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## SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

## September General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 at 11:30 am King Kora, 611 Canal St., King City

Grilled chicken w/ Jack cheese and Ortaga chili on a bun Fries or Fruit

Or

Salad Bar \$20 includes non-alcoholic drink, tax and tip RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST!!!

Respond to Karen Leonhard phone # (831) 385-1333 by August 30<sup>th</sup>.

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

#### SEPTEMBER MEETING

The guest speaker for the September general membership meeting will be Dalila Epperson, Republican candidate for Assembly in the 30th District. Mrs. Epperson will discuss her campaign and her qualifications for office.

#### DALILA EPPERSON

Dalila was born at Camp LeJeune, North Carolina, where her father was stationed in the Marines. She attend Mission College in Santa Clara and is a Licensed Vocational Nurse. Dalila founded "Act Monterey Bay" and was elected president of the local Republican Assembly chapter in 2023. She is married to a firefighter and Navy veteran, has 2 children and 4 grandchildren.

#### BOARD MEETING

The board meeting is at 11:00 am on Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 1<sup>st</sup> Capital Bank. If you would like to attend, please contact Kathy Forgnone at katforgl@icloud.com.

Note new time and location.

#### AMERICANISM

Just 15 words from the top of my head that describe our USA... respect, united, equality, liberty, truth, devotion, citizen, honor, justice, loyalty, genuine, integrity, flag, beautiful, HOME.

Sandy Casion

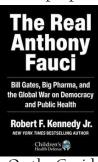


PATRIOT DAY

We will never forge

### View From The Edge Of The Crowd by Lee Schell

I usually take to these pages to expound on a single topic, but there are a number of topics rattling around in my brain and I need to release the pressure. First...Thanks to your club president, I am reading Robert F. Kennedy Jr.'s 2021 book on "Dr. Anthony Fauci, Bill Gates, Big Pharma and the Global War on Democracy". The book is HUGE. Lots of words. At this writing, I am not finished...not even close, but the more I read the madder I get. I usually study Democrats but I rarely read what they write. Bobby Kennedy Jr. is an exception. On this subject he is absolutely right...no pun intended. In a nutshell, Dr. Fauci and Bill Gates and lots of other people running our Medical/Industrial complex had invested in companies making the Covid-19 vaccines



and, despite the fact that a number of off-the-shelf anti-viral drugs were found by many doctors around the world to be very effective against the early Covid virus, Fauci and these other folks did everything they could to discourage the use of these existing drugs and millions of people died. Our medical elite were waiting for the vaccines to come out and wanted nothing to compete with the products that would eventually make them millionaires. If you read this book you are convinced Fauci and all of his accomplices are guilty of mass murder and should be held accountable for their deliberate involvement in the deaths of all of these innocent people who died because they were denied drugs that would have saved them.

On the Covid subject, we now know that locking down the country did irreparable harm to our economy and the lives of our school aged children. Any vaccine mandate is wrong whether the shots are safe and effective or not. Coercing anyone to take a medical intervention, with the threat of their job and livelihood, is never justifiable. But, when you essentially force someone to inject into their bodies a product that posses a greater risk of death than the disease it is meant to prevent, that reaches a much darker level of evil.

Two weeks of summer Olympic games are behind us; a subject that totally dominated the daily news cycle. Gold medal this--Bronze medal that--but there was one Gold medalist we never heard about. Why? Because 35-year old Vincent Hancock, now a four-time Gold medal winner, won in the sport of Skeet shooting which involves a fire arm...a shotgun...and the so-called mainstream media totally ignored all Olympic firearm events because they didn't want to promote anything to do with guns. And, to make matters worse, Google and Facebook and Instagram and all other social media platforms shut down any talk of Olympic shooting competition and its winners. You talk about a bunch of hypocrites.





Finally...on the one year anniversary of the devastating fire that

nearly wiped out downtown Lahaina on the island of Maui, there are rumors circulating that suggest big real estate interests in Hawaii tried to burn out all of the private homes along the Lahaina waterfront because the land is so valuable and commercial development could make Maui a huge tourist mecca. Ask yourself: Why did the cops prevent downtown Lahaina residents from evacuating the city? It's unthinkable! But, are we getting used to seeing the unthinkable?

#### MONTEREY COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY

As Election Day draws closer make sure to check your voter status and have your friends and neighbors register to vote. Every vote counts

Check your voter registration status: https://voterstatus.sos.ca.gov/ Register to vote (or update your registration): https://cagop.org/register-to-vote/monterey/

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am hoping everyone enjoyed the evening General Membership meeting August 6th, at the Cork and Plough Restaurant in King City. I could see a lot of smiles! Our 2024 SMCRWF Scholarship winner, Samantha Roach and her proud parents Tanya and Shane Roach were in attendance. Samantha was given a voter registration form and information on CFRW clubs near the Cal Poly campus in San Luis Obispo. She has already signed up on our SMCRWF Facebook Page to keep up-to-date on our activities.

