



TUSTIN RWF

Tustin Area Republican Women Federated

February 2018 Newsletter



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

January was a busy month for Republican women. President Trump gave a great State of the Union address and it was compared by many to President Reagan. It was his best speech to date as he reflected on his first year in the White House. He enumerated his many great accomplishments and was given standing ovations except for the Democrats who refused to clap or stand.

Five of our members accompanied me to the Southern Division meeting at the Costa Mesa Golf and Country Club. Paula Prizio, Ginger Banko, Pat Micone, Judy Levine and Candida Long joined me in representing our club.

Our January luncheon was well attended including special guests, the Honorable Claude Parrish, Orange County Assessor. The guest speaker was Attorney Brad Dacus, President of the Pacific Justice Institute. He and his organization provide free legal representation to citizens denied Religious Freedom, Parental Rights and other civil liberty cases. Mr. Dacus shared with us many examples of cases past and present. He announced volunteer opportunities and suggested we call Linda at 916-857-6900 for more information.

On February tenth, 7 of us attended the CFRW Winter Board of Directors meeting in Long Beach. The theme is Waves of Women and workshops addressed Membership, Ways and Means and other important issues. Journalist James O'Keefe shared with us some of his investigations and insights into our current political environment. I look forward to seeing you all February 23rd for our Candidates Forum where you will have an opportunity to meet and ask questions of our local Candidates running for offices here in Orange County. Make your reservations soon, I'll see you then.
LindaBarcelona



Greetings Friends and Fellow Patriots February, 2018

It's February 2018! May God Bless America! Land of the Free...Home of the Brave. That's US...we are the US of A! ☺

Let us once again reflect on **God's Grace** in helping us achieve a historic and miraculous **Republican Victory** one year ago...and may we all keep reminded of the truths, values and principles we hold dear that keep us humble and grateful!

We are thrilled to report that we have received year to date **114 Regular**

Membership Renewals and **23 Associate Renewals**...**Thank YOU faithful**

Members! We are also elated to tout **4 new Regular Members and 1 Regular**

Sustaining Member. Please give your warmest welcome to: **Elaine Meyer** of Santa Ana and **Lorraine Volpe** of Irvine (both were Associate members last year);

Jennifer Yomogida of Irvine; **Francine Scinto** of North Tustin, a **Sustaining New Member**; and **Loveda Prescott** of Lake Forest.

We now only have **32 Regular members remaining** to anticipate receiving their renewal form and check for \$30 for 2018. ☺ **THANK YOU** in advance for support of our wonderful club and for sending in your renewal form and \$30 check

ASAP. Remember that **YOU** are our **'Member Grass Roots Army'** and we look forward to being with you ready to stand firm & serve our local OCGOP in 2018 for this very crucial 2018 mid- year elections. **Feel free to call Pat or Gretchen if you need a form, and our contact phone numbers are at bottom of letter.** ☺

We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming February 23^d meeting ...speaker to be announced soon. Our **HHP- Happy Hour Politics** meetings will resume starting on February 15th (**3rd Thursday evenings from 6-7:30 pm at Mimi's in Tustin**). Our goal is to reach out to **Working & Regular** members and garner more **NEW**

MEMBERS who are unable to attend our daytime meetings. We enjoy casual discussion of hot topics and current issues. Our heartfelt gratitude goes to our President, **Linda Barcelona**, our 2017 Treasurer, **Sarah O'Neill**, and our Ways & Means Chair,

Maureen Coddington... for their dedicated extra time & effort to organize this after-hours venue so that more working women can be included and become more informed and hopefully join us. ☺

Please continue to consider where your abilities, interests, passions and talents may lie. We look forward to helping you get more involved so you can feel more a part of, connected, and can have more fun serving your community & country. **WE NEED EACH ONE of YOU!!** Please email or call so we can match you up to volunteer for something you enjoy doing.

THANK YOU for inviting your friends and family to attend both our **General & HHP Meetings.**

*We wish you the start of a most **Blessed New Year in 2018***

Keep **ENGAGED, EDUCATED, ENCOURAGED, and EMPOWERED** to achieve success in 2018

Your **TARWF Membership Team,**
Gretchen Whisler Pat Micone
Membership Secretary Membership Chair



TARWF

HAPPY HOUR POLITICS

Thursday February 15th

Mimi's Cafe (17th/55 Fwy) 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Discussion Outline

Welcome - Sarah O'Neill

Welcome and Introduction of Board and Attendees

National, State and County Updates – Linda Barcelona, President

SOTU; The Memo; Other News Headlines; Open Discussion

What's next? – Maureen Coddington

Networking, Youth Involvement, Upcoming Programs

Participation Opportunities – Pat Micone and Gretchen Whisler

Club Newsletter, Social Media, Young Republicans

All are welcome, and please bring a friend!

