

The Rossmoor Republican

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Volunteer Needed for Finance Committee

The Republican Club is in the process of putting together a Finance Committee that would meet 2 or 3 times a year to review the Club's finances. Anyone interested should contact Fran Cavanaugh, Club President, and leave his/her name and e-mail address or telephone. Fran can be reached at cavanaugh@aol.com or 945-7211. Candidates will be interviewed in late May and the first meeting will be in July.

The Sharia Threat to America

The Club's speaker for May is Peter Friedman, a leading expert on "Sharia," the name for Islamic law and the code of conduct for Muslims. Deriving from the Koran and the example of the prophet Mohammed. Sharia is not a uniform set of precepts. There are wide differences among Muslims on the interpretation of Sharia law. Some interpretations are clearly anti-American in character.



Peter M. Friedman

Friedman has been a student of the Koran for four decades. He will touch on such subjects as the threat of Sharia to America, terrorist training camps located in America, how our government cooperates and supports Sharia through our financial system, and how Americans are unknowingly funding terrorism through their 401K accounts.

Friedman is a Vietnam veteran of the U.S. Navy and has been in the U.S. de-

fense industry since 1965. For over 20 years he has worked in undercover operations with the FBI and Department of Defense.

He is the Pleasant Hill Chapter Leader of ACT! For America, a nationwide anti-Sharia movement started by Brigitte Gabriel. Friedman appears regularly on "Brian Sussman" on KSFO and "Jim Franklin Live" on KMJ.

The Republican Club is delighted to present a guest who is a front-line leader on a topic of vital interest to Rossmoorians.

A blue dinner reservation form for May 11 is included in this issue of the Republican. The form MUST be returned by noon, Friday, May 6. Reservation questions: 947-5878

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New Club VP and Director

Owing to the untimely passing of Club Vice President Paul Beddia, President Fran Cavanaugh appointed **Carol Worthington**, longtime Club leader and volunteer, to fill Paul's remaining term. Fran also appointed **Mary Hufford** as Director at Large to fill the vacancy created by Carol's elevation. Both appointments were made according to the Club By-Laws.

Raffle Prizes Increased! \$50 Top Prize

The Republican Club of Rossmoor has increased the dollar amount of the dinner meeting raffle prizes. Starting with the May 11 dinner, there will be a third prize of \$20, a second prize of \$30, and a Grand Prize of \$50. These replace the previous three prizes of \$25 each. Ticket prices are unchanged: \$1 each, six for \$5, or 15 for \$10. We hope this will increase raffle ticket sales. If successful, we will make the new prize structure permanent. The profit from each month's raffle goes into the RCR treasury to support Republican events, causes, and candidates. Buy raffle tickets and get a shot at the new \$50 Grand Prize!



Our Club Operations

...President Fran Cavanaugh

There is more to the Republican Club of Rossmoor than you see on the surface. For the Club to function, it requires a dedicated group of members each of whom specializes in some aspect of the Club's operations. The elected officers easily come to mind---the president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer. But there are many others who donate their time and effort for the benefit of our Club. Some contribute by making our Club dinner meetings successful, some work on political issues, others handle recruiting efforts and membership records, maintain our Club web site, publish our Club directory, keep our members

informed through this newsletter and by telephone, and write Club articles for the Rossmoor News.

In this and subsequent issues of the Rossmoor Republican, we plan to describe one or more of these operations and tell you which Club members are responsible for it. You may see an aspect of the Club's operations that interests you and to which you could contribute. From this series of articles, you'll know who to contact.

This time, let's look at the hosted wine and beer bar. See the article *They Make it Happen*, below.

They Make It Happen

An always popular, always crowded area at our monthly dinner meetings is the "free" wine and beer bar. Our bartenders pour Woodbridge Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, and Henry Weinhard's Private Reserve beer. By popular demand, the Pinot Noir replaces the Lindeman's Shiraz which was served last year, and the Henry's is definitely more popular than the Sierra Nevada which it replaced.

More is involved in this effort than meets the eye. Two members go to buy the wine and beer, and then they store it in the Club's locker. Our two bartenders arrive well over an hour before each dinner meeting. They move the wine and beer from the locker to the bar and also set up the bar with ice, glasses, soft drinks, and peanuts. They then remain behind the bar to serve us throughout the social hour. After the dinner meeting,

they return the unopened bottles and other supplies to the locker. It's a long and busy evening for our volunteer bartenders.

Club members involved are Bud Lake and Tom Fryer who buy the adult beverages and transport them to the Club's locker. Kathleen Moschel and Noel Olsen are our usual bartenders. Kathleen also buys the peanuts and soft drinks. Our regular bartenders rarely miss an event but, when they do, Bob and Jeanette Martini fill in for them. These volunteers all deserve our thanks for making the bar operation a success and one of the great attractions of our dinner meetings.

