cards, listing amount are good. Our salad bar luncheon is Friday, April 25, 2025. Treasurer's Report: Beginning balance \$7,198.52, income \$800, expenses \$1,163.80, ending balance \$6,894.72, filed for review, attached. Recycle Sandy reported we are starting over, have \$5.35, van has room for recycles. Club donated from recycle \$200 to Loaves & Fishes, \$100 to wreaths. Membership Dorothy reported we have 4 renewals for 2025 & 1 new member Lourdes Villarreal. We have 63 Regular members and 38 Associates for a total of 101 for 2024. You will be eligible for drawing for free lunch if renewed by end of year. Dues \$35 Regular Member & \$10 Associates & Men, envelopes at December meeting. Caring for America-Wreaths Kathy I. stated don't forget thank you cards for Care & Comfort. We need help on Friday December 13<sup>th</sup> & December 14<sup>th</sup>; also need more wreath donations at \$17 each and cookie donations. Sunshine Mike Oliveira will be needing transportation. Newsletter information due by November 15 **Meeting Calendar** 

Paso Robles RWF December meeting 805-217-5323

Monterey Peninsula RWF luncheon 624-5433

MCRP District 3 call 260-9658

November 26 SMCRWF board meeting 11 a.m. 1<sup>st</sup> Capital Bank

December 3 SMCRWF Christmas Party 11 a.m. Pozzi's Stampede

Opportunity Drawing won by Eva Cabrera, other winners were Dorothy & Ruth Lopes, free lunch won by Eva Cabrera.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Barba Oetting, Recording Secretary Pro Tem Approved\_\_\_\_\_

Veterans at the meeting: Lee Schell Dean Flippo Dave Lawson Sandy Casion





# 25th Annual Lighted Christmas Parade "Star Spangled Christmas"



Drawing by Tulsa Willoughby Bitterwater-Tully School

Parade starts at Mildred, down Broadway to Town Square, rain or shine. Celebrate at Town Square with Santa following the parade

# December 6, 2024 @ 6:00 pm

For more parade entry information contact: The King City Chamber 200 Broadway, Suite 40, King City, CA 93930 www.kingcitychamber.com or call (831) 385-3814



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1 mcClure Way, Seaside ADVANCE PAYMENT REQUIRED

. \$40 per Guest \$35 per Member PURCHASE TICKETS AT www.montereybayconservatives.org DEADLINE TO REGISTER – Nov. 29

For more info or to RSVP, contact us @ montereybayconservatives@gmail.com or 831-277-6227

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# CHRISTMAS DINNFR Grower's Pub 227 Monterey Street Salinas, CA 93901

5:00 PM Cocktails **16** Monday 6:00 PM Dinner **16** December 2024

\$80.00 per person \$150.00 per couple

RSVP THE MCRP OFFICE: 831-324-0617

#### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name		Birthday (Mo/Day)	
Address			
Phone		E-Mail	
Active Member /Year \$35		Associate Member /Year \$10	
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