The San Antonio Valley welcomes our Monterey County Republican Party Chairman, Jeff Gorman and his wife Linda! They purchased a home with breathtaking views, in Bryson Hisperia.

Two months to go until November 5th! We totally need to do our part and support our candidates! Please call or visit the Monterey County Republican Party office in Salinas (831) 324-0617, located at 414 South Main St., or contact our candidates for yard signs. Continue to proudly wear your Trump!

#### Kathy Forgnone

REAGAN LIBRARY EVENTS www.reaganfoundation.org

Sept. 21 "Summertime Sizzle On The Hill", dining and dancing 5:30-10pm

#### IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

Our August 6<sup>th</sup> General Membership Meeting was held at Cork and Plough Restaurant in King City. Scholarship committee member, Sharon Hornlein, presented our 2024 Scholarship winner Samantha Roach from King City High



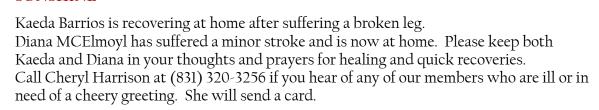
#### pursuing a career in journalism at Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo. Dr. Caroline Cota, Superintendent of the South Monterey County High School District, was in attendance to congratulate Samantha. Our speaker, and member of the Monterey County Republican Committee, Ben Strickland, spoke of his experience with college Republican groups and how to contact conservative clubs near her in San Luis Obispo County.

School with a \$1,000 check! Samantha told us she would be

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Samantha Roach w/ her parents Shane and Tonya

Dr. Carolyn Cota, Samantha Roach and Sharon



#### SOUTHERN MONTEREY REPUBLICANS

September 17th -South Monterey Republicans will gather at Astoria Range in Soledad to meet and greet local candidates. 4-5:30 pm Open Shooting 5:30-6:00 pm BBQ & Meet Candidates

Call Max Schell at (831) 260-9658 for more information.

SECOND VICE PRESEDENT/WAYS AND MEANS RECYCLING WITH SANDY

Bring me your empty, clean aluminum and clear plastic containers and I will turn them into cash for the club. We are up to \$276.62. Thank you, Sandy.







#### NEWS OF OUR NEIGHBORING CLUBS

#### MONTEREY PENINSULA RWF

Thursday, September 12, 11:30am Speaker: Dan Reid, National Rifle Assn. 2nd amendment Palo Corona Regional Park, Carmel Valley Call (831) 624-5433 for information and RSVP.

#### PASO ROBLES RWF

Monday, September 9, 5pm, Quail Run Clubhouse, 1400 Quail Run Ave. Paso Robles. Call (805) 217-5323 for information and RSVP

#### LET' ALL GO TO THE MOVIES

King City Cinemas will show the movie "REAGAN" beginning on August 30th.

#### BIRTHDAYS

Kaeda Barrios September 1 Vicki Nohrden September 2 Diana McElmoyl September 4 Mikel Ann Miller September 10 Riggie Romo September 10 Suzanne Krause September 27 Ricky Humphreys September 27



#### FLAG DAY

Sept 2 Labor Day Sept 11 (fixed)(half-staff) Patriot Day Sept 17 (fixed) Constitution Day&Citizenship Day Sept 18 (fixed) Air Force Birthday Sept 20 National POW/MIA Recognition Day Sept 24 Gold Star Mother's and Family's Day

#### CARING FOR AMERICA

Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> we will have a booth at King City Safeway to sell wreaths for Wreaths Across America. We had a great time last year! Please call Kathy Imamura (408) 802-4437 or Kathy Forgnone (831) 682-2202 if you would like to help. We will be there from 10 am to 2 pm.

#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

#### *The following letter is not an endorsement by the SoMoCo RWF, but an opinion submitted by our member.* 1/2 CENT SALES TAX INCREASE FOR KING CITY

On November's ballot there will be a measure to increase the King City sales tax from 8.75% to 9.25%. This increase would bring us more in line with other towns in the valley.

Up to now, so many improvements have been made in our community because of grants and what we can fit into the city budget. However, more is needed. By spending a 1/2 cent more in sales tax, we will be able to increase the scope of the budget to include other necessities.

These are a few examples of things on the unfunded priorities list. We need another safety resource officer to cover the schools. We need expensive street improvements which are on a 12-year plan of maintenance and repair. We need to upgrade parks and recreation buildings and services. Various city buildings need new roofs and painting.

