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### GENERAL MEETINGS HELD AT THE BLUE PHEASANT RESTAURANT 22100 STEVENS CREEK BLVD., CUPERTINO, CA



**Our next luncheon meeting is Thursday, June 7, 2018**

**Social 11:30 AM, Lunch 12 Noon, Cost \$24.00**

*Call Doris Sloniker (408)705 -2904 or visit [www.svrwf.org](http://www.svrwf.org) for reservations before noon Monday prior to meeting. "A reservation made is a reservation paid! ~ Vegetarian option always available"*

**Menu Choices:** Grilled Salmon Salad: Spring greens, tomatoes, feta cheese, and salmon dressing OR Classic Burger: A half-pound burger, with or without cheese, served with lettuce, tomatoes, & onions on sesame seed bun and homemade French fries OR Penne Pasta & Asparagus: Penne pasta tossed with white asparagus, sun dried tomatoes, artichoke hearts, olive oil, garlic, & feta cheese.

**Our speaker for June will be Luis Buhler, Publisher of BayAreaGOP.com ([www.bayareagop.com](http://www.bayareagop.com)) a website that focuses on Republican events and issues in the San Francisco Bay Area.**



Luis was twice elected unanimously as California Republican Party Vice Chairman for the San Francisco Bay Area Region, along with being a current member and past Chair of the California Republican Party Audit Committee. Luis is a member of the CRP Rules Committee, where he has served under five CRP Chairs.

Luis serves as executive officer of the Spirit of Democracy PAC, helping elect a number of Republican legislators including East Bay Assemblywoman Catharine Baker. He also serves on the Advisory Committee for the Golden State Voter Participation Project which registered over 100,000 California Republicans in the last election cycle. Luis currently works as a consulting Chief Financial Officer and as principal of Rockledge Associates, which serves clients in both technology and education. He has previously served as CFO of several Silicon Valley high tech companies including Simplex Solutions, acquired by Cadence Design Systems for \$300 million and Latitude Communications, successfully sold to Cisco Systems for \$80 million.

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## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

First, I want to thank everyone who has sent in their “Count your Blessings”. It has helped our club bank account grow a bit this year. It is nice to read them and see all of the “Blessings” bestowed upon our club members. This is one of the many things I love about our club. Everyone is so positive and looks for the good in their lives. I think that having a positive attitude is a big part of being a Republican.

I am sure you are all watching and enjoying the success President Trump is having on his trip to the Middle East. It was heartening to see the playing of our National Anthem and our President with his hand over his heart in a country where our previous president bowed to their king. We have certainly come a long way in such a short time. International respect for our country is back!

I hope you all enjoyed our program last month with Nan Su. It was a bit lighter than the one two years ago on the anniversary of Tiananmen Square. I am sorry I missed him. He has asked to come back sometime in the future because he thought his subject was a little light for our group of ladies. It is nice to have someone realize Republican Woman are interested in many important issues and not just entertainment.

I hope you all have a wonderful summer and when we come back in September it will be just before I head off to Philadelphia for the NFRW Biennial Convention, I cannot wait to see who the speakers will be there.

Laura

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 5            California Primary Elections – Vote Republican!
- June 7            SVRWF Board Meeting, 10:30-11:15 AM, Blue Pheasant Restaurant,  
22100 Stevens Creek Blvd. Cupertino, CA.
- June 7            SVRWF General Meeting, 11:30-1:30 PM, Blue Pheasant Restaurant, 22100 Stevens Creek Blvd.,  
Cupertino, CA 95014: \$24 per person. Cookies: TBA
- June 13          Santa Clara County GOP Monthly Meeting, 7:00 pm, 70 West Hedding St, San Jose
- June 14          Flag Day
- June 17          Father’s Day

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## MEMBER NEWS

Summer Recess: The club does not have meetings in July or August. Next meeting is the first Thursday following Labor Day. Be sure to make the June General Meeting to see all your friends before the summer recess.

Luncheon Reservation Policy: The Board established new guidelines for cancelling meal reservations. The Board decided that members who make a meal reservation, must notify Maureen Hogan, by noon Tuesday of meeting week. If you do not cancel, you will be asked to pay the cost of the meal selected.

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***and other state and regional news...***

## JUNE BALLOT MEASURES

Prop 68: The California Parks, Environment, and Water Bond. The CFRW recommends a NO vote.

Prop 69: Transportation Taxes and Fees Lockbox and Appropriations Limit Exemption Amendment. The CFRW recommends a NO vote.

Prop 70: Vote Requirement to Use Cap and Trade Funds Amendment. The CFRW recommends a NO Vote.

Prop 71: Effective Date of Ballot Measures The CFRW recommends a YES vote

Prop 72: Rainwater Capture Systems Excluded from Property Tax Assessments Amendment. CFRW recommends a YES vote.

Bad news for Dems: Trump's rating is rising where it counts in California -- All that talk of a Democratic blue wave sweeping congressional races in California could be for naught if a new poll is on target: It shows President Trump's approval rating surging to 50 percent in Orange County, site of four tight races that could determine if Republicans hold the House. Joe Garofoli in the [San Francisco Chronicle](#) -- 5/22/18

Villaraigosa likely to be shut out of November general election, a new poll indicates -- Antonio Villaraigosa is struggling to secure second place in the June primary election for California governor and is several points behind Republican businessman John Cox for the No. 2 slot, according to a new poll released Thursday. Seema Mehta in the [Los Angeles Times](#) -- 5/31/18

Get ready to save water: Permanent California restrictions approved by Gov. Jerry Brown -- The drought may be over, but California residents should prepare themselves for new and more permanent restrictions on water use. Gov. Jerry Brown signed a pair of bills Thursday to set permanent overall targets for indoor and outdoor water consumption. Taryn Luna and Alexei Koseff in the [Sacramento Bee](#) -- 5/31/18

