



# Tustin Area Republican Women Federated

## October 2023 Newsletter



### President's Report 2023

Dear TARWF Members,

TARWF was recognized with a Diamond Award at the 42<sup>nd</sup> Biennial NFRW Convention that took place in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma September 29, 30 & October 1. Congratulations to everyone for a job well done to achieve the top recognition for a local Club!

TARWF participated in Tustin Tiller Days with a prominently located booth smartly decorated in Red, White and Blue americana by our Publicity Chair, Becky Grimes. The Tiller Days event ran three days, Oct 6-8, and was very well attended. Our TARWF members staffed the booth and provided information on Voter Registration, candidate literature from Don Wagner, Young Kim and Phillip Chen. TARWF information was available on promotional materials via the QR code that accesses our TARWF website. Prospective member information was obtained by Barbara George and we look forward seeing these women at our next meeting. Thank you to all of our volunteers who helped to make this event a success.

As of this writing your TARWF delegation of myself, Linda Barcelona, Pamla Manazer and Gail Rego are preparing to leave for Rancho Cordova, California to attend the 2023 CFRW Convention. We look forward to gaining insights into the CFRW plans for 2024, participating in educational workshops and electing the CFRW Officers for 2024.

Looking ahead to our TARWF official Annual Meeting on October 27<sup>th</sup>, Regular TARWF members will be voting on elected officers for 2024. Voting will also take place regarding two Standing Rule changes. Details regarding these changes were sent via email to all members on September 24, 2023. Now is the time to consider how you would like to be more involved with TARWF in 2024. We need you to make a commitment to get involved. You

can serve as a Committee Chair or be on a Committee, become a Greeter, assist at meetings; your contribution large or small will help us to achieve our goal of electing Republicans in 2024!

Thank you!  
Sheryl Franke  
[TARWF President](#)



## Announcing our October 27, 2023 General Meeting and Luncheon

Our speakers are two women who are running in the Senate primary on March 5th



### **US Senate Candidate Denise Gary-Pandol**

One of the first candidates to start campaigning for the US Senate seat vacated by Diane Feinstein.



### **Yorba Linda City Councilwoman Tara Campbell**

Tara was the youngest City Mayor in California State history, and will talk about the importance of young women running for office.

We will also be hosting a number of great vendors for your shopping (and nibbling) pleasure  
Clothing items, purses, jewelry, hats, Mary Kay cosmetics and fabulous treats  
Vendors will be set up early for convenient "pre-meeting" shopping!



**Location • The Elks Lodge #794**  
**1751 S. Elk Lane, Santa Ana, CA 92705**  
**714-547-7794**

Doors open for Check-in at 10:00 AM  
Meeting 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

**Members & Associate Members \$40.00 • Guests \$45.00**  
**We accept cash, check or charge**  
**Checks payable to TARWF**

RSVP by **Monday October 23rd** to:  
[RepublicanWomenFederated@gmail.com](mailto:RepublicanWomenFederated@gmail.com)

When making your reservation, please indicate any special meal requests due to dietary restrictions.



## **Program Report**



TARWF Newsletter, October 27<sup>th</sup>

Did you know that Senator Feinstein used to carry a revolver in her purse? A few years ago, I heard an old interview with her replayed where she described carrying a gun in her purse for protection while traveling back and forth to a hospital while her husband was ill. She stated in that interview that she thought it was a good idea for women to know how to protect themselves. Now that she has passed, I don't want to bash her for how and why her views changed, but I really wish I could have asked her.

Our Governor has appointed a replacement for Senator Feinstein, her qualifications are not who she is or what she has done, but what demographic boxes that she can check off. She didn't live in the State of California, she has never held elected office, she doesn't represent the vast majority of the people of California. I can't imagine how demeaning that would be to be awarded a position merely based on a promise that the next Senator from California would be a woman of color, not the

most qualified person available.

