

2022-2023: CFRW Membership Goals Awards * NFRW Diamond Award Club * NFRW CA Political & Campaign Hours Award

2025 Events Calendar

- Sep 1: Labor Day
- Sep 5-7: CAGOP fall 2025 **Convention, Orange County**
- Sep 8: Monday Field Trip to Troopathon - pack care boxes for troops
- Sep 11: Patriot Day
- Sep 12: Sheriff Chad Bianco Dinner in San Rafael, **Marin GOP events**
- Sep 17: Constitution Day
- Sep 24: MRWF luncheon 11:30am-1:00pm, McInnis Club Restaurant, San Rafael. **Board Meeting at 9:45am**
- Sep 25: Thursday, MarinGOP Central Committee 7pm, **Drakes Landing, Greenbrae**
- Sep 26: MRWF Satellite Club, 6-9pm, San Anselmo
- Sep 25-28: NFRW Biennial 43rd Convention, Orlando, FL

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Sept. 24th Luncheon Meeting, Wednesday,

The Club Restaurant at McInnis Park, 350 Smith Ranch Road, San Rafael 11:30 am - 1:30 pm

Meet Two Women Who Escaped Tyranny to Become American Citizens

Speaker: Lydia Kanno, President, Califonia Federation of Republican Lydia is traveling to the National Federation of Republican Women Convention in Orlando, FL on September 25th. She saw the opportunity to Meet & Greet with us on her travel stopover. Join us: meet an extraordinary person; hear her personal and family story of becoming a U.S. Citizen. Learn about CFRW's 100th Anniversary which will be celebrated October 2025 at our California State Convention in Costa Mesa.



Speaker: June Gilliam Topic: Truth vs. Tyranny: The Falun Gong Movement and the CCP's Transnational Repression



We are all familiar with the beautiful dance performance of Shen Yun. What we don't always know is that behind the stunning choreography, colorful costumes and integration of classical historical Chinese dance is a group of Falun Gong practitioners dedicated to the mission to showcase the beauty, majesty, and spirituality of China's 5,000-year-old civilization while the CCP continues its repressive campaign against them.

An ancient Chinese spiritual practice of mind and body, in 1992 Falun Gong was

introduced to the public in China by Mr. Li Hongzhi. Within 7 years, an estimated 100 million people in China were striving to adhere to Falun Gong's principles of "Truthfulness, Compassion, and Forbearance" — values that stand in stark contrast to the deceit and brutality of communist ideology.

Over the past 25 years, millions of Falun Gong practitioners have been detained, more than 100,000 sentenced, and it is reported that hundreds of thousands have been killed in forced organ harvesting.

Falun Gong has become one of the CCP's most resilient and unvielding critics, posing a direct and sustained challenge to its very existence. U.S. Congress members have also condemned CCP's transnational campaign of repression.

Please join us to learn more about this fight for freedom

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		Elise Vitale, 1st VP Programs
Reservations: \$ 38 members; \$ 40 non-members Deadline: Fri. Sept 19 th		
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President's Report

Lead by Example

If we don't lead by example, who will? As parents, grandparents, aunts, and uncles, we want to encourage the hunger for serious academic inquiry. As leaders, we applaud people and institutions that teach how to think, not what to think.

At least two conservative United States of America colleges encourage partnerships between students and faculty. They work on timeless questions of great thinkers and writers who asked questions about human purpose, justice and how to live.

In August, several members and I attended a presentation about Hillsdale College in Michigan. Its curriculum offers courses in Western and American History, the US Constitution, Great Books, math, logic, the arts and sciences and more, including sports teams. Hillsdale takes no taxpayer money. It is totally privately funded. The college promotes the principles of liberty. Hillsdale offers free online classes: https://www.hillsdale.edu/

They also have a K-12 curriculum!

https://k12.hillsdale.edu/Curriculum/Overview/

Media outlets cite James Uthemeier, Governor Ron Desantis' Chief of Staff, "The New College of Florida seeks to become Florida's Classical college...along the lines of a Hillsdale of the South." https://www.ncf.edu/

Principles of New College:

- *Personal Responsibility*: You, the student, bear ultimate responsibility for your own education.
- *Collaboration*: Quality education unites exciting instructors and enthusiastic students in a quest for learning.
- *Demonstrability*: The sign of educational progress is demonstrated mastery, not the accumulation of credits and grades.
- *Exploration*: Students deserve to immerse themselves in the exploration of their deepest interests.
- Freedom: No idea or expression is off-limits—as long as you're prepared to defend it against all challengers in a respectful exchange.

