

# Riverside County Federation of Republican Women

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The Next  
Meeting of the  
Riverside County Federation of  
Republican Women  
will be

**Monday May 11 2015**

**Calimesa Country Club**

1300 3rd St, Calimesa, CA

**Check-in begins at 9:30 am**

**Meeting at 10 am**

**Speaker**

**Scott Mann**

**Chairman, Republican Party of Riverside  
County**

RSVP to Coralee Gaytan,  
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951-776-4333  
by Wednesday March 4th

### CONGRATULATIONS RYAN!!

I am announcing, with great pride, that the Riverside County Charlotte Mousel Winner was the Southern Division Winner also. Her home club is Temecula Valley RWF.

Ryan Murphy Kelly is the new Southern Division Charlotte Mousel Scholarship Winner for 2015. She is an example of the youth that we must celebrate because of her values, politics and conservative beliefs in our country.

Valarie Skovron  
RCRFW President

### Scott Mann



Scott Mann is the current Chairman of the Republican Party of Riverside County. He is also serving his second term as the Mayor of Menifee, California with a long history of service on many city and volunteer projects.

### PER CAPITA REPORTS

Ann Grivich, CFRW So Div Membership Secretary  
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### ATTENTION ALL CLUB PRESIDENTS & MEMBERSHIP SECRETARIES

At the CFRW Spring Conference in Sacramento, Monday, April 20, NFRW Membership Director Frederika VerHulst will present a hands-on workshop for per capita preparers on the new NFRW data base. This will help clubs navigate the new reporting procedures.

**COUNTY LINE****2015 Executive Board and Committee Chairmen**

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**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

April 20, 21	CFRW Spring Conference & Advocacy Workshop, Holiday Inn Express, Sacramento
May 11	Riverside County FRW, Calimesa Country Club, Calimesa
June 3	CFRW Southern Division, Pomona Valley Mining Co, Pomona
Sept 2	CFRW Southern Division, Pomona Valley Mining Co, Pomona
Sept 10-13	NFRW Biennial Convention, JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort, Phoenix, AZ
Sept 18-20	California Republican Party Fall Convention, Anaheim
Oct 23-24	CFRW Biennial Convention, Irvine
Nov 13-14	CFRW Southern Division Biennial Convention, Knotts Berry Farm Hotel, Buena Park

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE***Valarie Skovron*

It has been wonderful to visit each unit club in Riverside County. I sincerely appreciate the hospitality from the Presidents and the members. I am grateful for the hard work of the Presidents, their Board Members, and their Club Members. I am excited to see the enthusiasm that is shown for the work ahead to 2016 Election.

Sincere thanks to all of you for the positive attitude towards the Election Integrity Project. We have plans to solidify and classes to plan in order to put this plan into reality. You will be hearing from your Presidents about the detail for phase one, our training. I truly believe that this can revive the excitement in our clubs and bring young women to our clubs. In my own club, Temecula Valley, a younger and active member attended the meeting on March 9, saw the presentation and became the loudest proponent of the EIP. She is telling everyone about it and trying to involve everyone. This is extremely exciting for me as her husband is the President of Riverside County Young Republicans. The excited and active young couple is Alexandra & Michael Garrison. (Michael is a veteran, works for Assemblywoman Melendez & Alexandra is a TVRWF Board Member).

Our next meeting will be May 11 at Calimesa CC at 10am. Our guest will be Scott Mann, President of the Riverside County Republican Party. He and Michael Garrison (RCRP VP) have worked with members to put together a strategic Plan for Riverside County. You will not want to miss this meeting!

A reminder that this fall there are Republican Women Federated Conventions at all levels. Please try to attend at least one of them. It kicks off with the National Convention in Phoenix in September. If you have not attended a National Convention...this is so close...try to attend Phoenix. It will be wonderful! October is the California Convention in Irvine and then our Southern Division in November. All are within driving distance...begin budgeting and planning.

As I said, I was so excited to attend our unit club meetings. I was excited to see so many members attending meetings, I heard very good speakers, I met wonderful Republicans.

As we go forward, I will continue to push winning elections now and in 2016. I will continue to push Membership...it makes our clubs work. I will be encouraging you to reach out to younger women so the burden of work can be shared with enthusiasm. We must work hard to encourage young women to join our organization and to become active. Perhaps your club could have an evening meeting with a speaker on Common Core, Obamacare, the Economy. No meeting, no food...just the speaker giving great information.