So, what is our alternative? It could very well be **Denise Gary-Pandal!**

Denise will be our headline speaker on October 27<sup>th</sup>. Denise believes in the America first doctrine, strengthening our border and supporting law enforcement to keep us safe. She believes in school choice for every child! And has ideas to solve the man-made water crisis as well as to bring manufacturing and businesses back to California! She is a breath of fresh air and a super dynamic speaker!

Join me at our meeting on **October 27<sup>th</sup>** to welcome **Denise Gary-Pandal, Republican Candidate for US Senate!** See you then!

Linda Barcelona, 1<sup>st</sup> VP Programs, Tustin Area RWF



## **Fundraising Report**

# Scoop The Season '23

That's right Ladies, it's time to get a jump on your holiday shopping.

At our October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023, luncheon, we will be hosting a number of great vendors for your shopping



(and nibbling pleasure)

Clothing items, purses, jewelry, hats, Mary Kay cosmetics and fabulous treats

just a few short steps from your table.

So, bring your shopping list and be prepared to find unique items for family, friends and even yourself!

In combination with our awesome speaker who is running for California Senate

Denise Gary-Pandol, this Scoop the Season Luncheon promises to be a great way to



support the cause-  
be informed  
AND  
kick off the Holiday Season

Vendors will be set up early for  
convenient "pre-meeting" shopping!  
Any questions? Call Pamla 714.227.2488



## Membership Report

Hi Ladies,

Remembering the sweltering weather at the Tustin Tiller Days really exemplifies the dedication of the TARWF group and their supporters! The set up was patriotic (Becky Grimes did an amazing job) and the working crew were welcoming. There were several conversations with local fellow Republicans and friends of TARWF. All in all, it was a good experience and one that allowed us an opportunity to connect with like-minded individuals that may very well lead to an opportunity to grow our tribe!



We are currently in the process of updating our membership brochure, our roster, and our membership letter.

You are amazing in your support of our efforts and we thank you!  
Warm Regards,

Gayle Carter, Co-Membership Chair  
Linette Johnston, Co-Membership Chair  
Gretchen Whisler, Membership Secretary





**Donna Peery**, Office Manager of the **Tustin Historical Society** contributes articles for our newsletter regarding Tustin history and Tustin armed forces service personnel.



Missouri native William D. Bowman brought his wife and family to Tustin in 1881 from Kansas. William and his wife Ella Galloway Bowman raised their six children in Tustin, including the youngest son, William Henry Bowman, born in Tustin in March 1888. William Bowman spent the first six years in Tustin working on the raisin ranch of Hiram Snow before purchasing his own twenty acres of land at Newport and McFadden. Later, he would purchase a ranch on Redhill north of Irvine Blvd, retiring from ranching in 1916. William was a staunch Republican and members of the Advent Christian Church of Tustin. After he retired from ranching, he moved to a house built by his son, Will, near First and A Street, that still stands today. The year after celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary, Ella passed away. William passed away five years later, and both are buried at Fairhaven Memorial Park in Santa Ana.

The eldest son, Edgar Bowman, owned and operated a photography studio in Pasadena. William and Ella's second son, Charles Bowman, owned an orchard fumigation company, Bowman & Howley, eventually becoming the Graves and Howley Fumigation Company. He owned the land at Laguna and Orange Avenue and sold it to the school district for the site of Tustin High School.

William and Ella's youngest son, William Henry Bowman, was a very successful contractor in Tustin, with his partner, Sam Preble. The Bowman and Preble General Contractors built many homes in the Tustin and Santa Ana area, of which ten are still standing today. They are also credited with building the Ebel Club and the Presbyterian Church. Will and his wife Ruth

Martin Bowman were successful ranchers, builders and one of Tustin's most prominent families. Will and Ruth lived at their ranch on Newport near Vanderlip and at his parent's ranch before building their home at 1681 Mitchell in Tustin (still standing) in 1919. They were members of the Tustin Presbyterian Church, Tustin Farm Bureau, California Growers Association and Santa Ana-Tustin Citrus Association. Will died in 1964 and Ruth in 1981 and are buried at Fairhaven Memorial Park in Santa Ana.