If the measure passes with just over 50%, it is estimated to bring in an additional \$1.2 million each year for 12 years starting in April 1, 2025. There would be annual audits and a citizen oversight committee. Because the greatest amount of sales tax is collected at the gas pumps, much of the tax is paid by travelers.

I have never written an endorsement for a sales tax increase before. My justification is that I see good things are happening in King City, and I would like to keep it going. I have been on the budget committee as a private citizen for a few cycles and I have seen the city pay off the debt and spend our money wisely. If you are a King City resident, please join me in voting "yes" for the 1/2 cent sales tax increase to keep our community moving forward. Thank you.

Suzanne Krause



#### LEGISLATIVE CFRW PROPOSITION ENDORSEMENTS November 5, 2024 Ballot

Number	CFRW POSITION	Source	Title	
2	OPPOSE	AB 247	K-12 Schools and Local Colleges Modernization, Repairs and Safety Bond Act	
3	OPPOSE	ACA 5	Marriage Equality	
4	OPPOSE	SB 867	Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024	
5	OPPOSE	ACA 1 ACA 10	Local Govt financing: affordable housing and public infrastructure 2023 and 2024	
6	OPPOSE	ACA 8	Slavery	
32	OPPOSE	1936	Raises Minimum Wage	
33	OPPOSE	1942	Expands Local Governments' Authority to enact Rent Control on Residential Property	
34	** NEUTRAL	1963	Restricts Spending by Health Care Providers meeting specified criteria ** Did not meet 2/3 vote requirement	
35	** NEUTRAL	1966	Provides Permanent Funding for Medi-Cal Health Care Services ** Did not meet 2/3 vote requirement	
36	SUPPORT	1959	Allows Felony Charges and Increases Sentences for Certain Drug and Theft	

#### MINUTES

Southern Monterey County Republican Women Federated General Meeting Cork & Plough Restaurant August 6, 2024

The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Forgnone at 6 pm. Invocation by Sandy Casion who also led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. President Kathy welcomed all and introduced the following: From MCRP Jeff Gorman, Brian Higgins & Ben Strickland, Suzanne Krause guest Superintendent of the South Monterey County High School District, Dr. Caroline Cota, Scholarship recipient Samantha Roach and her parents (Shane and Tonya), Julie Garcia, Bonnie Lawson and Joe Tognetti. Sharon Hornlein introduced out scholarship recipient Samantha Roach who told us about her plans of college. Ben Strickland was introduced and he spoke about being a conservative in collage and finding like-minded students. He encouraged all when voting to look at policy not personality. He was presented a bottle of wine donated by Dave Lawson/ Schied Vineyards. President Kathy announced Barbara Oetting will be the MELP Chairperson.

**Corresponcence:** Invitation from Sol Treasures. **Minutes** were approved. **1**<sup>st</sup> **VP** President Kathy gave report. September speaker: Dalila Epperson Assembly candidate, October: open, November: Second Tuesday Retired DA Dean Flippo, December: Christmas Party. **Treasurer:** Beginning Balance \$7495.37, Deposits \$948.11, ending balance a/o 7/29 \$8443.48. Report filed. Sandy reported on recycling to date. **Membership Report:** Dorothy stated we have 100 total members and encouraged us to find new members. **Legislation:** Claudia encouraged all to sign the new Newsom recall petition. **MCRP:** Jeff Gorman, Chair of MCRP announced he has now moved to South County. **Sunshine:** report given by Karen Leonhard, Get well wishes to Kaeda who fell and broke her leg. **Newsletter:** articles due august 15. **Caring for America:** Wreaths are \$17 each, they will be placed on grave December 14. Flags will be placed on all graves even if not enough wreaths are sold. We will have a booth September 21<sup>st</sup> at Safeway 10-2 to sell wreaths.

#### **Calendar of Events and Announcements**

August 27 11 am Board Meeting all welcome 1<sup>st</sup> Capital Bank September 3 General Membership Meeting 11:30 am King Kora September 6-7 CFRW Fall Board of Directors Conference in Bakersfield. September 18 Reagan Dinner with Adam Corolla contact MCRP

Opportunity drawing : Arlene Azcona won 1<sup>st</sup> prize. Trump baseball Cap went to Melvin Casion and Ben Strickland, Trump cowboy hat to Kelly Wittstrom and Lu MacIntyre. Free lunch to Dorothy Errea

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm. Barba Oetting Recording Secretary ProTem Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Monterey County Republican Party Reagan Dinner presents

Wednesday September 18th

## A Gam Harolla Salinas Sports Complex

General Admission \$95.00 Premium Seating \$150.00 Sponsorships available

Purchase Tickets



For More Information: 831-324-0617

#### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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