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**11:30 a.m.**

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**FEATURING GUEST SPEAKER:**



**PETER KUO**  
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**Cost: \$28.00 (includes lunch)**

*All meals are accompanied by a soft beverage; salads include a starter soup; sandwiches & hot meals include a starter salad. All taxes & gratuities are also included!*

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 or

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**RSVP must be received by Monday, March 18th!**  
**Call Grace at 408-499-1695**

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***Lunches are pre-ordered; a reservation made is a reservation paid!***

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

President Trump needs our help!

A good Republican friend of mine who lives in Watsonville has vowed no way, no how, never to vote for Trump again. He complains of the tweets, the name-calling, the ill-advised remarks but, unfortunately, I think it's more than that. I think he's bought the opposition's arguments that we don't need a wall! He told me in no uncertain terms "a wall is a waste of time and money" - you know the script. "Most illegal drugs come through ports of entry."

How do they know how much comes in through tunnels or across the vast expanses that have little or no barriers and that are never detected? If, in fact, most are coming through the ports of entry, why don't they put the National Guard on duty to search and discover? The old adage works here - if you repeat an untruth often enough it becomes a truth. The President needs help here from fellow Republicans; he needs us to weigh in and correct so many of the misrepresentations that are going on constantly.

It is sad so many "never Trumpers" are Republican and want him to fail. But his campaign cannot wait for the general election to start fighting back. Too many people like my friend are being brain-washed. The most telling argument regarding securing the border is the financial costs associated in caring for more and more undocumented people coming into our country illegally in a steady stream (at times a river).

Our member **Sue Moley** offered a very practical suggestion we can all pursue. We can all make telephone calls to our elected officials both here in California and nation-wide. This newsletter has some phone numbers with which to start. We had 56 members in our club last year. If each one of us called 2 (at least) people a week X 52 weeks that is 112 a week - 5824 a year! I will work on getting you a list of phone numbers for those sitting on the sidelines and not helping our President in this greatest threat to our sovereign nation.

- *Mayme Abbott*

**ONE PERSON  
CAN MAKE A  
DIFFERENCE,  
AND EVERYONE  
SHOULD TRY**  
- JOHN F. KENNEDY -

## MEET OUR SPEAKER

**PETER KUO**  
**NEWLY-ELECTED**  
**CALIFORNIA**  
**GOP VICE CHAIR!**



Born in Taiwan in 1968, Peter Kuo and his mother & father immigrated to San Jose in 1982 with nothing but the clothes on their backs, a few dollars, a violin and the knowledge that if they worked hard, they too could achieve the American Dream. After 24 years, in 2005, at the Campbell Community Center, Peter officially became a United States Citizen.

As Peter tells it, "I am a small business owner, a husband and the father to three beautiful children. I am an immigrant, I AM an American and I AM a PROUD California Republican. I believe in strong conservative principles and I'm a team player. I recognize that now is a pivotal moment. We must unite behind the principles that make our party strong. This is what will draw people to join us."

Owner of the Peter Kuo Insurance Agency, Peter has served on both the Alameda county and Santa Clara Country Central Committees, the board of SPARC (Bay Area chapter of the CA Congress of Republicans). He has served the community as a member of Rotary International and a volunteer with the American Cancer Society.

In politics, Peter has served as Campaign director in 4 counties for Donald J. Trump in 2016, was the CA Asian American Coalition Chair for Ted Cruz in 2015, run for Congress in 2016 and the CA Senate in 2014.

Peter holds an Aviation Operations Degree from San Jose State University. He enjoys recreational flying, tennis, travel and spending time with his family.

**We congratulate Peter on his election to CA GOP Vice Chair. He will be a strong, positive force for uniting Republicans in California!**

**RESERVE EARLY - AND BRING A FRIEND!**

**"One of the penalties of refusing to participate in politics is that you end up being governed by your inferiors." - Plato**

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR OUR MEMBERS!

### “INFORMED – INVOLVED – IMPACTFUL!”

This is the theme set by our 2018-2019 CFRW Northern Division President for this term. If you are a member of West Valley RWF, are reading our newsletters and attending our meetings, you are already “Informed”! Many of you are also taking the initiative to go onto cfrwnd.org, cfrw.org or nfrw.org to keep up with news and action alerts.