RSVP and Questions: soneill2007@yahoo.com



Foothill High School Carolers
entertaining at TARWF
Christmas luncheon



Installation of TARWF 2018
Board of Directors.

Tustin Area Republican Women Federated Cordially Invite You To Our

February 23, 2018 Meeting and Luncheon

Our Program in February will be a **Candidates Forum** with

- **Tony Rackauckas** running for re-election as
2018 Orange County District Attorney
- Orange County Supervisor **Todd Spitzer**
Running for Orange County District Attorney
- **Dave Harrington**, running for Orange County Sheriff
Harrington • Aliso Viejo Mayor
29 year Veteran of the Sheriff's Department
Pledges to Reform and Modernize O.C. Sheriff's Department
- Other candidates to be confirmed

Each candidate will express their views openly so the audience members
can understand their positions and make informed choices

Join us on **Friday, February 23, 2018 - 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM**
Doors open for Check-in at 10:30 AM

RSVP by Monday, February 19, 2018
Mary Hardin at hardinmary@gmail.com

\$30 for Members and \$35 for Guests

Meeting and Luncheon held at
Tustin Ranch Golf Club • 12442 Tustin Ranch Rd., Tustin CA 92782



For Governor

Travis Allen is the current state Assemblyman for CA District 72 since 2012. Prior to being elected, Travis was a financial planner.

John Cox is an accountant, successful businessman and broadcaster residing in San Diego.

Doug Ose is a former Congressman from CA District 3 and a successful businessman in the Sacramento area.

For Attorney General

Judge Steven Bailey was an El Dorado County Superior Court Judge since 2009, and has retired to run for Attorney General.

Eric Early is the managing partner with Early Sullivan Wright Gizer & McRae, LLP.

For U.S. Senate

Erin Cruz is a Constitutional conservative known for commentary, strategy and analysis of multiple policy areas. She is the author of *Revolution America*:

Communication Toolbox for the Modern Conservative American Woman.

John Estrada is a business owner and Republican activist and been a campaign manager for two candidates.

Paul Taylor is a conservative Republican and supporter of President Trump.

For Secretary of State

Mark Meuser Entrepreneur owning his first business at 21 and is a practicing attorney specializing in civil litigation.



ORANGE COUNTY GUN SHOW

Carlene Cunningham manning the TARWF table at the OC gun show.



Subject: Trump's lack of decorum, dignity, and statesmanship

This is what so many of us have been saying...but this guy sure says it better:

HE FIGHTS by Evan Sayet

My Leftist friends (as well as many ardent #NeverTrumpers) constantly ask me if I'm not bothered by Donald Trump's lack of decorum. They ask if I don't think his tweets are "beneath the dignity of the office."

Here's my answer:

We Right-thinking people have tried dignity. There could not have been a man of more quiet dignity than George W. Bush as he suffered the outrageous lies and politically motivated hatreds that undermined his presidency.

We tried statesmanship. Could there be another human being on this earth who so desperately prized "collegiality" as John McCain?

We tried propriety – has there been a nicer human being ever than Mitt Romney?

And the results were always the same. This is because, while we were playing by the rules of dignity, collegiality and propriety, the Left has been, for the past 60 years, engaged in a knife fight where the only rules are those of Saul Alinsky and the Chicago mob.

I don't find anything "dignified," "collegial" or "proper" about Barack Obama's lying about what went down on the streets of Ferguson in order to ramp up racial hatreds because racial hatreds serve the Democratic Party. I don't see anything "dignified" in lying about the deaths of four Americans in Benghazi and imprisoning an innocent filmmaker to cover your tracks. I don't see anything "statesman-like" in weaponizing the IRS to be used to destroy your political opponents and any dissent. Yes, Obama was "articulate" and "polished" but in no way was he in the least bit "dignified," "collegial" or "proper."

The Left has been engaged in a war against America since the rise of the Children of the '60s. To them, it has been an all-out war where nothing is held sacred and nothing is seen as beyond the pale. It has been a war they've fought with violence, the threat of violence, demagoguery and lies from day one – the violent take-over of the universities – till today.

The problem is that, through these years, the Left has been the only side fighting this war. While the Left has been taking a knife to anyone who stands in their way, the Right has continued to act with dignity, collegiality and propriety. With Donald Trump, this all has come to an end. Donald Trump is America's first wartime president in the Culture War.

