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The Lamorinda Republican Women's Federated Hosts Spring Vintage Fashion Show

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Vintage dealer and stylist Jean Karevidas and LRWF Vice President/Membership Chair Elsie Euing with Dixie, the fashionable canine.

Poodle, will grace the runway sporting something fabulous in canine wear.

But wait, there's more. To set a patriotic tone to the afternoon musicians will play good old-fashioned American tunes and singer Valerie JoRemley will sing The Star Spangled Banner. Models in WWII military and nurses' uniforms will circulate and chat with attendees. The planned event decor is guaranteed to raise American spirit with displayed American flags and red, white and blue banners. "This is not about politics," says Euing. "What we're trying to do is help our returning vets."

Guest speakers include Sentinels of Freedom Foundation Chief Operating Officer Carla Goulart and Veteran Ryan Skyes of San Ramon. In March 2008 Skyes was injured in a vehicle accident in Afghanistan. Skyes will share his experiences and how Sentinels of Freedom Foundation has helped him.

Tickets are \$40 per person. All proceeds go to Sentinels of Freedom Foundation. To reserve tickets call Jan Rains at 925-682-3727 or Elsie Euing at 925-254-8617.

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The Lamorinda Republican Women's Federated (LRWF) will celebrate spring with a luncheon and vintage fashion show at noon on April 27 at the Orinda Country Club.

The event is a fundraiser for Sentinels of Freedom Foundation, which helps severely injured veterans with education, housing, and job placement. The LRWF is a club of like-minded Republican women who join forces on community outreach and education.

Elsie Euing, vice president and membership chair of LRWF, has been working with local vintage clothing dealer Jean Karavidas to organize the fashion show. Karavidas says she is happy to volunteer her time for such a worthy cause.

Karavidas is styling the show using clothing from her own collection as well as a few pieces from Euing's closet, including gowns from I. Magnin & Co. and a mouton fur coat. "We will show mostly eveningwear but also some day wear," says Karavidas. "Each piece is elegant and one of a kind." To show women how to update a vintage look, Karavidas intends to pair outfits with contemporary accessories. Pieces from her collection will be for sale.

A lineup of male and female models, many of them LRWF members, will strut their stuff in vintage fashions from the 1940s to the 1980s. Even Dixie, Euing's Maltese

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