But if we are to re-elect President Trump in 2020 and help turn California around, then you need to know that NOW is the time to become “Involved” so that we can be “Impactful”! Luckily, we have our own **Sue Moley** and **Julie Eckroat** making it almost too easy for us to begin, and we’ll begin with CA.

At our meeting on March 21st, Sue & Julie will bring us 3.5 x 5” note papers for writing to Governor Newsom. Suggested topics might include:

- Our state suing the Feds over sanctuary cities, halting illegal immigration, the “wall” etc. when those are things we support the Feds doing.
- Returning funds received from the Feds for the bullet train now that Gov. Newsom has halted the project.
- Our state suing our cities to force them to build new so-called “affordable” housing, when simply reducing fees & regulations would naturally lead to more construction.
- Finding a permanent solution to the filthy homeless encampments found in SF and many other bay area counties and throughout the state.
- Whatever is your biggest pet-peeve about the legislating of our CA citizens.

Sue and Julie will collect your notes into one large envelope for mailing to Governor Newsom. The rules are simple – be polite, be respectful, be specific and concise. Short & sweet is more likely to be read!

What I’ve decided to write is something along the lines of “Congratulations on your election to Governor. Thank you for halting construction of the high speed rail, a project that long-ago far exceeded the time and money CA taxpayers voted to expend.” I’ll be thinking about that between now and March 21st, and I hope you will as well!

-Bunny Hacker

## WHY WE HAVE AN ELECTORAL COLLEGE

Our sister club, Blackhawk RWF in Contra Costa County, posted the following on Facebook. It offers a great visual!

“Do you want L.A. ruling the U.S.? Great illustration of why we have a Republic and an Electoral College:

The red square is Los Angeles County. The only States with a population larger than Los Angeles County are those in gray. Each blue state has a population SMALLER than Los Angeles County! (that is SCARY)

This is the purpose of the Electoral College: it ensures that the larger more populated urban states can’t dominate the election by sheer numbers!”



Ladies of West Valley RWF, let’s keep this in mind when we hear anyone suggest getting rid of the Electoral College!



### *In Memoriam*

It is with great sadness that we report our member **Louise Chamberlin** passed away on February 11th. She passed peacefully, surrounded by her family.

Louise was an active and supportive member of West Valley RWF since 2001, most recently serving as our Chaplain until 2017. We will miss Louise, and we offer our condolences to her family. ❤️



## Capitol Update

### California Federation of Republican Women

*Nam-Yong Horn, President*

*Allison Olson, CFRW Advocate*

#### **Governor Newsom's Housing Crusade**

Last month, Governor Newsom declared war on Huntington Beach when he and Attorney General Xavier Becerra announced a lawsuit to force high density housing into the city's home development. Filing lawsuits against your own cities is not the way to solve our state's housing crisis. Reforming CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) and the burdensome building requirements within it, is the way we ease our housing woes. Assembly Tyler Diep (R-72) wrote a compelling Op-Ed that we think is important to share. We are pasting it in entirety here. It originally appeared in the OC Register January 29th. Please read and share!

#### **LITIGATION ISN'T THE ANSWER FOR MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, MR. GOVERNOR, CEQA REFORM IS**

By **Tyler Diep** - PUBLISHED: January 29, 2019 at 3:00 pm, Orange County Register

In one of his first official acts as Governor, Gavin Newsom has declared hostility against one of the cities that I have the honor of representing in the Legislature: Huntington Beach. Governor Newsom announced the lawsuit this past Friday, along with Attorney General Xavier Becerra, to litigate high density housing into our neighborhoods.

Like many other immigrants, I still believe that owning a home is part of living the American Dream. However, for the Governor to exclusively file suit against Huntington Beach is not only unfair but he also fails to recognize the true impediment to more affordable housing – the California Environmental Quality Act, known as CEQA.

According to Joel Kotkin and Marshall Toplansky's California Feudalism, the Squeeze on the Middle Class, **“Barely 5 percent of the state is developed, including all the suburbs and exurbs, and California has the highest urban densities in the nation, even higher than New York.”** [*Emphasis for purposes of this newsletter.-Editor*]

The push by the Governor and Sacramento to force cities to accept higher densities is a plan for failure. Even in the Governor's backyard, “the 2040 regional plan for the Bay Area calls for 75 percent of new housing development to take place on barely 5 percent of the land mass, all but guaranteeing high prices.”