Mary Grove, President

Membership Report

Come join us . . . for our 'end-of-summer' fun. Get in to the fall season with our September events. Introduce your friends to us.

On-line: You may use this link for Membership payment: www.marinrepublicanwomen.com/membership-form.php.

By Check: You may mail your check payable to **MRWF** and thr form on Page 7. Membership@marinrepublicanwomen.com.

September 1st is Labor Day and pays tribute to contributions and achievements of American workers and is traditionally observed on the first Monday in September. It was created by the labor movement in the late 19th century and became a federal holiday in 1894; and came to symbolizie summers end for many. It is an annual celebration of workers and their achievements and it originated during one of American labor history's most dismal chapters. In the late 1800s, amidst the Industrial Revolution the average American worked 12-hour days and 7-day weeks in order to eke out a basic living. Despite restrictions in some states, children ages 5 or 6 toiled in mills, factories and mines across the country, earning a fraction of their adult counterparts' wages. The idea of a "workingmen's holiday," celebrated on the first Monday in September, caught on in industrial centers across the country, and many states passed legislation recognizing it. Congress did not legalize the holiday until a watershed moment in American labor history brought workers' rights squarely into the public's view. On May 11, 1894, employees of the Pullman Palace Car Company in Chicago went on strike to protest wage cuts and the firing of union representatives. In the wake of this massive unrest and in an attempt to repair ties with American workers, Congress passed an act making Labor Day a legal holiday in the District of Columbia and the territories. On June 28, 1894, President Grover Cleveland signed it into law. More than a century later, the true founder of Labor Day has yet to be identified.

Source: www.history.com.

Anitamarie Donato, 2nd VP Membership



Americanism

The Month We Celebrate Our Constitution

Constitution Day falls on September 17 and may be the one national holiday that most Americans have never heard of. Yet today it may be our most important holiday to understand because most all our pressing national problems are a direct result of corruption and/or departure from the governance and law enforcement described within this great document.

Our Constitution was carefully designed and drew from many different historical sources to take the basic concepts of freedom and develop a document that almost immediately became the envy of the civilized world. The most significant design aspects were putting the power in the hands of the people, not in government, and specifically limiting the power of a national government.

On this special holiday, here's a note of appreciation to John F. Di Leo for his 2022 essay, What Does the Constitution Mean to Me? — and, for this good reminder: "Our Founding Fathers risked — and gave — their lives to deliver us a tiny, severely limited government: too small to rule us, too honest to rob us, too weak to tyrannize us. As active citizens, our purpose in politics, from voting to opining to running, must be to return these United States to that noble legacy."

Anna Mae Maly, Americanism Chair

Member Birthdays

Summer birthday wishes to our July/August birthday members:

Regulars – JoAnn Bank, Patricia Bonderud, Margie Colin, Pat Derenzo, Elaine DeVincenzi, Arlene Fenstermaker, Shirley Graves, Rita Johnson, Elizabeth Potter, Jeanette Sahi, Kelly Shratter, Bonnie Stevens and Marilyn Zerbe. Associates – Diane Wall, Jack Wilkinson.

Fall birthday wishes to our September birthday members:

Regulars – Chris Baer, Cindy Eisenhower, Ingrid Gallagher, Laureen Schneeberger, Marilyn McCarthy, Ruth Holly; and Associate – Diane Ackerman.

Anitamarie Donato, 2nd VP Membership

Nominating Committee Report

The Nominating Committee was appointed in March 2025 and is in session. The committee has three members: Ruth Holly, Marie Behr and Faye Bourret.

Call to Action! Please call or email them if you are willing to serve. Put your hat in the ring to be nominated.

This committee is tasked to find, recruit and interview our Members who are willing to serve as Officers of our MRWF club for two years, 2026 - 2027. They also are interested in Members who are willing to serve as Chairman of various Club committees; those committees are listed on Page 5.

The recommended slate of officers will be published in the October 2025 Newsletter. The election will be held at the regular meeting on November 19th.

Thank you for stepping up!