Those subjects attract young women. As we all age, the torch must be handed over with enthusiasm...not criticism, with respect...not resentment. This will be their world, let's begin to teach them the values, the joy, the reasons to be Republican and the importance of being an American!

Thank You for your hard work!



Ann Grivich has compiled an excellent speakers' resource for club program vice presidents - the Southern Division Speakers' Bureau Roster.

Each month she adds to the ever growing list from information she has received from clubs.

For the complete roster, go to [www.cfrwsodivision.org/Member Center/Resources](http://www.cfrwsodivision.org/Member Center/Resources). User Name & Password required.

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## CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Roseann Slonsky-Breault, President



Our #1 goal for 2015 is increasing our membership. We have to stop the downward spiral that has been the norm for the last 3 years or so. We can make a difference and increase our membership, but it takes work and every club member getting involved to grow your membership. But it is worth taking the time. Just imagine, *What if there wasn't a Federation...Who would help our candidates, get out our Republican message, run the victory offices, and so much more?* Our hard working CFRW Membership Promotion, Gaylon Kastner, will be emailing each division's Regional Directors or County Presidents the NFRW Membership Handbook with very helpful membership information from NFRW. She will also be emailing the NFRW Membership Incentives Awards that will be presented in September at the 2015 NFRW Biennial Convention. We won a number of membership awards at the 2013 NFRW

Biennial Convention and I think we can do even better this year!

Club Presidents, challenge your clubs to increase membership by 10% and hold a special Membership Meeting. We need to think outside the box, be creative, and come up with new ideas to help retain and recruit more women from all backgrounds, ethnicity, and ages if we want to truly represent California Republican Women. We need to get out in the community to engage these women; they will not come to us! Always carry your club brochures with you!

Here are a few simple ideas your clubs can use to retain and recruit more members.

Don't be afraid to change the time of your meeting sometimes to reach out to other women, try evening, or cocktails, great for working women. Saturday morning might be a meeting time that young moms with small children at home might like. We need to be flexible.

Join your local Chamber of Commerce. Most business women are Republican. They might not know it so we need to help them become aware of Republican principals.

Find new sources for recruiting and have your members attend various organizations in your community. Rotary clubs, church groups, alumni /college groups; so many to pick from.

Mentor a College Republican Group in your area. If the local college doesn't have one, help mentor the students and help them form one. They are our future!

Invite College Republican Women to join your club. We have so much to offer each other. They can help your club create a better website or work on the per capita and teach more members to learn how to do it. We can mentor and encourage them.

Ask new members about their skills and passions and get them involved in a committee they would like. They will be strong and loyal members if they are doing what they enjoy!

Ask your members for ideas and listen to them; engage them!

Never leave a new member, guest or any member alone in the corner. Bring them in, make them feel welcome and get them involved. Give members a reason to come back.

Be sure you always thank members for attending, tell them you look forward to seeing them next month. Remember you are not just getting a new member you are making a new friend.

Most important we need to stay positive, stay on message and remember President Reagan's 11th Commandment. Thou shall not say anything disparagingly about a fellow Republican. That includes our members. Women do not want to join a group where people are negative.

These are just a few simple ideas for increasing our total CFRW membership. Yes we have Membership Contests from NFRW, CFRW and the division level, but that is not the reason we work hard to grow our clubs. We have a very crucial election in 2016 we need to elect more Republicans on the local, state and national levels and we must win back the White House. We are increasing our numbers so we can grow our Army of Republican women with *boots on the ground* and ensure Victory in 2016.

Another quick item to address: Now that bills are being heard in committee at the state Capitol, there will be Action Alerts coming from our CFRW Advocate, Allison Olson. Please remember that ONLY CFRW official positions on legislation come from our Advocate. If you receive bill information or an action alert from anyone other than our Advocate, they are NOT CFRW sponsored bills. If you have any questions on whether or not a bill is CFRW approved, please contact our Advocate at [advocate@cfrw.org](mailto:advocate@cfrw.org).

God Bless America

Thank you for all you do,

**COUNTY LINE****Republican Women Making a Difference!**

Christine Flynn

President, CFRW Southern Division



The only way to improve our election is to become involved.

Make sure you are right on track as we continue to steam full speed ahead building our clubs toward the critical 2016 election year!

Congratulations to our clubs and members that received membership and newsletter awards at the Modesto CFRW Winter Conference.

You are gaining traction in the fight we are in to move the country toward responsibility. You are making a difference by changing the political landscape of our communities.