According to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, the Governor's home city of San Francisco, where he served as mayor and launched his political career, will meet its 2040 housing goals by 2063. There are many large, urban cities such as Oakland and San Jose that are falling behind in its housing goals, yet Governor Newsom only singled out Huntington Beach.

I recognize that there is a housing shortage and that the lack of affordable housing particularly affects my generation, young professionals, and the homeless throughout the state.

Prior to my election to the State Assembly, I served as vice mayor of Westminster. The city council approved a 24-unit affordable housing project to help alleviate the housing needs of our community. This development meets all of the state's requirements and city zoning standards. Unfortunately, five months later, construction for this project still cannot move ahead because of a lawsuit filed under the guise of CEQA. Former Governor Jerry Brown, in one of his exit interviews with National Public Radio, conceded that “There's a lot of resistance to changes, to density in neighborhoods that don't want density. In many ways, I don't blame them.”

Brown also admitted to serious issues with CEQA, “So in the CEQA arena, you have two very powerful forces: building trades and environmentalists. And those two forces are going to block any particular change.”

The Governor should acknowledge his predecessor's admission and redirect his energy and priorities in completely overhauling CEQA. It's long overdue.

Mr. Newsom has an opportunity of a lifetime as he and his party dominate both houses of the State Legislature. Instead of bullying one city, he should work with Democrats, Republicans, and labor organizations to fix the real cause of this housing shortage.

*Assemblyman Tyler Diep was elected in 2018 and represents the 72nd Assembly District, which includes Huntington Beach.*

## **Capitol Update - *continued***

### **California Federation of Republican Women**

*Nam-Yong Horn, President*

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#### **Transparency, please!**

Last election voters were duped into supporting the gas tax increase, despite SB 1 being wildly unpopular. Public opinion poll after public opinion poll showed that Californians did not appreciate the 12 cents more per gallon at the pump, the staggering increase in vehicle fees, and the deception used to pass SB 1 in the legislature. So how did the repeal of SB 1, Prop 6, fail? It failed, in large part, due to the deceiving language that was issued to the ballot title and summary by the state Attorney General and Secretary of State. The words "gas" and "tax" did not even appear in the ballot title. So this week, Assemblyman Kevin Kiley introduced a state constitutional amendment to rectify this and increase transparency in our elections. ACA 7 (Kiley, R-6) would remove the power of writing ballot titles and summaries for initiatives and referendums from the state Attorney General and give that job to the Legislative Analyst's office. The Legislative Analyst is a non-partisan, unelected official who would be fair and unbiased in the issuing of ballot titles and summaries. This is a common-sense solution to the partisan politics that have long played a part in our initiatives and referendums. This is a step in the right direction. We will be following ACA 7's journey through our legislature. In the mean time, share this important piece of legislation!

#### **The State of the State**

[In February], Governor Newsom gave his first State of the State. In it he highlighted his plan for addressing what he thinks has been ailing the state. The Delta Tunnels, High Speed Rail, and the aging California population were among Governor Newsom's top priorities. Governor Newsom is scaling back both the Delta twin tunnels as well as High Speed Rail projects. Beginning with the Delta tunnels, Governor Newsom wants to continue with the controversial water project, but is down sizing the project to a single tunnel. Continuing with water plans, Governor Newsom doubled down with his water tax on drinking water. Governor Newsom also rebuked the High Speed Rail project, stating it would "cost too much and take too long" in it's current state. Instead, he proposed completing the line from Merced to Bakersfield. If the project were to continue, as originally planned, it is estimated to now cost \$77 billion to go from Los Angeles to San Francisco. Remember, when voters passed the original Prop 1A, the project cost \$10 billion. Governor Newsom stressed the project is not completely dead, but that it is going to be looked at differently as to not waste the billions already spent on the project. The Governor also wants to focus on aging and Alzheimer's prevention, appointing former first Lady Maria Shriver as head of a task force for this purpose. Finally, Governor Newsom couldn't pass up the opportunity to take a swipe at President Trump, claiming the border wall is a "manufactured crisis". And in his 45 minute assessment of the state, not once did he use the words "small business". In the Governor Newsom's first two months in office, he has made it his priority to challenge President Trump and propose new taxes. With budget season approaching, and the Governor's agenda set, the main question Californians should be asking is, "How can we afford it?"