Community Action Reports

Veterans

Here is what you can do to continue your support for our Veterans

Go to **Troopathon/Move America Forward** and support our Active Duty
Troops. Donate a package to a Trooper,
a Squad or a Platoon!

It is easy #1. This is your link:

https://www.troopathon.org/donate

It is easy #2. Join us for a Field Trip!

MRWF team will be **carpooling on Monday Sept. 8, 2025** to Sacramento to the Troopathon/MAF warehouse. We will pack boxes for sending to active duty troops. Text Anne at 415-302-0330 to reserve a spot in the carpool.

Anne Brenneis - Veterans Projects



MRWF Woman of the Year 2025



You are invited to send in your nomination

for

Marin Republican Woman of the Year 2025 by 10/17/2025

I wish to nominate My Comments:

Submit by 10/17/2025. To Submit email to Anitamarie

Donato bluesgiantsfan@yahoo.com

Past Honorees:

Bev Heinecke Cindy Eisenhower
Barbara Gifford Ilene Meyers
Carla McCloskey Kathryn Thompson
Sherry Johanson Judy Groesbeck
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Sue Campbell Sarah Nagle
Anne Brenneis Jane Maushardt
Chris Blackburn Mary Grove
Judith Walker Ruth Holly
Fave Bourret Elise Vitale

Elvira Lindemann

Satellite Club — Conservative Conversations, Cocktails, and Comestibles

I hope everyone has had a nice summer! We always have a lot to share after all of the activities and places we have traveled. Our president certainly has been busy cleaning things up. It has been so necessary. Too bad we can't keep him for another four years. It is rewarding to see the left going ballistic over EVERYTHING!

A bunch of us enjoyed two 'pop-up' Satellite events in August. On Sunday 8/17 we gathered at Mog-Asu Wine Bar in the Cove Shopping Center in Tiburon; we enjoyed the wine, light hors d'oeuvres and especially the bingo games and this chance to benefit our friends that operate the non-profit pre-natal care facility in Novato, Marin Pregnancy Clinic. They were our lunch speakers for our June lunch.

On Saturday 8/30 we joined the crowd at Andy's Market in San Rafael for a free evening of music by Pride & Joy, the best band in the Bay Area. What fun!

For September Satellite Club we will get together on Friday, September 26th at Marie Behr's home in San Anselmo. Please bring a dish to share and lots of conversation to fill the evening. It will be nice to catch up with everyone.

Beverly Erbel, Satellite Club Chair

Legislative Report

By Ruth Holly – MRWF Legislative reporter

Legislative Analysis and Some Facts That Affect Job Opportunities and Housing

AB-495 Family Preparedness Act of 2025 is a measure designed to allow the children of undocumented immigrants to stay in California even if their parents face deportation. It allows a caregiver to fill out a caregiver authorization affidavit under penalty of perjury stating that a child is living with them and allows the caregiver to enroll the child in school and make medical and mental health decisions for the child. The affidavit does not require parental consent or court appointment. Thank you to everyone who called or wrote to our legislators expressing their concern! Due to the public outcry and fiscal concerns the bill was stalled and sent to the Senate "suspense file" August 18th. The "suspense file" means a bill is on hold and not moving forward; however, it can also be taken out of suspense and continue to move forward.

Redistricting: California Republicans have filed a suit to delay a vote on Governor Newsom's plan to redistrict California until September 18th to allow a 30-day public review. Currently only 9 of the 52 congressional districts are held by Republicans. Democrats redrew the map in secret and are hoping to gain 5 Democratic seats. Voters in 2010 gave redistricting power to a bipartisan commission to draw a map each decade so that the districts are roughly equal which they did in 2021. The redistricting plan will easily pass the legislature since the Democrats have a supermajority of 75% and then be placed on the November ballot for a cost of greater than 200 million dollars.

H1B Visas: As of May 2023, there were over 1.2 million H1B visa holders in California. This year over 6900 California companies sponsored at least one H1B visa. Each H1B visa holder can bring their spouse and minor children into the US on H4 visas.

UC students: In 2024 the UC system enrolled 20,000 foreign undergraduates and 15,000 foreign graduate students which comprised over 11% of the total. The CSU by contrast enrolled close to 14,000 international students or about 3% of the students. The community colleges enrolled 14,500 foreign students or about 1%

Unauthorized: California is estimated to have at least 2.6 million unauthorized immigrants.