Our Federation's mission is Education – of our members and community. As we continue to grow as an organization we educate our membership to be party workers and potential candidates and office holders. We inform you with the information on the website and in the Southern Division newsletter to guide your political activities so we remain an effective force. Read all the newsletters available to you for activities and events that will help further your political education.

There are numerous opportunities open to you as a members of the Federation. As a member of your unit club, you have the opportunity to not only attend your club meetings, but also your county, division, state and national meetings, hearing out-standing and informative speakers. Network with members of other clubs and discover their success and experiences. Use your club funds to educate your members. How many members are familiar, really familiar with the legislative process? It may have been years since you have visited the state capitol, met with legislators, had the opportunity to sit in on a legislative committee hearing, or even lobby on behalf of an issue?

Our CFRW Board of Directors Meeting and Conference will include our Annual Advocacy Workshop on April 20-21 in Sacramento. Consider joining us as we take an active role in the legislative process. Surely there is an issue, or a recent piece of legislation about which you are passionate.

This is your opportunity to meet with your legislator or their Sacramento staff, about this topic.

**NFRW BIENNIAL CONVENTION**

September 10 - 13, 2015

JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort

Phoenix, Arizona

Plan Ahead. In 2014 you budgeted half anticipated expenses to send your president to this convention. Budget the other half in your 2015 your budget

**EDUCATION***Suzy Gapinski, CFRW Education Chairman*

"Hopefully, someday, we can track children from preschool to high school and from high school to college and college to career." -- Arne Duncan, United States Secretary of Education. Just the thought of this being put into practice gives me chills, and this is one main goals of Common Core.

One glimmer of hope for those opposed to Common Core, with opposition growing every day, is what just happened in Missouri.

A lawsuit was brought by parent activists Gretchen Logue and Anne Gassel of the Missouri Coalition Against Common Core and former Republican gubernatorial candidate Fred N. Sauer as plaintiffs in the suit against Missouri Gov. Jay Nixon (D) and other state and education officials.

"The lawsuit alleged that SBAC is 'an unconstitutional interstate compact that was not approved by Congress, in violation of the Compact Clause of the U.S. Constitution, Article I, Section 3, Clause 10,' wrote Gassel at Missouri Education Watchdog, which she co-edits along with Logue. 'The suit also alleged that Governor Nixon and Commissioner Nicastro's course of conduct in committing Missouri to Common Core was in violation of numerous federal and state statutes.'" (Dr. Susan Berry, Feb. 2015)

Cole County Circuit Judge Daniel Green ruled Tuesday February 25, 2015 that the interstate consortium that is creating one of the tests aligned with the Common Core standards is an "unlawful interstate compact to which the U.S. Congress has never consented."

This is of importance to California because we are one of the states who use the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC). Is the Missouri ruling the shot across the bow, letting other state representatives and activists know that the precedent has been set and it is time to act now, or should we sit and see how the higher court rule?

In Congress right now our representatives are discussing the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), currently recognized as No Child Left Behind. Teachers and parents alike are hoping that our representatives recognize that we need more time for teaching and less time for testing and test prep. Also on the congressional agenda is the Strengthening Education through Research Act S.222 (SETRA), which will violate the privacy of children and parents if passed by expanding the psychological profiling of children. This is being voted on now so I do not have the results as of today; I hope I have good news to report next time in regards to these two acts in Congress right now.

As it stands now, with testing season soon upon us, we are left with few options, one being able to opt out your child of the SBAC, or imploring your son or daughter to opt your grandchild out. Opt out forms can be found at the Pacific Justice Institute site, [www.pacificjustice.org](http://www.pacificjustice.org)





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**Corona Norco Republican Women, Federated**

**MARCH MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT!**

**GUEST SPEAKER:**  
**DR. PAUL CHABOT**



Dr. Paul Chabot is a military intelligence officer who served in Iraq and is the author of a several books. He has appeared on Fox, CNN, and other media outlets. Paul served in the White House, U.S. State Department, U.S. Department of Justice and the Pentagon. He returned to California and served three terms as a State Parole Board Commissioner. Join us for a talk with Paul who is running again for Congress, for the 2016 election.