During wartime, things like "dignity" and "collegiality" simply aren't the most essential qualities one looks for in their warriors. Ulysses Grant was a drunk whose behavior in peacetime might well have seen him drummed out of the Army for conduct unbecoming. Had Abraham Lincoln applied the peacetime rules of propriety and booted Grant, the Democrats might well still be holding their slaves today. Lincoln rightly recognized that, "I cannot spare this man. He fights."

General George Patton was a vulgar-talking, son-of-a-bitch. In peacetime, this might have seen him stripped of rank. But, had Franklin Roosevelt applied the normal rules of decorum then, Hitler and the Socialists would barely be five decades into their thousand-year Reich.

Trump is fighting. And what's particularly delicious is that, like Patton standing over the battlefield as his tanks obliterated Rommel's, he's shouting, "You magnificent bastards, I read your book!"

That is just the icing on the cake, but it's wonderful to see that not only is Trump fighting, he's defeating the Left using their own tactics. That book is Saul Alinsky's Rules for Radicals – a book so essential to the Liberals' war against America that it is and was the playbook for the entire Obama administration and the subject of Hillary Clinton's senior thesis. It is a book of such pure evil, that, just as the rest of us would dedicate our book to those we most love or those to whom we are most indebted, Alinsky dedicated his book to Lucifer.

Trump's tweets may seem rash and unconsidered but, in reality, he is doing exactly what Alinsky suggested his followers do. First, instead of going after "the fake media" — and they are so fake that they have literally gotten every single significant story of the past 60 years not just wrong, but diametrically opposed to the truth, from the Tet Offensive to Benghazi, to what really happened on the streets of Ferguson, Missouri — Trump isolated CNN. He made it personal.

Then, just as Alinsky suggests, he employs ridicule which Alinsky described as "the most powerful weapon of all." .. Most importantly, Trump's tweets have put CNN in an untenable and unwinnable position. ... They need to respond. This leaves them with only two choices. They can either "go high" (as Hillary would disingenuously declare of herself and the fake news would disingenuously report as the truth) and begin to honestly and accurately report the news or they can double-down on their usual tactics and hope to defeat Trump with twice their usual hysteria and demagoguery.

The problem for CNN (et al.) with the former is that, if they were to start honestly reporting the news, that would be the end of the Democratic Party they serve. It is nothing but the incessant use of fake news (read: propaganda) that keeps the Left alive. Imagine, for example, if CNN had honestly and accurately reported then-candidate Barack Obama's close ties to foreign terrorists (Rashid Khalidi), domestic terrorists (William Ayers), the mafia (Tony Rezko) or the true evils of his spiritual mentor, Jeremiah Wright's church.

Imagine if they had honestly and accurately conveyed the evils of the Obama administration's weaponizing of the IRS to be used against their political opponents or his running of guns to the Mexican cartels or the truth about the murder of Ambassador Christopher Stevens and the Obama administration's cover-up.

So, To my friends on the Left — and the #NeverTrumpers as well — do I wish we lived in a time when our president could be “collegial” and “dignified” and “proper”? Of course I do. These aren't those times. This is war. And it's a war that the Left has been fighting without opposition for the past 50 years. So, say anything you want about this president - I get it - he can be vulgar, he can be crude, he can be undignified at times. I don't care. I can't spare this man. He fights for America!



January 17, 2018

What I Learned in the Peace Corps in Africa: Trump Is Right

By [Karin McQuillan](#)

Three weeks after college, I flew to Senegal, West Africa, to run a community center in a rural town. Life was placid, with no danger, except to your health. That danger was considerable, because it was, in the words of the Peace Corps doctor, "a fecalized environment."

In plain English: s--- is everywhere. People defecate on the open ground, and the feces is blown with the dust – onto you, your clothes, your food, the water. He warned us the first day of training: do not even touch water. [Human feces carries parasites](#) that bore through your skin and cause organ failure.

Never in my wildest dreams would I have imagined that a few decades later, liberals would be pushing the lie that Western civilization is no better than a third-world country. Or would teach two generations of our kids that loving your own culture and wanting to preserve it are racism.

Last time I was in Paris, I saw a beautiful African woman in a grand boubou have her child defecate on the sidewalk next to Notre Dame Cathedral. The French police officer, ten steps from her, turned his head not to see.

I have seen. I am not turning my head and pretending unpleasant things are not true. Senegal was not a hellhole. Very poor people can lead happy, meaningful lives in their own cultures' terms. But they are not our terms. The excrement is the least of it. Our basic ideas of human relations, right and wrong, are incompatible.