#### **Suing the President**

Within an hour of President Trump declaring a national emergency at the southern border, Governor Newsom announced California's plans to sue the President over the use of executive powers. This will be the 46th time that California has legally challenged the President's policies. Whether or not the President's national emergency will be struck down in the courts will take some time. It is likely that California will join with other states in their suit against the President. But how does suing the President help the current crises California is facing? Housing? Homelessness? Governor Newsom called President Trump's border concerns a "vanity project". Perhaps Governor Newsom should look in the same vanity's mirror. Removing National Guard from the border and challenging to sue the President are playing the same game. Californians need jobs, affordable housing, and public safety. Let's get our Governor to put Californians first.

#### **CFRW Winter Conference**

Our own CFRW Winter Conference is right around the corner! We have an exciting program, with Dr. Barbara Stone and actress Anna Khait. Go to [cfrw.org](http://cfrw.org) for our Call to Conference, Registration information, Tentative Agenda and information on making your hotel reservations.

## CNN'S EXISTENTIAL WAR WITH TRUMP

By Victor Davis Hanson – November 5, 2018



*Photo Credit: Thomas O'Neill/NurPhoto via Getty Images*

It may be unwise or monotonous for President Trump to harp on CNN as a purveyor of “fake news.” And the constant refrain “enemy of the people” should not be used of a media outlet, even one as prejudicial as CNN.

Yet Trump’s obsessions with CNN are largely reactive, not preemptive. After just 100 days in office, before his own agendas could even be enacted, the liberal Shorenstein Center at Harvard reported that 93 percent of CNN’s coverage of the Trump Administration was already negative. Just one in every 13 CNN stories proved positive. That radically asymmetrical pattern (shared by NBC/MSNBC) had never been seen before in the history of comparable media analytics. No one at CNN sought to explain the imbalance, leaving the impression that the news organization had more or less joined the progressive opposition.

In his serial pushbacks against CNN, if Trump has perhaps surpassed the invective of Barack Obama’s own periodic dismissals of Fox News, he has clearly not ordered his Justice Department to monitor the communications of any CNN reporter, in the manner of Eric Holder’s surveillance of Fox News journalist James Rosen. Associated Press journalists are not being monitored by the administration as they were during the Obama years. That difference is oddly never cited by CNN reporters who are wont to decry their own treatment by the administration, but who were not particularly vocal when their professional colleagues were once placed under electronic surveillance.

### **Naming Names**

But most importantly, both Chris Cillizza and White House correspondent Jim Acosta are quite mistaken in their most recent denials of CNN reporters as purveyors of fake news, and, even more so, in dismissing such accusations as “just empty rhetoric.”

Cillizza complains without irony that White House Press Secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders “can’t name specific outlets or specific people who are enemies of the people or purveyors of fake news because the whole thing is just empty rhetoric solely designed to motivate base voters.” Acosta went further, challenging Sanders to “have the guts” to “state which outlets, which journalists are the enemy of the people.”

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Didn't CNN reporter Manu Raju in December 2017 falsely assert that Donald Trump, Jr. had advanced access to the hacked WikiLeaks documents? Such a false charge smeared Trump, Jr. and it may have spawned all sort of subsidiary rumors that he was on the verge of a Mueller indictment. What were Raju's sources for such an inaccurate charge?

Why did CNN anchor Chris Cuomo falsely assert that only the media (i.e., outlets like CNN) could download the hacked email trove of John Podesta—as if it was illegal for anyone else to do the same (e.g., “Remember, it is illegal to possess these stolen documents. It is different from the media. So everything you learn about this, you are learning from us.”)? What CNN legal counsel gave him such absurd advice?

Why did CNN's own “unnamed source”—namely Lanny Davis—later deny he had ever given CNN any information that Donald Trump had advance warning of a meeting between Russian interests and Donald Trump, Jr.? Why did not the authors of the false story, Jim Sciutto, Carl Bernstein, and Marshall Cohen, retract in full the allegation, or at least explain exactly why their not-so-anonymous source Lanny Davis was claiming that he never told the three that his client Michael Cohen had professed foreknowledge of the meeting on the part of Trump.