**WHEN:** 6:30pm-8:30pm  
**Thursday, March 26, 2015**  
**WHERE:** Marie Calendars  
160 E Rincon St, Corona, CA 92879

  
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**Also featuring**  
**Tom Del Beccaro** the Former Chairman to the California Republican Party and author of "The Divided Era." Tom Del Beccaro writes a column for Forbes on tax policy and national politics and has contributed articles to Investor's Business Daily, Rasmussen Reports, USA Today, National Review, Politico and The Washington Times. He is a commentator with regular appearances on FOX, ABC, CBS and NBC affiliates in California discussing current events in politics

**"Potential US Senate Candidate"**

**SATURDAY MAY 9TH, 2015**  
**1:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

**Admission: \$30.00 Refreshments included**  
**Empire Polo Club**  
**81-800 Ave. 51 Indio, CA**  
**Rose Garden Pavilion**  
**Thanks to the generous support of Alex Haagen**

Proceeds go to support East Valley high school students. The Future Republicans Engaging In Education (F.R.E.E.) program selects and funds several students to attend a Reagan Ranch Conservative Conference.

**For your convenience purchase tickets online at our website [www.eastvalleyrwwf.org](http://www.eastvalleyrwwf.org)**  
**Mail Payment to PO Box 10323 Palm Desert, Ca 92255**  
**Or pay at the door. Can't attend? Donations accepted.**  
**R.S.V.P. to Jean 760-200-1051 or Sue at 760-772-7096**

**Directions:** From Interstate 10 take the Monroe St. Exit. Head south on Monroe St. The main entrance to the Rose Garden Pavilion is located on Monroe St. There will be signs for the Tack Room Tavern. Rose Garden Pavilion is just west of the Tack Room Tavern.  
High School students and teachers with students, admitted free with an ID.

**PRESENTED BY:**  
**TVRWF**  
TV Republican Women Federation

**SHOP CHIC FOR A CAUSE**  
Fashion Show Fundraiser

**Sunday, April 19**  
**2:00 - 4:00 pm**

**Bear Creek Golf Club**  
22640 Bear Creek Dr. N.  
Murrieta, CA 92562

**\$30 per person**

**APPETIZERS**  
**NO HOST BAR**  
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**GUEST SPEAKER**  
Ann Marie Murrell  
PolitiChicks

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**HAVING A PARTY??**

**If your club is having an event, the County Line is a great place to get the word out! Just send your flyer, preferably in PDF format, and it will be in the next edition.**

**Send to: [ehenderson@dc.rr.com](mailto:ehenderson@dc.rr.com)**

**Also send your information to Johnny Hildreth, website manger for Riverside County Republican Party at :**

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**COUNTY LINE****RIVERSIDE COUNTY CLUB PRESIDENTS REPORTS****East Valley RWF***Joy Meidecke, President*

East Valley Republican Women Federated is very excited to share the news!

Our "Future Republicans Engaging in Education" Fund-raiser this year will be held in the beautiful Rose Garden at the Empire Polo Grounds in Indio. The date is May 9th and our Guest Speakers are the Fabulous Politichicks and our former Chairman of the California Republican Party, Tom Del Bacarro!

We have chosen 6 young ladies starting their Senior Year at Desert Mirage High School in the Mecca Area of the Coachella Valley and a young man attending Shadow Hills High School in North Indio. These young people will attend a 3 day, 2 night conference at the Reagan Ranch and afterwards 2 will be picked for our IPO Program where we will introduce them to Stockbrokers, Bankers, Elected Officials and other people who can explain all the things that will be possible for their future. If they are an IPO, shares will be sold at \$10 each (an actual Certificate exist). This year the two young people in our program will be given checks for around \$1500 each. Its such an amazing process and to see children, that because of origin or location, will never know about "OUR" way of Government be able to experience all of this is probably the most rewarding thing a club could experience.

Thank you to all of the wonderful people who have participated and will participate in the future! Our goal is simple and sweet. Educate the next generation so that they can experience the freedoms our country holds.

**Corona Norco RWF***Evelyn Haupt, President*

At our March 26th meeting Dr. Paul Chabot talked about his game plan to run for Congress.

Fundraiser: We are collecting unwanted textiles for our recycle program which covers the costs of shipping care packages over seas to service members.

**THANK GOD FOR SPELL CHECK**

I have a spelling checker

It came with my PC;

It plainly marks four my revue

Mistakes I cannot sea.

I've run this poem threw it,

I'm sure your pleased too no,

Its letter perfect in its weigh,

My checker tolled me sew.

