

**February Meeting
Thursday February 22, 2018**

**St. Francis Yacht Club
Golden Gate Room
On The Marina Complimentary Parking
\$55.00 members—\$65.00 non-members**

Reception 6:00 pm Dinner 6:45 pm Program 7:45 pm

**Distinguished Guest Speaker
Colonel Christopher C. Starling, USMC (Ret)
*A Presentation on U.S. Overseas Military Bases***

Colonel Chris Starling is the Operations Director at VetsinTech, a nonprofit based in San Francisco that assists Veterans with training and job leads in the technology sector. He has 26 years of military experience, much of it spent in the Middle East. He has completed 10 deployments including three combat tours overseas with two years in Iraq and one year in the United Arab Emirates specifically working with partner nation forces. He has conducted military training with the Armed Forces of Singapore, the Philippines, Kenya, Kuwait, Jordan and Qatar. He planned the integration and employment of the first Iraqi Battalions and Brigades into Western Al Anbar Province in 2005-2006 and served as the US Marine Corps advisor to the Emirati Presidential Guard from 2011-2012.

A 1988 graduate of Virginia Military Institute, Colonel Starling received a Master's Degree in Public Administration from the City University of New York in 2001. In 2007-2008, he was a National Security Fellow with the Hoover Institution where he studied China's growing influence in Africa.

Colonel Starling will address American Military bases overseas: What is a base? How many do we have? Where are they? How much do they cost? Who is in charge of them? Do we need more? Do we need less? He will break out the pros and cons of our military footprint abroad with a focus on specific threats to the country....which precipitates the need for these bases.

**FOR RESERVATIONS, PLEASE SEND CHECK PAYABLE TO REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF SAN FRANCISCO FEDERATED WITH RSVP
FORM TO JOAN LEONE, 3476 SACRAMENTO STREET, #101, SAN FRANCISCO CA 94118
TO BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2018 CHECKS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE
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RESERVATIONS REQUIRED OPEN SEATING**

2018 SAVE THE DATES:

**WEDNESDAY, March 21 Reception for Assemblyman Travis Allen, Candidate for Governor, State of California
THURSDAY, April 19 Dinner – Italian Athletic Club. Speaker: Nick Adams Best Selling Author, Fox News
Commentator, White House Surrogate.
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9 Christmas Gala – St. Francis Yacht Club in the Starting Line**

RSVP FORM

I /We will attend the RWSFF Dinner at The St. Francis Yacht Club on Thursday, February 22, 2018.

Please find enclosed check for \$_____ for _____ reservations.

Members \$55 Non-Members \$65

Name of your guest(s) _____

Please make check payable to Republican Women of San Francisco, Federated

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Please mail this form and check to Joan Leone, 3476 Sacramento Street, #101, SF 94118, **to be received NO LATER THAN Thursday, February 15, 2018.**

Please specify if Vegetarian dinner desired.

Thank You.