Why were Thomas Frank, Eric Lichtblau, and Lex Harris, the supposed dream team of CNN investigative reporters, all forced to resign from CNN? Was it their collective but false report that Anthony Scaramucci was connected to a \$10-billion Russian investment fund? What were the sources for that fake account? Did that news account hurt the Trump transition? Would they have been so fast and loose with the truth in the case of president-elect Hillary Clinton? Might they instead have reported at about the same time on the Clinton's campaign funding of the Fusion/GPS/Christopher Steele project?

CNN's Gloria Borger, Eric Lichtblau, Jake Tapper and Brian Rokus, remember, also had erroneously reported that former FBI Director James Comey would in congressional testimony soon contradict President Trump's prior assertion that he was told by Comey that he was not under investigation. That report proved false—and yet it too had helped to whip up anti-Trump hysteria on the eve of the Comey appearance. Why is it that one can easily predict the particular political slant of these fake news stories?

### **This Is CNN's Shoddiness**

Even in trivial matters, CNN has fudged the truth and always in a predictably biased direction—as, for example, in its selective viewing of a video that suggested Trump buffoonishly had preempted the Japanese Prime Minister and overfed fish during a joint photo-op (“Trump feeds fish, winds up pouring entire box of food into koi pond.”). In truth, Trump simply followed the feeding model of Prime Minister Shinzo Abe.

Earlier, CNN had reported that singer Nancy Sinatra was “not happy” that the president and first lady's inaugural dance would be to the music of her father Frank Sinatra's “My Way”—a story of her purported anger that Sinatra denied. During the lead-up to the Neil Gorsuch nomination announcement, CNN's senior White House correspondent Jeff Zeleny inaccurately announced that the Trump White House was purportedly “setting up [the] Supreme Court announcement as a prime-time contest” by creating two “identical Twitter pages” for both possible nominees Justices Gorsuch and Thomas Hardiman. Later Zeleny sheepishly retracted that falsehood.

The shoddiness in reporting about Trump and the occasional flat-out inaccurate new stories reflect a toxic network culture in which partisanship is now standard and apparently to be expected. A certain furor over Trump often erupts in repeated, obscene anti-Trump and unprofessional outbursts of CNN journalists, contributors, and anchors — whether Anderson Cooper trashing a pro-Trump panelist by profanely retorting, “If he took a dump on his desk, you would defend it!” or CNN religious scholar Reza Aslan referring to Trump as “this piece of sh-t,” or perhaps the late CNN host Anthony Bourdain joking in an interview about poisoning Trump or CNN New Year's Eve host Kathy Griffin's infamous photo-pose holding a facsimile of Trump's severed head.

After a while, the pattern becomes undeniable. We saw such biased activism during the Ferguson drama when the entire newsroom of CNN panelists (on the supposedly straight news “CNN Newsroom”) in December 2014 adopted

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an on-air “hands up, don’t shoot” photo-op pose—an emulation of the false narrative surrounding the shooting death of Michael Brown that was proven fantastical by grand jury testimonies and an investigation by Eric Holder’s Justice Department.

Apparently, CNN has created a landscape in which not only are journalists likely to relax professional standards when it comes to reporting on Trump, but there is a sloppy environment of crude disparagement of the candidate and later president, and a general indifference to journalistic ethics.

The permeating ethos is perhaps best illustrated by the CNN staffers working with CNN correspondent Suzanne Malveaux during the campaign who were caught on a hot mic joking about the crash of Trump’s jet. CNN commentator Donna Brazile leaked a primary debate question to candidate Hillary Clinton, and then shamelessly lied that she had not done so. CNN panelist Julia Ioffe (previously fired from Politico for tweeting that the president and his daughter Ivanka might have had an incestuous relationship) claimed that Trump had radicalized more people than had ISIS. CNN contributor and former Director of National Intelligence James Clapper has suggested that President Trump is being duped as if he was a de facto Russian asset, while another CNN contributor, former CIA Director Michael Hayden, on more than one occasion has compared Trump and his policies in various ways to Hitler, U.S. immigration enforcement to the Holocaust, and America under Trump to Nazi Germany.

CNN anchor Don Lemon recently asserted that “the biggest terror threat in this country is white men”—another false assertion, given that radical Islamist terrorists have killed far more Americans in terrorist acts than have white men, whether left-wing or right-wing, and despite the fact that while “white men” constitute about a third of the U.S. population, Islamists constitute a mere fraction.