As a twenty-one-year-old starting out in the Peace Corps, I loved Senegal. In fact, I was euphoric. I quickly made friends and had an adopted family. I relished the feeling of the brotherhood of man. People were open, willing to share their lives and, after they knew you, their innermost thoughts.

The longer I lived there, the more I understood: it became blindingly obvious that the Senegalese are not the same as us. The truths we hold to be self-evident are not evident to the Senegalese. How could they be? Their reality is totally different. You can't understand anything in Senegal using American terms.

Take something as basic as family. Family was a few hundred people, extending out to second and third cousins. All the men in one generation were called

"father." Senegalese are Muslim, with up to four wives. Girls had their clitorises cut off at puberty. (I witnessed this, at what I thought was going to be a nice coming-of-age ceremony, like a bat mitzvah or confirmation.) Sex, I was told, did not include kissing. Love and friendship in marriage were Western ideas. Fidelity was not a thing. Married women would have sex for a few cents to have cash for the market.

What I did witness every day was that women were worked half to death. Wives raised the food and fed their own children, did the heavy labor of walking miles to gather wood for the fire, drew water from the well or public faucet, pounded grain with heavy hand-held pestles, lived in their own huts, and had conjugal visits from their husbands on a rotating basis with their co-wives. Their husbands lazed in the shade of the trees. Yet family was crucial to people there in a way Americans cannot comprehend.

The Ten Commandments were not disobeyed – they were unknown. The value system was the exact opposite. You were supposed to steal everything you can to give to your own relatives. There are some Westernized Africans who try to rebel against the system. They fail.

We hear a lot about the kleptocratic elites of Africa. The kleptocracy extends through the whole society. My town had a medical clinic donated by international agencies. The medicine was stolen by the medical workers and sold to the local store. If you were sick and didn't have money, drop dead. [That was normal.](#)

So here in the States, when we discovered that my 98-year-old father's Muslim health

aide from Nigeria had stolen his clothes and wasn't bathing him, I wasn't surprised. It was familiar.

In Senegal, corruption ruled, from top to bottom. Go to the post office, and the clerk would name an outrageous price for a stamp. After paying the bribe, you still didn't know it if it would be mailed or thrown out. That was normal.

One of my most vivid memories was from the clinic. One day, as the wait grew hotter in the 110-degree heat, an old woman two feet from the medical aides – who were chatting in the shade of a mango tree instead of working – collapsed to the ground. They turned their heads so as not to see her and kept talking. She lay there in the dirt. Callousness to the sick was normal.

Americans think it is a universal human instinct to do unto others as you would have them do unto you. It's not. It seems natural to us because we live in a Bible-based Judeo-Christian culture.

We think the Protestant work ethic is universal. It's not. My town was full of young men doing nothing. They were waiting for a government job. There was no private enterprise. Private business was not illegal, just impossible, given the nightmare of a third-world bureaucratic kleptocracy. It is also incompatible with Senegalese insistence on taking care of relatives.

All the little stores in Senegal were owned by Mauritians. If a Senegalese wanted to run a little store, he'd go to another country. The reason? Your friends and relatives would ask you for stuff for free, and you would have to say yes. End of your business. You are not allowed to be a selfish individual and say no to relatives. The result: Everyone has nothing.

The more I worked there and visited government officials doing absolutely nothing, the more I realized that no one in Senegal had the idea that a job means work. A job is something given to you by a relative. It provides the place where you steal everything to give back to your family.

I couldn't wait to get home. So why would I want to bring Africa here? Non-Westerners do not magically become American by arriving on our shores with a visa. For the rest of my life, I enjoyed the greatest gift of the Peace Corps: I love and treasure America more than ever. I take seriously my responsibility to defend our culture and our country and pass on the American heritage to the next generation.

[African problems](#) are made worse by our aid efforts. Senegal is full of smart, capable people. They will eventually solve their own country's problems. They will do it on their terms, not ours. The solution is not to bring Africans here.

We are lectured by Democrats that we must privilege third-world immigration by the hundred million with chain migration. They tell us we must end [America as a white](#), Western, Judeo-Christian, capitalist nation – to prove we are not racist. I don't need to prove a thing. Leftists want open borders because they resent whites, resent Western achievements, and hate America. They want to destroy America as we know it.

As President Trump asked, why would we do that?

We have the right to choose what kind of country to live in. I was happy to donate a year of my life as a young woman to help the poor Senegalese. I am not willing to donate my country.





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Dear 2/11 Marine Friends and Supporters,

What an amazing year 2017 was. Our organization turned 10 years old! As we look back over the years, we are amazed at all that has been accomplished. Everyone who has ever been associated with our organization should be very proud of their contributions. Your donated in-kind gifts, monetary gifts, time, talent, and expertise are the reasons our organization is the success that it is today. We couldn't have done any of it for the Marines and their families without you. We absolutely have the best supporters and volunteers around!

