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President's Message



“Freedom is Just one Generation Away From Extinction”

-Ronald Reagan

As 2021 moves into the history books, we have very few success stories by which to remember her. This has not been a positive year for Republicans by far. Not to dwell on the negative but between inflation, gas prices, the border, the withdrawal from Afghanistan, COVID, continuation of the vaccine mandate, immigration, crime, critical race theory, the weakened supply chain, and a demented president- it has not exactly been a banner year. If you are a glass half empty or half full kind-of-person you can make the decision for yourself. Optimist or pessimist -you may choose how to see our glass. Be it chardonnay or cabernet -I choose to be happy either way- as there is room for a refill! Our 2022 glass should be 'champagne' for the New Year as things are looking good for our party!

The democrats and progressives have been working all year long on behalf of Republicans. They have shown us what a move to socialism looks like and it has served as a wake-up call for many Americans. Parents are rising up against school boards controlled by the teacher's unions and teaching our children to hate our country and to hate each other. Cities are realizing that maybe defunding the police isn't such a great policy - as they see crime on the rise. Texas is building their own border wall. A Republican won in Virginia taking back a traditionally blue state. People are standing up to employers who are realizing that if you mandate a vaccination, you may end up without employees. Republican voter-registration is up across the country, and the 2022 elections are looking very bright for many wonderful candidates who have chosen to step up and run for office. On television, the controlling and misleading taking heads are being unmasked. We will take our country back! Freedom from tyranny is a great motivator. As we look back on the past year, we all need to reflect on what we have seen and learned. Ronald Reagan said, "freedom is just one generation away from extinction." We are there. It is shocking to see how easily and quickly we are giving up our freedoms. Enough! 2022 is the year to stand up and save the United States. We have succumbed to the efforts that divide us and it is with division we are conquered. We must stand together and fight back. We have our work cut out for us in the coming year and we must succeed.

With all that said, I wish each and every one of you and your families a wonderful, bright, and Happy New Year! God Bless.

-Dale



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WVRWF's Upcoming Program

John Barrick

Candidate for Ventura County District Attorney



John Barrick is 50-year resident of Ventura county. He is running for Ventura County District Attorney in the June 2022 election and is a 15-year prosecutor in the Ventura County DA office.

Civil societies hold people responsible for criminal conduct and its foreseeable consequences. No one is entitled to a free pass. However, California legislators have begun to change that, and the results have been as frightening as they are mystifying.

In 2019, California Legislators did something that would have been unthinkable a decade earlier: they passed legislation that made it harder to prosecute those responsible for murder.

Vote them out of office; perhaps then they will understand that victimizing crime victims is not a winning political strategy.

-Barrick4DA.com

Please Join us!

Date: January 18th

Time: 5:30 – 7:00

Place: Sunland Winery

1321 Thousand Oaks Blvd., Thousand Oaks

Price: \$20 Member price until January 15th.

\$25.00 Non-member and Member price after January 15th.

Appetizers Provided – No Host Bar

IF YOU HAVEN'T YET RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2022 ...

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SCHOOL CHOICE

The Greatest Social Justice Issue of our Time

By Jeanne Llewellyn

Take a look around at all that concerns us as Conservatives, all that we see being eroded, demolished, and destroyed before our eyes - freedoms, history, values not even a generation ago would have ever dreamed could have been so readily walked away from. So many of us shake our heads in disbelief, struggle communicating with the younger generation, and search the horizon for hope that something can right the ship and set our course for more sane waters.

If we take a hard look at the core of the issues tearing at our society today, the common denominator is education. It's either the absence of it with record dropout rates; inferior academic standards turning out inferior thinkers; and the indoctrination of radical progressive ideology. All a result of Government Public Education controlled by Teacher's Unions with no accountability and no incentive to fix the system they are paid billions to maintain.

Until now.