**Allen Gregory Swaim**

Sergeant  
United States Army  
Company A, 3rd Battalion, 1st Infantry Division  
Born 28 December 1946  
Killed in Action 1 August 1968  
Duc Pho, Vietnam

Allen "Greg" Swaim was born December 28, 1946 to Charles Lewis Swaim and Marilyn Peterson Swaim. His family, along with brothers Mike and Don and sister Patty lived on Kirk Street in Tustin. His mother, Marilyn, worked in the Tustin High Cafeteria for more than 22 years.

Greg attended Tustin High, graduating with the Class of 1964. While at Tustin, Greg was a member of the Tustin Cross Country team and sang in the High School Choir. Classmates wrote that he had a deep abiding faith and was highly active at Tustin's Trinity Church. He was a mentor to the younger church members, serving as a Youth Camp Counselor. Others described Greg as honest, decent, and fair-minded. Many expected Greg to become a Pastor.

After graduation, Greg attended Fullerton Junior College and entered the United States Army in January 1966. Greg attended Officers Candidate School in Maryland before he was sent to Germany, where he was training to be a forward air observer.

In May 1968, he went to Vietnam. On August 1st, 1968, Sgt Swaim was part of an ambush team 3 miles south of Que Son. Tragically, an American artillery round fired at enemy forces fell short on Sgt Swaim's position. Sgt Swaim and Sgt Matthew Woods were both killed.

He was the recipient of the Purple Heart, National Defense Medal, the Vietnam Campaign Medal, and the Vietnam Service Medal. Sgt. Swaim was posthumously awarded the Bronze Star and the Vietnamese Military Merit Medal, which is equivalent to the American Distinguished Flying Cross Medal.

Swaim Drive in Tustin Legacy has been named in honor of Sgt. Swaim. He is buried at Fairhaven Cemetery in Santa Ana.



NATIONAL FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN  
42<sup>nd</sup> Biennial Convention, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

In Recognition of Your Outstanding Accomplishments from 2022<sup>®</sup>-2023  
Demonstrating Excellence, Achievement and Accomplishment in Membership Development,  
Campaign Activities, Programs, Community Relations, and State Functions

this

DIAMOND ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

is hereby presented to the

TUSTIN AREA REPUBLICAN WOMEN FEDERATE  
CALIFORNIA



*Eileen Sojack*

NFRW President Eileen Sojack

*Carol S. Rogers*

Achievement Awards Committee Chair Carol Rogers

September 30, 2023

Date

## CONGRATULATIONS TARWF

**On September 30th NFRW awarded Tustin Area Republican Women Federated the Diamond Achievement Award at the National Convention held in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.** The Diamond Award is the highest level of recognition available to a local club. TARWF demonstrated excellence in Membership Development, Campaign Activities, Programs, Community Relations and State Functions. This achievement was made possible due to the commitment of time, energy and dedication of TARWF members to our Club activities and goals. Thank you and Congratulations!



### CHAIRMAN'S BRIEFING

A DIGITAL NEWSLETTER FROM THE  
REPUBLICAN PARTY OF ORANGE COUNTY

Orange County Republicans,  
We are fresh off an exciting and encouraging CAGOP Fall Convention right here in Orange County. This was one of the most attended conventions in state party history. We were blessed to welcome Republicans from across California to Orange County - the heart of the California comeback.

We were proud to welcome President Donald J. Trump, Governor Ron DeSantis, Senator Tim Scott, Entrepreneur Vivek Ramaswamy and Nevada United States Senate candidate Sam Brown to Orange County. Every candidate delivered a clear message for their candidacies and every one of these candidates are working to retire Joe Biden and save our country.

This convention was more than just candidates. We took critical votes on the direction of our party. I first want to congratulate our Second Vice-Chair John Park on his



election as California Republican Party Regional Vice-Chair. Orange County will continue to have a seat at the table with John's election to ensure we have the resources to compete and win in 2024.