Real Estate: Approximately 3% of homes in California are owned by foreigners and in 2021 38% of purchasers were from Asia. Investors own approximately 19% of homes which is below the national average of 20%.

In 2022 there were about 440,000 occupied subsidized housing units which was over 7% of the total rental units.

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NFRW 43rd Biennial Convention Pursuing Greatness: 87 Years of Excellence Protecting and Defending America!

https://www.nfrw.org/convention-orlando2025

September 25-28, 2025
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Notify Mary Grove if you wish to attend Conventions



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Community Action Reports

Veterans (continued)



May 5,2025 – Anitamaire Donato and Faye Bourret with the VFW crew from Sacramento area, Post # 6158. We work with them on Mondays.

MRWF Field Trip Report

Field trips to pack boxes for active duty troops

Join Faye and all for the next trips Monday **Sept. 8, 2025.** We will be carpooling. Meet others at 8:15am on Highway 37 exit 'Atherton Ave.' Park-n-Ride. If no one else is there waiting just get on the highway and drive yourself. Text Faye for the address: if you need to.

Hand writing *Thank You* cards are Beverly Erbel, Jeanine Rossi and the Mary Elsbree crew. The Troops love those personal handwritten notes. Bonnie Stevens, Margaret St. John, Anna Mae Maly and Marilyn Hunter collect the newspaper crossword puzzles from their neighbors which we put in the care boxes also.

Constitution Day

September 17th

Fly your flag on this day!

And give a gift of U.S. Constitutions to your local schools. By California law, schools are to teach the Constitution on this day. Most schools do not know this; so you can help them.

Marin GOP Special Event - Sept. 12th



We are pleased to announce this exclusive dinner with an exciting candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor. Join us at Il David for a chance to dine with our next Governor!



Seats are VERY limited, so make your reservations now!

Join California Action for Legislative Accountability (CALA)

Please use the free sign up for CALA (<u>ca4la.net</u>) so you can receive legislative alerts which are customized for your own district. When your own Assembly member or Senator is on a committee voting on a bill of concern, you will get an email about the bill and what phone numbers to call and where to email to oppose or support the bills. This makes it quick and easy to make your voice heard where it matters most -- in your own district with YOUR representative.

Since most people do not take the time to call or email, a phone call or email from a constituent is assumed by your representative's office to represent the opinion of many people in the district.

The CALA alert contains an email that you can paste and send as well as links to the bills so you can read more about these bills.

Let your voice be heard! Even if your representative is not likely to agree with you, we can still make some bills "too hot to handle", such as **AB 495**, so they at least put them off for another year.

Source: Calvary Call to Action, Calvary Chapel San Jose https://www.calvarysj.org/



Sonja Shaw, Candidate 2026

California Superintendent of Public Schools

Tuesday September 9, 2025

Marin Country Club | 500 Country Club Drive, Novato, CA 94949

Check-in 11:00 | Speaker 11:30 | Lunch 12:15 \$38 Members & Associates | \$43 Guests

Register on-line at www.Novatorw.org
By email: lunchlady@novatorw.org
By phone:



9/25/2025 Thursday, 7:00 pm Drakes Landing Community Room Greenbrae, CA

MRWF Committees:

Newsletter – Faye Bourret

Community Service - Open

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Voter Registration - Open

Legislation – Ruth Holly

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Mamie Eisenhower Library Project - Mary Elsbree

Americanism - Anna Mae Maly

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The Price of Liberty is Eternal Vigilance – Thomas Jefferson

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I heard about MRWF from:		
My Name:		
Address: City, State, Zip: Phone: Email:		
I would like to help with:HospitalityVoter Registration PhoningCommunity Action Technology Events Other ways I can help:		
My Birthday month(for Newsletter recognition only). Mate's Name: :		
Send Newsletter via:Email (preferred- saves club mailing costs) MailBoth Email & Mail		
Membership Roster via:Email (preferred- saves club printing costs) ORHard Copy mailed – include additional \$5.00Hard Copy for pick up at meetings		
By Check: You may mail your check payable to MRWF and this form to: Anitamarie Donato, 1725 Marion Avenue Apt. L 6, Novato CA 94945-227 I		
On-line: You may also use our online form and payment site: www.marinrepublicanwomen.com/membership-form.php		

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