The Education Freedom Act of 2022 is the Ballot Initiative that will save the sinking ship of California's Failing Public School System. And it will do so by simply making the Student the Customer. By implementing a Free-Market System and Competition for your Education Dollars we flip the Failure on its head and make the Student the Winner!

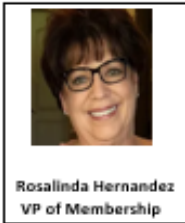
Education Choice has gained unbridled momentum across the country with 18 states passing legislation for School Choice and more on course for the 2022 election cycle. Better still is that those programs are already saving taxpayer dollars - not hard when Teacher's Union's wrote the assignment for Corruption. Wall Street Journal reviewed 40 Education Choice Programs through 2018 and found they cumulatively saved taxpayers over 25-Billion or \$7,500 per student. A 2021 **EdChoice**, (a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, nonpartisan organization committed to understanding and pursuing a K-12 education system that empowers every family to choose) Poll reported Parent Support averaging 80%.

America is taking back the education of our youth one State at a time. Now California can do the work of our Democracy, gather signatures to put school choice and THE EDUCATION FREEDOM ACT on the 2022 Ballot!

You can help by manning a table to collect signatures, asking your neighbors, your family, and friends to sign the PETITION!

- For PETITIONS: Please contact Jeanne Llewellyn, jeannebrooksllewellyn@yahoo.com
- For more information, please go to <https://www.californiaschoolchoice.org>

Together we can Make America Great Again, and it starts with School Choice!



Rosalinda Hernandez
VP of Membership

Membership News

By: Rose Hernandez, VP Membership
Karen Wetterlind, Co-VP Membership



Karen Wetterlind
Co-VP of Membership

November Birthdays	December Birthdays	Welcome New Members!
Barbara Cornwall 11/9	Patty Jones 12/1	Leslie Foumberg
Bonnie Latham-Lyon 11/11	Ondrea Failace 12/7	Cherry Jensen
Beth Milton 11/12	Joy Moore 12/8	Julie Jacobs
Sharon Siemering 11/17	Gina Bellisario 12/11	Eliza Lewis
Diane Danderson 11/21	Jeanne Reynolds 12/11	Gayla Lindquist
Pat Haakstad 11/21	Judy Ureda 12/11	Lee Lovitt
Brooke Foxworthy 11/25	Denise Baker 12/14	Rebecca Mais
Sherri Kerman 11/26	Cheryl Bucher 12/20	Sandy Palmer
	Lynn Gaytan 12/20	Mary Purdum
	Elsie Onink 12/20	Stephanie Safechuck
	Betty Monello 12/24	Elizabeth Van Duyne
	Jeanie Gainer 12/29	Aissa Wayne
	Kathy Norjean 12/30	Theresa Yassini



Member Spotlight

Jeanne Llewellyn
VP of Programs



Jeanne has been the VP of Programs for the Westlake Village Club coming on three years. Hand in hand with the Executive Board, Jeanne sources and books our speakers for our monthly education and outreach events. The very popular Happy Hour's and our Candidate Forum's help keep our membership informed and engaged by hosting popular figures and politicians. Jeanne also enjoys keeping a broader audience informed and engaged as a guest co-host on the Radio Show ***Ladies of Liberty Sound Off*** on iHeart Radio and podcast networks worldwide. Here's a link to their latest show tackling Row V Wade, Bail Reform and the Iran Vienna Talks: https://www.americaoutloud.com/scotus-and-the-future-of-roe-v-wade/?utm_source=copy&utm_medium=website&utm_campaign=SocialSnap.

Jeanne is a second-generation Californian, who returned after many years abroad to raise her family in Thousand Oaks. Jeanne worked in Music Promotion and Television Distribution stationed in LA and London after several years and many jobs living in the South Pacific, Australia, and Hong Kong. Thousand Oaks is her favorite place to live. She is intent on staying in California and fighting to make California Golden Again!