I wrote to you in previous months of my intention to fight to preserve our party's platform. My goal was to keep Republicans united heading into 2024. A coalition of leaders from across the state joined me in the fight to save our Platform of Ronald Reagan's Bold Colors. The entire Orange County legislative delegation joined me on the first day of the campaign along with our colleagues in the San Diego GOP, and our National Committeewoman and Committeeman. It was an amazing team effort. By the end of the week leading into the convention the will of the party faithful was clear. I want to thank Platform Committee Chairman O'Reilly for immediately placing a motion on the table to keep the current platform. That motion was successful, and our platform was preserved. We can now move into 2024 united as a party and take our message directly to voters.

Our voter reclamation program is in full swing, and we are performing far stronger than we anticipated at the start of this project to reregister No Party Preference Voters as Republicans ahead of the March Super Tuesday Primary. This month over 1,000 reregistered to vote after we contacted them directly. We are looking to double down on our person-to-person efforts to close the registration gap with the Democrats. If you can make phone calls or walk your neighborhood to reregister voters, we need your help. Contact [Ryan@ocgop.org](mailto:Ryan@ocgop.org) to get your personalized neighborhood list of phone bank login to reclaim Republican voters now.

I was also excited to launch our Fall Quarter of the RunRed local candidate training program. We had great attendance and are well on our way to training 100 local Republican candidates before the November General Election so Republicans are united and collaborative in our county-wide campaign.

Lastly, Republicans scored a huge victory in Anaheim on Measure A, a far-left Democrat measure that would have raised the minimum wage to \$25 an hour. Commonsense voters rejected this measure by over 66%. Americans don't support the far-left Democrat agenda and are showing it at the ballot box. We are winning the argument against Democrat control.

Like you I'm frustrated by the division within our party in Washington D.C. We cannot allow Republicans locally to be divided. If you share my frustration, I encourage you to get involved with our volunteer opportunities or supporting our local candidates with your time. There is too much on the line in November to cede ground to the Democrats because of disunity. We have a county and a country to save.

Sincerely,  
Chairman Fred M. Whitaker



By Kate Smith

If you are patriotic, this is a great way to begin your day...Did you know there are lyrics before the words "God bless America, land that I love?") Frank Sinatra considered Kate Smith the best singer of her time and said that when he and a million other guys first heard her sing "God Bless America" on the radio, they all pretended to have dust in their eyes as they wiped away a tear or two.

Here are the facts... The link at the bottom will take you to a video showing the first public singing of "GOD BLESS AMERICA." But before you watch it, you should also know the story behind the first public showing of the song. The time was 1940. America was still in a terrible economic depression. Hitler was taking over Europe, and Americans feared we'd have to go to war. It was a time of hardship and worry for most Americans. This was the era just before TV, when radio shows were HUGE, and

American families sat around their radios in the evenings, listening to their favorite entertainers, and no entertainer of that era was bigger than Kate Smith.

Kate was also large; plus size, as we now say, and the popular phrase still used today is in deference to her, "It ain't over till the fat lady sings". Kate Smith might not have made it big in the age of TV, but with her voice coming over the radio, she was the biggest star of her time.

Kate was also patriotic. It hurt her to see Americans so depressed and afraid of what the next day would bring. She had hope for America and faith in her fellow Americans. She wanted to do something to cheer them up, so she went to the famous American songwriter, Irving Berlin (who also wrote "White Christmas") and asked him to write a song that would make Americans feel good again about their country.

When she described what she was looking for, he said he had just the song for her. He went to his files and found a song that he had written, but never published, 22 years before - way back in 1917. He gave it to her, and she worked on it with her studio orchestra. She and Irving Berlin were not sure how the song would be received by the public, but both agreed they would not take any profits from God Bless America. Any profits would go to the Boy Scouts of America. Over the years, the Boy Scouts have received millions of dollars in royalties from this song.

