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APRIL NEWSLETTER

April General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at 11:30AM

Gold Star
SPOUSES DAY



Cork and Plough

200 Broadway King City, CA
Two Fried Tilapia Fish Tacos, scoop of beans and rice
OR

Farm Salad with grilled chicken

\$30 includes coffee, tea or soda, tax and tip

RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST!!!



HONOR, LOVE, SACRIFICE
APRIL 5TH

RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST!!! Credit Cards accepted with fee.

Respond to Karen Leonhard phone # (831) 385-1333 by April 9th.

If you can't come to the meeting the day of PLEASE CALL OR TEXT Jeane at 594-2127.

APRIL MEETING

The guest speaker for the April general membership meeting will be Republican candidate for California office of Insurance Commissioner, Stacy Korsgaden.

STACY KORSGADEN

Stacy Korsgaden has held an active insurance license (CA Department of Insurance) since 1988 and is the owner of an insurance and financial service agency. She has a degree in Business from Cal Poly and lives in Grover Beach with her husband of 30 years and dog "Zipper."



BOARD MEETING

The next board meeting is March 31, 2026 at 11:00 am. See you at West Coast Community Bank large meeting room. Call Kathy at 682-2202 to let her know you will attend.

AMERICANISM

Civilian heroes are ordinary people who demonstrate extraordinary courage sometimes by risking their lives to save others or by making significant, selfless contributions to society. We as Republicans can make significant, selfless contributions to our society, so let's make a difference to **Keep America Great**.



View From The Edge Of The Crowd by Lee Schell



President Donald Trump is about to make history and take out an enemy that has been killing Americans for over 47-years and all the mainstream media outlets can do is gripe about high gas prices. It just goes to show you how the "Left" has weaponized most of our legacy news outlets. You will not read or hear or see anything positive about what is happening in Iran. You will only be subjected to the "fear & loathing" ancillary repercussions of our



military actions and those of the Israelis in our joint attempt to return control of that country to it's people if the Iranian people have the intestinal fortitude to seize the opportunity.

Yes, the Strait Of Hormuz is pretty much closed to oil tanker traffic right now but we didn't close it and the *Iranians* didn't close it...the insurance companies covering these huge oil tanker ships by jerking their coverage during the war effectively closed that critical passage out of the Middle East oil producing countries to the rest of the world. So, don't blame Trump for higher gas prices, blame these seven or eight global insurance companies. Also, in California, blame the Democrats who control Sacramento for gas prices upwards of two dollars over the national price of fuel. There will also be a vote next month on proposed regulations that could, and probably will, raise California fuel taxes even higher! I'll get to that in greater depth in next month's View but it can't get any crazier and we need to elect a Republican Governor and some more conservative legislators or we're doomed.



How is the war going? Watch TV, listen to the radio, read printed news outlets and it's a disaster but the two-sided Iranian political structure is crumbling and those left alive are screaming that they are trying to quit...but can't...so don't kill them! The Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps is leaderless. Individual units have been trained to fight on despite the loss of leadership so these pockets of resistance will have to be cleaned out one at a time, so this could take awhile. The IRGC is fighting a war it can't win against enemies it can't defeat while



bombing allies it can't afford to lose. 88 million Iranians who didn't choose this war and secretly despise the government that got them into it are going to have to step up and for the first time in 47-years, take the driver's seat and propel their country back on the path of being a productive member of the world community of nations. How they do that is anybody's guess but I have a suggestion: Former Crown Prince Reza Pahlavi, son of the former Shah of Iran, is standing by, ready to put together a provisional government if and when the people call on him to lead. I think it would be a smart move and inch the world closer to peace in the Middle East if that is even possible.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

EVERY YEAR I SAY – **ALL HANDS ON DECK!** AND ALL OF YOU RESPOND AMAZINGLY! Our major Scholarship Luncheon Fundraiser is scheduled for Friday, April 24th. Karen Leonhard has been busy gathering donations from local merchants for our Silent Auction and raffle prizes.

WE NEED anything you may have to put together raffle/silent auction baskets. Ideas can be a Garden Basket, Plants, Jewelry, Purse, Tool Set.... SO far there is an Italian Basket, Cat Basket, a surprise item that has been donated and a high value case of Pinot Noir and Rosa Pacheco is busy on another amazing basket to top off the event. Please call Karen Leonhard (831) 385-1333 or Kathy Forgnone (831) 682-2202, if you need us to collect it. Scholarship Chair, Sharon Hornlein and I are in the process of interviewing seniors from both Greenfield and King City High Schools. We will honor our winners at the July 14th General Membership Dinner at the Cork and Plough.