-Unedited



“A Year With WVRWF’S Book Club!” Elephants Never Forget!

www.ourownbookclub.com



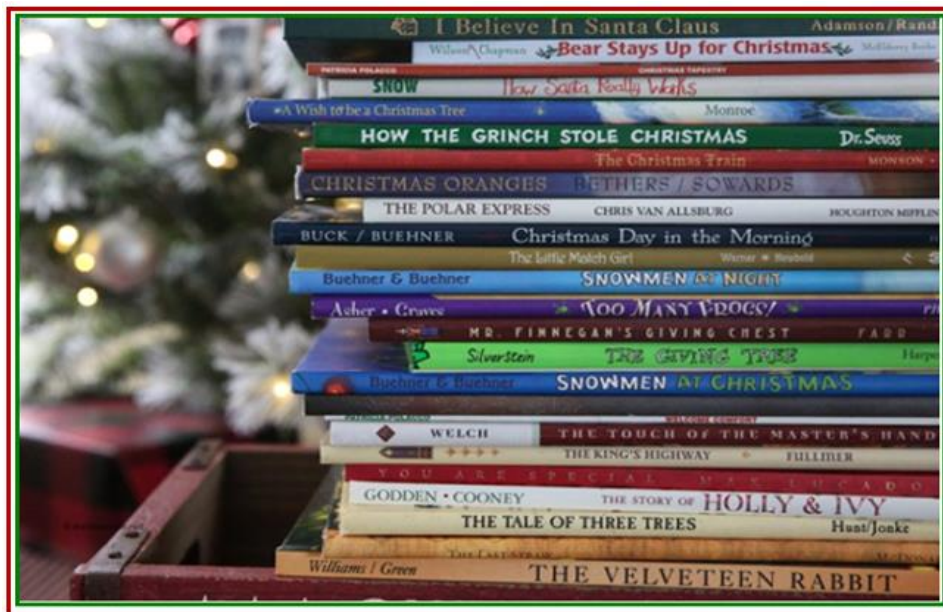
by Julia Bach



WVRWF's very own book club, called **Elephants Never Forget**, had a great year of hanging out on the first Thursday evenings of each month, sipping wine and discussing books we may (or may not) have read. Last month we discussed *This Time Next Year We'll Be Laughing*, by Jacqueline Winspear and yes, we hope the title will be prophetic for 2022! This wonderful book is a memoir of growing up in post-WWII Britain, as well as a vibrant character sketch of her family. We discussed this book (and everything else going on in the world and our own lives) over cookies, courtesy of our cookie exchange, hosted at the home of Paula Parsons. Thank you, Paula! We try to alternate months between fiction and non-fiction, although we take suggestions on any good books people have read. Other highlights of the year were reading a collection of essays about the folly of the BLM movement *Red, White, and Black*, by Woodson and reviewing Mark Levin's *The Liberty Amendments*, as we may need a Convention of the States soon!

For the new year, we will start out discussing *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles. All WVRWF members as well as their friends are welcome. Members take turns hosting the meetings at our homes and we have a fabulous time. If you would like to attend, email or call me julialbach@gmail.com, 425-337-1747 to find out the location for the next meeting!

-Julia





Do You Have a New Year's Resolution in Mind Yet?

From WVRWF's Newsletter Editor, Marilyn Erickson



*I wanted to share with all the WVRWF readers my heart-healthy virtuous New Year's resolution. Reason is, this is the first year I openly announce one! And recently I learned of a very helpful acronym from a radio station commentator and decided to apply it to the New Year. It's called the '**THINK**' acronym and before speaking with others, I will put this acronym into practice by asking myself, "Is what I'm about to say"...*

Truthful
Helpful
Inspiring
Necessary
Kind

*Wouldn't it be wonderful if our Politicians would put this acronym into daily practice and actually **THINK** for a change!*

Enjoy a Happy, Healthy, and Safe 2022 New Year!

-Marilyn Erickson



Peace on Earth