This video starts out with Kate Smith coming into the radio studio with the orchestra and an audience. She introduces the new song for the very first time and starts singing. After the first couple of verses, with her voice in the background still singing, scenes are shown from the 1940 movie, "You're In The Army Now." At the 4:20 mark of the video you see a young actor in the movie, sitting in an office, reading a paper; it's Ronald Reagan.

To this day, God Bless America stirs our patriotic feelings and pride in our country. Back in 1940, when Kate Smith went looking for a song to raise the spirits of her fellow Americans, I doubt whether she realized just how successful the results would be for her fellow Americans during those years of hardship and worry... And for many generations of Americans to follow. Now that you know the story of the song, I hope you'll enjoy it. Many people don't know there's a lead-in to the song since it usually starts with "God Bless America ..." So here's the entire song as originally sung... ENJOY!

Please click the below:

<https://www.youtube.com/embed/TnQDW-NMaRs?rel=0>





## **NFRW President Eileen Sobjack's statement on Israel:**

Issued October 7, 2023



The NFRW has always been a strong supporter of Israel.

This was an unjustified attack by the terrorists group Hamas on innocent civilians, killing hundreds and kidnapping and holding them hostage.

The Nation of Israel has every right to defend themselves in this situation and protect their nation and people.

### **Please pray with us for Israel!!**

Father, we pray for Your Divine Intervention in Israel. Guard, Protect and keep all within her borders! Divinely turn this situation around for Your Glory. Amen.

Psalm 122:6 says: "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem."



***Coming Events***

# TARWF 2023 Meeting Dates

## Board of Directors and Committee Chair Meetings

Meetings begin at 10am at the Tustin Historical Society Museum, located at 395 El Camino Real, Tustin. Meeting dates are on the Fridays listed below.

October 20

November 17

## TARWF General Meetings

TARWF General Meetings take place at the Santa Ana Elks Lodge located at 1751 S. Elks Lane, Santa Ana. Meetings are on selected Fridays and begin at 11am. Below is the schedule of meeting dates for the remainder of the year.

October 27

December 8



### Conservative Political Radio Talk Shows



Monday – Friday

- 12:00 AM – 3:00 AM –
- **Red Eye Radio**
- 3:00 AM – 4:00 AM –
- **America in the Morning**
- 4:00 AM – 6:00 AM –
- **KTLA Morning News**
- 6:00 AM – 9:00 AM –
- **Armstrong & Getty**
- 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM –
- **Dan Bongino**
- 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM –
- **John Phillips**
- 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM –
- **The Ben Shapiro Show**
- 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM –
- **Leo Terrell 2.0 Live at Five**
- 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM –

### Patriot AM 1150

**Glenn Beck**

Mon-Fri 6am to 9am

**Clay Travis and Buck Sexton**

**EIB Network**

Mon-Fri 9am to 12 noon

**Sean Hannity**

Mon-Fri 12 noon to 3pm

**Jesse Kelly Show**

Mon-Fri 6pm-9pm

### KRLA AM 870

**The Morning Answer**

Mon-Fri 6am to 9am

**Dennis Prager**

Mon-Fri 9am to 12 noon

**Sebastian Gorka**

Mon-Fri 12 noon to 3pm

**Mark Levin**

Mon-Fri 3pm to 6pm

**Larry Elder**

Mon-Fri 6pm to 9pm

**Jay Sekulow**

Mon-Fri 9pm to 10pm

**Charlie Kirk**

Mon-Fri 10pm to midnight

### SiriusXM Patriot

Channel 125

**Mark Levin**

Mon-Fri 3:00pm to 6:00pm

- **Mottek On Money**
- 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM –
- **Special Programming**
- 8:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- **The Ben Shapiro Show**
- 9:00 PM – 10:00 PM
- **Michael Knowles**
- 10:00 PM – 3:00 AM –
- **Red Eye Radio**

**New Website for Donald Trump**  
[45office.com](http://45office.com)

**Mike Lindell's new website**  
[FRANKSPEECH.COM](http://FRANKSPEECH.COM)

## Your Elected Officials

### Federal Elected Officials

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