As we enter 2018, we'd like to look back over a few of our biggest 2017 Fall events. Below are photos from the 11th Marine Regimental Trunk or Treat, November Albertson's Thanksgiving Meal Drive, November & December City of Irvine & IMAC Toy Drive, and the annual 2/11 Marine Holiday Party. Each one of these events and the smaller events that supported them, constituted hundreds of volunteers and thousands of volunteer hours. The events were all deemed a success by the 2/11 Marines, their families and our organization.

The Marines and their families take every chance they get to convey their appreciation to the City of Irvine, the Irvine 2/11 Marine Adoption Committee and all the individuals, organizations, businesses and Veteran groups that support them. They share how they have never experienced this type of support anywhere else they have been stationed in their military careers.

Our organization is always looking for volunteers to help throughout the year planning events, working behind the scenes and numerous other small jobs to keep our committee running. It doesn't take much of your time to make a huge impact on our Marines. Please consider joining us at one of our monthly volunteer committee meetings to learn more. We meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Lakeview Senior Center, 20 Lake Road, Irvine, CA 92604. Our meetings run from 6:00pm until 7:30pm. Everyone is invited.

On a personal note, I want to share that after ten years of volunteering with our organization, I am being told by my doctors that I need to take a less active and less physical role with the committee. While the news breaks my heart, as it has been an absolute honor to volunteer with the organization and its amazing people, I must heed their advice and step down from the role of President. I have conveyed to the City of Irvine that I will continue to work in whatever capacity they deem appropriate. It is my sincere desire to support the organization and see it continue to succeed. The transition will be a slow and methodical one. We appreciate your help and patience during the process.

There are already exciting events planned for 2018. I hope you are able to join us and experience first hand the joy of giving back to the men and women who serve so proudly.

In sincere appreciation for your continued support,

Tina Anderson
President
Irvine 2/11 Marine Adoption Committee



In his first State of the Union address, **President Donald Trump**, America's Builder-in-Chief, called on leaders of both parties in Congress to come together to deliver the safe, reliable, and modern infrastructure that the American people deserve.

Principles of the American Infrastructure Initiative

BUILD IT FAST

The Administration's proposal will spur at least \$1.5 trillion of investment to address our crumbling infrastructure and prepare the United States for opportunities ahead.

- The President is asking Congress to approve legislation that, when matched with State, local, and/or private dollars, will generate at least \$1.5 trillion in new infrastructure investment.
- The goal is to permanently fix the infrastructure deficit.

Fix the broken permit process so America can become a global infrastructure leader.

- American workers built the Empire State Building in just 1 year — it can now take 10 years to get approval to build a highway.
- We must streamline the permitting and approval process — getting it down to no more than two years.

BUILD FOR THE PEOPLE

Return decision-making to the States.

- In the past, the Federal Government selected projects and programs based upon Federal preferences leading to waste, mismanagement, and misplaced priorities.
- The answer to our Nation's infrastructure needs is not more boondoggle projects selected by bureaucrats in Washington, D.C.
- We want to empower States and localities to invest in the projects they want, without being burdened by the Federal Government's red tape and bureaucracy which impede creativity, adds costs, and slows down the process.
- The President's plan designates \$100 billion to be used as matching funds for State, local, and private investment. This way, everyone has an interest in a positive outcome.
- It also broadens existing authorities to delegate environmental review and permitting responsibilities to the States.

BUILD FOR THE FUTURE

Sustain prosperous rural economies by providing significant investment in rural infrastructure to address unmet needs.

- The President's proposal dedicates \$50 billion to enable rural America to address its unique infrastructure challenges, rebuilding, and modernizing bridges, roads, water and wastewater assets, water resources, waterways, power generation assets, and broadband.

Support transformative projects that lift American spirits and unleash GDP growth.

- The President's plan dedicates \$20 billion to spur competition around bold, innovative, and transformative infrastructure projects that dramatically improve future infrastructure.

Prepare the American worker for the jobs of tomorrow.

- This proposal will generate new projects to increase employment in the construction industry and boost the demand for labor more broadly.
- This Administration is committed to helping more individuals access affordable, relevant, quality education and skills-development that lead to full-time work and long-term careers, including expanding Pell Grant eligibility to high-quality, short-term programs and reforming licensing requirements for individuals seeking an infrastructure project job.

As the builder-in-chief, President Trump is committed to building a stronger America. No part of the country will be left behind.



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