CASE YOU MISSED IT - Kathy Forgnone



Did we all get an impressive and informative lesson from our speaker, journalist, Nan Su, on China, and the United States' interest in protecting Taiwan. I don't believe anyone in the room had ever heard of the San Francisco Treaty of 1951 with Taiwan. Nan Su is a Senior Reporter for the Epoch Times, delivered a captivating history on Taiwan and why the region is so important to national security of the USA and other countries nearby. One member told him after his talk, she would have paid more attention in history class if he were her instructor!

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT/WAYS AND MEANS

The Scholarship fundraiser is just around the corner! Please bring your salads, raffle and silent auction items to the Recreation Center starting at 9:00 am on Friday, April 24th. If you cannot deliver your items call Sharon at 594-2094 or Karen Leonhard (831) 385-1333 or Kathy Forgnone (831) 682-2202, if you need us to pick it up. and they will help get it to the fundraiser. If you did not receive tickets at the meeting they will be mailed to you. The price per ticket is now \$15 and we ask that you sell 4 or more. Please label anything you want back.

BIRTHDAYS

Melanie Ots - April 1
Monique Creamer-Todd - April 5
Beverly Gillett - April 9
Claudia Wollesen - April 22
Kristin Callender - April 27
Beverly Kelley - April 30



FLAG DAYS

April 5 (fixed) Gold Star Spouses Day
April 5 Easter Sunday
April 9 (fixed) National Former
Prisoner of War Recognition Day
April 22 (fixed) Earth Day

SUNSHINE

If you know of any of our members who are ill or may need a cheery "hello", give Cheryl Harrison a call at (831) 320-3256 and she will send a card from our club.

NEWS OF OUR NEIGHBORING CLUBS

MONTEREY PENINSULA RWF

Thursday, April 9th Call (831) 624-5433 for information and RSVP.

PASO ROBLES RWF

Monday, April 13th, Bellasera Hotel, 5pm. Speakers Shannon Kessler, candidate For Assembly, Dist. 30- Vanessa Roza, candidate county clerk-recorder, SLO.

REAGAN LIBRARY EVENTS www.reaganfoundation.org

Apr.13 Conversation and book signing with John Coleman, 6pm
Apr. 27 Conversation & book signing with Congresswoman Elise Stefank, 4:30pm
Apr. 30 Conversation and book signing with Shannon Bream, 4:30pm



RECYCLING

We now have \$ 91.73!

MEMBERSHIP 2026

We officially welcomed new member Marsha Tankersly to the Club.

Regular	Renewals	54	New	2	TOTAL	56
Associate	Renewals	25	New	7	TOTAL	32

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP 2026 to date...88.

New members are always welcome. Encourage your Republican friends to join to help spread conservatism. Many thanks to all our renewing and new members.

New 2026 Rosters will be published in May so keep your 2025 updated roster on hand until then.

Thanks, Dorothy Errea, Membership Chairman



WILDHORSE CAFÉ EASTER SPECIAL

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SCALLOP POTATOES, VEGETABLE, BREAD and DESSERT!

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Call (831) 385-4312 for more information.



A Message from the President of the NATIONAL FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Trump Stops Iran's Nuclear Threat – What the Media Won't Tell You

On Saturday, February 28, American and Israeli forces launched attacks on Iran. For 47 years, the murderous regime in Iran has killed Americans through its proxies and through the terrorism it sponsored. No President before him has put a stop to it, but President Trump is not one to leave problems for the next President to deal with.

US and Israeli intelligence had evidence that Iran was within hours or days of striking American bases and interests in the region with ballistic missiles. Even after we took out their underground nuclear sites last summer, Iran was also incredibly close to having nuclear weapons, as they had been stockpiling and hiding enriched uranium.

Iran claimed it needed uranium for nuclear energy, which seems unbelievable on its face in a country that is rich with oil. Our negotiators Witcoff and Kushner even called their bluff by offering them free uranium for energy production and they refused, proving the claim about needing nuclear energy for power generation was a ruse. While none of us like or want war, President Trump took decisive action to remove a clear and present danger.