At least Christiane Amanpour (“I believe in being truthful not neutral”) was intellectually honest when she asserted—in some sense echoing the confessions of New York Times media columnist Jim Rutenberg—that journalists could not and should not be neutral reporters any longer, given their low opinion of Trump and their own belief that he is untrustworthy and a threat to the republic.

### **Welcome to the Echo Chamber**

Given the fabrications and outright falsehoods that were critical to the selling of Obamacare, from those of Barack Obama to Jonathan Gruber’s, I doubt any credible journalist would have dared state that they could no longer stay neutral in reporting Obama Administration policies. What followed the fabrications of Obamacare were Ben Rhodes’ later admissions of creating an echo chamber by which he orchestrated all sorts of narratives among incompetent and compliant young reporters, or Susan Rice’s serial lies about the Benghazi deaths, the Bowe Bergdahl swap, the complete removal of WMD from Syria, and denials that she had requested unmaskings of Trump associates swept up in the Obama Administration’s FISA warrant surveillance.

In fact, the duty of a journalist is to stay neutral and to report the truth, at least as it can be determined by testimonies, evidence, motive, and common sense—without worry whether such reporting injures or aids a particular politician or agenda.

In answer to both Cillizza and Acosta, unfortunately CNN has serially issued false reports, has had to fire hosts, contributors, and reporters, and has had its anchors and panelists engage in wild ahistorical attacks on Trump and traffic in racist stereotypes and obscenity. The names of those who have abused the journalistic ethos and the regrettable failure of CNN to uphold media standards are a matter of record.

The best way to stop the chronic Trump attacks on the veracity of CNN is not to unleash a rude and boisterous Acosta to argue endlessly with Sarah Huckabee Sanders, but simply to ensure that CNN news reports are fact-checked and not in need of retractions or firings, that CNN hosts, contributors, and anchors do not stoop to profanity, scatology, racism, and ahistorical comparisons to Stalin and Hitler, and that CNN’s staff and hosts do not joke about the president being killed through plane crashes and decapitation.

***Source: amgreatness.com***

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I am a huge fan of conferences! I love them, I am energized and inspired by them, I always have fun, and I ALWAYS learn something new from the presentations or from the other attendees.

Three of the stated objectives of our California Federation of Republican Women are to “promote an informed public through education and activity”, “facilitate cooperation among Federated Republican Women's Local Clubs”, and “increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government”. In working to achieve these objectives, I can't think of better information gathering and training than what we get from attending our conferences and biennial conventions.

To be sure, there are financial and time commitments necessary to attend. Most of our Clubs honor their commitment to “educate and inform” their members by sponsoring their Club President for registration fee, meals and lodging, and many also sponsor the registration fee of other members who attend. Carpooling and room sharing are cost-saving options, but attendees will tell you their take-away was absolutely worth it! Members who wish to serve on the Board of their home club can learn a lot about the positions they seek. At the very least, Clubs' current leadership should make every effort to attend. I know from past personal experience that many of us have been elected to a position in our Club that we know little or nothing about, but are willing to learn! You can't do better than the training, inspiration and motivation you'll gain at a conference.

The benefits of interaction cannot be over-emphasized! Discussions, workshops, round-tables, networking – all can help you solve a problem without resorting to lengthy research to find solutions on your own. There's a better than even chance that whatever issue you're having in your Club has been an issue solved by another Club! You can learn from their experience.

Getting a chance to interact with Republican Women from all over our division and/or state is one of the main advantages of attending conferences and conventions. Attendance affords leadership training, the opportunity to interact with other clubs, and learn new ways to conduct the business of your Club. You'll gain valuable knowledge and insight that you can share with the leaders and members of your home club, as well as in your personal career. Although it's difficult to quantify the value of networking, it really is an essential benefit. Sharing meals with other attendees is a great way to interact and gain a deeper understanding of our Federation of Republican Women.

In particular this year, attending our Division and State conferences is important. We are transitioning out of Division structure and into one unified CFRW. I look forward to learning more about the restructure myself at our March 8-10 CFRW Winter conference at Sacramento Marriott in Rancho Cordova. I hope you'll join me!