**Temecula Valley RWF***Julie Gilbert, President*

Spring is springing at Temecula Valley RWF! We are all very excited as our Fashion Show Fundraiser on April 19<sup>th</sup> is imminent. To be held at beautiful Bear Creek Resort, the fashions will be provided by everyone's favorite, Chico's, modeled by 4 club members. We'll also hear from the always-fabulous and fun Ann-Marie Murrell, of PolitiChicks! In addition, there will be lovely appetizers, desserts, and a no-host bar. It's sure to be a great time, and I hope to see ALL of you there. Please visit our website [www.tvrwf.org](http://www.tvrwf.org) to see the flyer, which includes a link where you can purchase tickets.

We also had a fabulous meeting March 17<sup>th</sup>, with speaker Trevor Loudon. All 82 people in attendance were riveted by his stunning revelations regarding where the policies governing our nation are coming from (i.e., communist influenced members of the "Democratic Socialist of America", including dozens of Democrats in Congress and other elected offices throughout the nation – whose names you would recognize). He laid out a grim future if we can't elect a Republican president in 2016, but had everyone on their feet when he presented his brilliant idea for how to do that. I suggest inviting Trevor to your club if possible. (And, if not, I urge you to Google him and watch his presentation.)

Happy Easter to you all from TVRWF.

**Riverside RWF***Shelly Lindekugel, President*

The Riverside Republican Women are hard at work planning our April Fashion Show which benefits our award winning "Caring for America" project – Dictionaries for Third Graders. Last year, we donated over 1500 dictionaries to local schools. Some of our members made visits to the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classrooms in February. We were all astonished at the level of gratitude these children expressed for this gift. We talked about Republican Presidents, how they use their dictionaries and what they like about them. Our guest speaker for our April Luncheon is Elise Richmond, host of the radio talk show, "Conservatively Speaking" on KNWZ 94.3 in Palm Desert.

The RRWF is also hard at work planning our spring voter registration tables at various local events. Currently we have 5 separate dates for voter registration set for April/ May.

We meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month at the Victoria Country Club in Riverside. You're always invited!



***COUNTY LINE*****MIDDLE CLASS FAMILIES STAND TO LOSE MOST UNDER NEW "GREEN ENERGY" PLAN**

By Senator Pat Bates (R-36th SD)

We all want clean air to breathe and clean water to drink, and California absolutely should set realistic environmental goals for our children and future generations. But how we get there cannot come at the expense of families and California jobs.

As you may have heard on the news a few weeks ago, some in Sacramento introduced renewable energy proposals that will make California's existing laws even stricter. As a member of the Senate Environmental Quality Committee, I am concerned that these proposals will cause higher energy prices and threaten jobs because of excessive regulatory rules.

Take the Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS) for example. It is a regulation from the California Air Resources Board that went into effect in 2007. It requires a certain amount of alternative fuels to be blended into the mix of gasoline we buy at the pump. There are not enough alternative fuels available because production costs are too high for a new product that can comply with the LCFS standards. There is no way to enforce this regulation.

That same flawed logic is driving the new proposals. California is already working to meet new emission standards by 2020, and small business owners are already doing their part to comply. We should focus on meeting the 2020 goals first before adding stricter mandates that are sure to add more costs.

The California Manufacturing and Technology Association estimates that there will be 262,000 fewer jobs in California by 2020; how many more middle-class and lower income workers will lose their jobs because of these new proposals if they are implemented or become law?

As a lifelong Californian, I am excited about the opportunities that new technologies and scientific discoveries provide for us as we work to address the challenges we face. I am hopeful that we can craft a statewide energy plan that provides for both meaningful advances in addressing emissions and protections for California's diverse economy. I am committed to working with both Democrats and Republicans to do so.

Sign up for my newsletter at [senate.ca.gov/bates](http://senate.ca.gov/bates), following me on Twitter @SenatorPatBates and liking me on Facebook.

**CFRW 2015 40th SPRING CONFERENCE AND ADVOCACY**

Returns to Sacramento

APRIL 20 & 21, 2015

Holiday Inn Express

Rooms: \$119, plus applicable taxes

Reservations: 916-444-4436

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**PER CAPITA WORKSHOP/ NEW NFRW DATA BASE**

Frederika VerHulst, NFRW Membership Director

**SPEAKERS**

State Senator Andy Vidak & CRF Vice Chairman Harmeet Dhillon

Invited Speakers: Assemblywoman & Republican Caucus Chair Kristen Olson, State Senator Janet Nguyen, Assemblywomen Catherine Baker, Ling Chang, and Young Kim..

**STUDENTS' PROGRAM**

A private showing of Dinesh D'Souza's AMERICA, an educational version for students.

Possible Skype interview with Mr. D'Souza.

**BE A LEADER AND JOIN US!!**



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