Talking heads in the media and Democrats in Congress are apoplectic that Trump is "bypassing" Congress, although Trump has completely followed the War Powers Act. These same hand-wringers said nothing when Presidents Obama and Biden used military force without Congressional approval.

The integration of the US and Israeli military has been unbelievably productive. The Iranian people will now have a chance to take back their government. They are already celebrating in the streets that the brutal dictator who controlled their country is gone.

As usual, the corporate media wants to hide the successes and leadership of the Trump team, including Secretary Hegseth and General Dan "Raising" Cain. By doing this, they are also showing immense disregard to the accomplishments of our men and women in the military. They want Americans to disapprove of anything President Trump does, and unfortunately, the "polls" released this week show just how skewed their coverage is (or how flawed the polls are).

Thank goodness President Trump is more concerned with doing what is absolutely necessary than what the polls say. His job is to protect the American people, from all enemies, foreign and domestic, and I for one am thankful every day that he is our President.

It is my prayer, and I'm sure yours too, that this conflict ends soon, that few if any more American troops have to pay the ultimate sacrifice, and that the Iranian threat will be ended once and for all. God Bless America!

Martha Jenkins

Southern Monterey County Republican Women Federated

General Meeting

Tuesday March 10th, 2026

Cork & Plough Restaurant, King City CA

Presiding: Kathy Forgnone, President

Conducting: Kathy Forgnone, President

Meeting Called to Order: 12:02pm

Board Members present: Kathy Forgnone, Jeane Errea-Mills, Sharon Hornlein, Dorothy Errea, Darcy Conatser-Pacheco

Invocation: Sandy Casion

Pledge of Allegiance: Sandy Casion.

Introductions and Welcome: Kathy Forgnone welcomed all and introduced Nan Su Senior Reporter for Epoch Times, Guests Susan Shaw, Pat Tunstall, Barbara Wellong, & Mike Layhee.

Speaker : Nan Su, presentation on the importance of China & Taiwan

Reports:

Correspondence- Kathy updated on no current correspondence.

Minutes- Feb minutes in newsletter approved unanimously.

Treasurers Report- Jeane gave the current report, ending balance \$10,205.45 -see attached article A

1st VP Report: Kaeda absent, Kathy updated on next speakers.

Ways And Means- Sharon announced Scholarship Luncheon Fri. April 24th, signups for salad, setup help and raffle items needed. Tickets passed out, members to sell 4 tickets each at \$15 per ticket. Sandy updated on current recycling total: \$77.08.

Caring for America- Kathy I reporting that Wreaths Across America sent check for 2025 Campaign in amount of \$448.

Membership Report- Dorothy gave the current report and reminded renewals are due for all members. Current total is 88, see attached exhibit B.

Newsletter Deadline March 20th.

Motion: To amend the Standing Rules as published in March newsletter, 1st by Susan Shaw

2nd by Dorothy Errea, Motion approved and carried.

Calendar Events & Announcements: as listed

Opportunity Drawing- Eileen Bennett

Adjournment- 1:25pm by Kathy Forgnone



Kathy I. and Sharon show wreaths made with the wire frames and ribbons from the Wreaths Across America wreaths.

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SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER



Salad Bar Luncheon
Silent Auction & Raffle

Lots of delicious food from the best cooks in town!

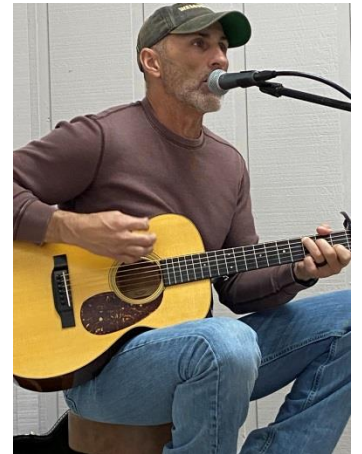


Friday, April 24, 2026

11:00am – 1:30pm

Music by Jeff Pereira

King City Recreation Center
401 Division St., K.C.



\$15.00

Eat in or Take Out

Buy tickets from any member.

Or call 831.382.4230

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



Name _____ Birthday (Mo/Day) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Regular Member /Year \$35 _____ Associate Member /Year \$10 _____

Regular member is a registered Republican Woman. She will have voting privileges and may hold office.
Associate member is a woman who is an active member of another Republican Women Federated club
or a man that is a registered Republican.

Signature _____

Date _____

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