*Bunny Hacker*  
*CFRW-ND 2nd VP*  
*Regional Director Liaison*





## REPUBLICAN WOMEN ARE “CHOOSING GREATNESS” BY STANDING WITH PRESIDENT TRUMP



NFRW President  
Jody Rushton  
of Texas

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: February 5, 2019

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ALEXANDRIA, Va. - Jody Rushton, president of the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW), issued the following statement regarding President Donald J. Trump's State of the Union Address:

"During his first two years in office, President Trump has made massive strides in 'Making America Great Again' by turning around the economy, negotiating trade agreements that are more favorable to the U.S., appointing Supreme Court justices and federal judges who adhere to the Constitution, restoring our strength abroad, and working to secure our borders. Tonight, as we watch the President deliver his State of the Union Address and lay out his plan for the next two years, Republican women are inspired, encouraged and energized. We are proud to support this President, and his accomplishments and vision, and we will continue to champion his policies and initiatives nationally and in our neighborhoods and communities."

Founded in 1938, the National Federation of Republican Women is the largest and most influential Republican women's group in the nation, proudly representing the party that first made it possible for women to vote in the U.S. The NFRW works to increase the effectiveness and relevance of women in the cause of good government. Our mission remains to recruit and elect Republican candidates, promote the principles of the Republican Party, educate the public and inform the media.

**National Federation of Republican Women**  
**President: Jody Rushton**

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**Please note: Ladies, this is the year of our transition from 3 Divisions (Northern, Central & Southern) to one unified CFRW! Attend conferences/conventions whenever you can. Enjoy more than just fun networking with our Republican Sisters – learn from them, learn from the workshops, take advantage of the opportunity to become “Informed – Involved – Impactful”. Our conferences aren't just fun – they're great training grounds! – Bunny Hacker**

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## REPUBLICAN RESOURCES

- **West Valley Republican Women Federated:**  
[www.westvalleyrwf.org](http://www.westvalleyrwf.org)
- **Santa Clara County Republican Party:**  
408-246-6600 Phone 408-246-1443 Fax  
[www.svgop.com](http://www.svgop.com)
- **California Republican Party:**  
818-841-5210 Phone 818-841-6668 Fax  
[www.cagop.org](http://www.cagop.org)
- **California Federation of Republican Women (CFRW):**  
[www.cfrw.org](http://www.cfrw.org)  
Advocacy Office Phone: 916-442-4084  
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- **CFRW Northern Division: (CFRW-ND):** [www.cfrwnd.org](http://www.cfrwnd.org)
- **National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW):** [www.nfrw.org](http://www.nfrw.org)
- **Republican National Committee:** 202-863-8500  
310 First Street SE, Washington, DC 20003  
<https://www.gop.com>



**Sarann Cordoni – March 10**  
**Bunny Hacker – March 28**

Many of our Members' birthdays are missing from our records. Please contact us if yours is one of them! Send your birth month & day (not year) to [bunny328@reagan.com](mailto:bunny328@reagan.com) or call 408-483-2311.

**Attention Members, Committee Chairs  
and Board Members:**

**YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED!**

Please write or share articles for our newsletter. Information relevant to our membership can include updates on Club or Committee activities, or referrals to articles on CA or National politics. Our newsletter will be much more relevant, informative and interesting with your input! Email your input to Bunny Hacker at [bunny328@reagan.com](mailto:bunny328@reagan.com) by the **4th Friday of the month** for inclusion in the next month's issue!

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### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

***Don't sit on the sidelines...get involved!***

- March 5           **Mardi Gras** (Fat Tuesday)
- March 8-10       **CFRW WINTER CONFERENCE**  
Sacramento Marriot in Rancho Cordova – It is NOT TOO LATE to register! Call Registrar now!
- March 10         **Daylight Savings begins**
- March 12         **Board Meeting** 10:00am at home of President Mayme Abbott
- March 17         **St. Patrick's Day**
- March 21         **West Valley RWF** lunch meeting featuring Guest Speaker, **Peter Kuo**, newly-elected CA GOP Vice Chair.
- April 9           **Board Meeting** 10:00am at home of President Mayme Abbott
- April 18          **West Valley RWF** lunch meeting featuring Guest Speaker, **Dennis Faigal**, Staff Attorney with Pacific Justice Institute
- April 21          **EASTER SUNDAY**

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