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**NFRW** *and other national news*  
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Women Who Read Are Dangerous: The NFRW Literacy Committee under the leadership of Lori Piotrowski is encouraging states and local clubs to expand their literacy efforts in order to cultivate a reading environment in their clubs and at home. To accomplish this goal, the Literacy Committee has prepared a powerpoint sourcebook, NFRW Women Who Read Are Dangerous - an idea guide for club Literacy Chairs. In addition, the committee revamped the MELP (Mamie Eisenhower Library Project) list, organizing it according to category as well as age group and including information on how the book is published (i.e., hardcover, paperback, e-book, or audiobook). Clubs are encouraged to give the gift of literacy by donating books from the list as well as using the list for their own Red Shoe Book Club. Visit [NFRW.org](http://NFRW.org) for more information.

## OTHER

### **Roseanne Barr and the Death of Mercy**

By Tom Trinko, [Americanthinker.com](http://Americanthinker.com)

Roseanne Barr's comment was offensive, and she herself has said it is indefensible. She has apologized for it and offered not as an excuse, but as an extenuating circumstance that it was late and she'd taken Ambien. Also, there is no evidence to date that Barr has acted in a discriminatory or racist way in the past. We have no reason to doubt her apology or to believe she's secretly a KKK member. Hence, in a Christian society, her apology would have been accepted, and while she may have been punished, people wouldn't demand or rejoice at the destruction of her career.

The problem is that the left has continually repudiated Christian values and replaced them with a dualist approach to life, where any crime by someone who is a leftist can be excused or ignored but any perception of a crime by someone who is not part of the left can be condemned and the person punished to whatever extent is possible. For example, Robert Byrd was a long-serving Democratic senator. He also was a legal official for the West Virginia KKK. One would think that founding a KKK chapter and raising funds for the KKK is a bit more odious than one tweet. Yet the left extolled Senator Byrd and declared that since he'd apologized, all was well.

This establishes that the left is eager to forgive racism so long as the racist is a Democrat. Then there's Bill Clinton. He was accused of sexual harassment and even rape, but the left said it didn't matter. He didn't even have to apologize. Even with the birth of the #MeToo movement, Bill has been pretty much given a pass. Of course, the sincerity of the left's commitment to #MeToo is questionable, given that they knew about the powerful, mostly left-wing, men like Harvey Weinstein for years and did nothing. Only when the left thought it could weaponize sexual abuse to attack Trump did Weinstein become expendable. This establishes that the left is eager to forgive sexual harassers so long as they are more useful in advancing the left's agenda than condemning them would be.

Another example of how the left will forgive pretty much anything done by a leftist is the case of Richard Dawkins, the famous atheist who now says he's an agnostic. Dawkins declared that "mild" pedophilia is not that big a deal and, when confronted about it, defended his position. Eventually, he had to backtrack, and when he did, he was given a clean bill of health by the leftist establishment.

This establishes that the left is eager to forgive those who defend pedophilia so long as they advance the leftist agenda. Sane Americans are upset about the Barr incident not because they think she should go unpunished for her tweet, but because the leftist establishment's indignation is so highly selective. Leftists can forgive being in the KKK, sexually harassing, and even raping women, and saying that "mild" pedophilia is okay, but it can't forgive one late-night tweet. It's clear that the left in persecuting Barr is not actually doing so because of any opposition leftists have to racism because she, like Senator Byrd, has apologized. But his apology was accepted and hers wasn't.

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As President Trump has pointed out, the left is fully supportive of vicious personal attacks on those who aren't part of the left, including equating people like Bush with the Nazis. The "comedian" Michelle Wolf hurled insults that were far

worse than what Barr did, for Barr's insult was about a person's appearance, whereas Wolf attacked Sarah Sanders's character, but instead of being condemned, she still has a show on Netflix where she continues to hurl personal insults at Sanders. It's one thing to say a person's politics are bad; it's quite another to say the person is bad.

Even worse, the left has openly declared that all whites are inherently racist, that whites have some magical special privilege, and that white people are bad. That's far more racist than anything Barr tweeted. Yet we're told that's okay. The only rationale for allowing hate speech against whites and not against blacks is that it gives the left more power. Good men, irrespective of their faith or race, condemn all racism. The Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. certainly did.

Finally, the left has declared that one middle-of-the-night apologized-for tweet by Barr proves that Trump and everyone who voted for him is a racist, even though they condemn what Barr wrote. Even Breitbart posted an article by John Nolte asserting that she got what she deserved. If even the notoriously evil, according to leftists, Breitbart site condemned what Barr said, how can any honest person say Barr's comment shows that all Trump-supporters are racists? The answer is that leftist propaganda, whether it be pretending Trump colluded with Russia or declaring that all Trump-supporters are racists, is predicated not on the truth, but on the left's prime directive: "anything that helps our cause is good; anything that hinders our cause is bad."

That's why we can never trust the leftist media: because it is post-Christian and believes that the end, leftists obtaining power over the rest of us so they can control every aspect of our life down to how much soda we can drink, justifies any means and that "truth" is whatever is necessary to achieve their objective.

When you talk to your friends who aren't conservative, point out that conservatives condemn what Barr said, and we condemn Democrat Senator Byrd for his membership in the KKK, while leftists condemn only Barr.

*Read more:*

[https://www.americanthinker.com/articles/2018/06/roseanne\\_barr\\_and\\_the\\_death\\_of\\_mercy.html#ixzz5HCwcNtrR](https://www.americanthinker.com/articles/2018/06/roseanne_barr_and_the_death_of_mercy.html#ixzz5HCwcNtrR)

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