By-the-way, that's not a "tip jar" you see on the bar. It's for donations----all of which go to support our political efforts and candidates.

Contact Kathleen Moschel at 943-6769 to help with our hosted bar.

Issues Committee Update

With Board approval, in early February the Issues Committee published in the Rossmoor News an opinion column *Your Personal Share of the National Debt*. The purpose was to draw the attention of Rossmoor residents to the problem of our growing national debt which is fueled by out-of-control government spending. In addition, there was a bar graph illustrating the growth of the debt over the last 35 years. The Committee also provides a scoreboard which appears in the News at the beginning of each month and will continue until the election of 2012. The scoreboard shows the current debt, the debt per person, and the increase in the latter from the last month. The Committee will likely write a second opinion column on this subject after the close of fiscal year 2011 and another after the close of fiscal year 2012. This is very much an on-going project.

In March, the Issues Committee obtained the Board's approval of a letter to Governor Brown concerning illegal immigration. The letter called attention to a California law which is remarkably similar to the controversial "Arizona law" and, among other things, specifically prohibits sanctuary cities. The letter, which was signed by our president Fran Cavanaugh, urged Governor Brown to see that California's laws are uniformly rather than selectively enforced.

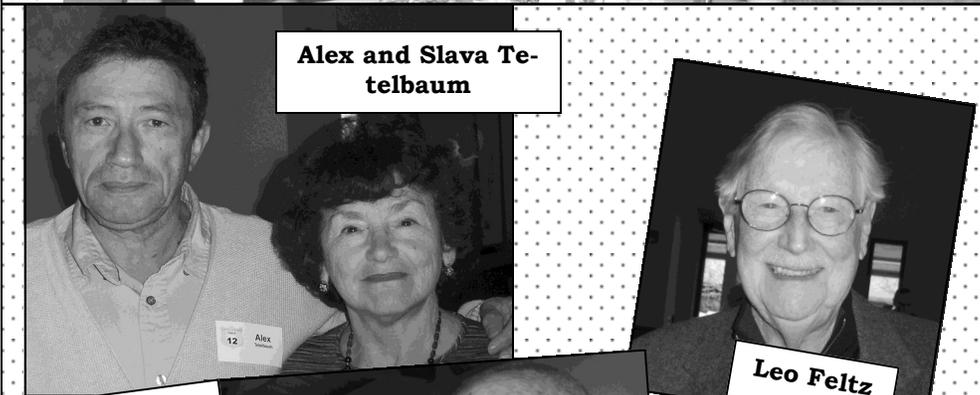
Currently, the Issues Committee is working on two other projects. One is the impact of Obamacare on seniors; the other is the vilification of Republicans as "the rich" and as supporters of "the rich."

If you have an interest in working on these projects, or have another one to bring to the table, contact Issues Committee Chairman John Littig at 256-8558.

April Dinner



**Ruth Huffman, Anna Mattos, Hank Maxwell,
Barbara McKenzie**



**Alex and Slava Te-
telbaum**

Leo Feltz

**Nancy
and Dave
Cutter**

**Dorothy Bell
and Marilyn
Van Story**



Lois King

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at 256-1313. She will handle
all of the steps needed to make
you a full member of the Re-
publican Club of Rossmoor.
Annual dues are \$15 per per-
son; \$25 per couple.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Patricia Johnson

Ron Moschel

Earl and Jean Wong

**A WARM REPUBLICAN
CLUB WELCOME!**

Club Calendar



Ambassadors, Tuesday, May 10, 11 AM,
Room 4, Creekside
Dinner Meeting, Wednesday, May 11, 5:15 PM,
Fireside Room, Gateway
Discussion Group, Tuesday, May 17, 2 PM,
Garden Room, Dollar
Board Meeting, Monday, May 16, 1 PM,
Room 4, Creekside
Issues Committee, Friday, May 27, 10 AM
Ivy Room, Dollar Clubhouse

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MAY DINNER MEETING

Wednesday, May 11, 2011, Fireside Room, Gateway

5:15 pm Social Time, 6:00 pm Dinner

THERE WILL BE A HOSTED WINE AND BEER BAR

Menu

Baby Greens with Raspberry Vinaigrette, Feta and Candied Walnuts

Braised Lamb Shank with Seasoned Gravy

Roasted Red Potatoes

Cut Green Beans Almandine

Vegetarian entrée: Stuffed Portabella Mushroom

Berry Cobbler a la Mode

Decaf Coffee or Hot Tea

Reservation deadline: Noon, Friday, May 6

Reservation questions: Call 947-5878