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Association of Republican Women

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Upcoming Events at SVARW

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- ◆ February 17th —SVARW Monthly Meeting Santa Clara County Jail System
- ◆ March 17th —SVARW Monthly Meeting
- ◆ April 21st —SVARW Candidate Forum
- ◆ May 19th —SVARW Monthly Meeting
- ◆ May 22nd —Special SVARW Event with Starr Parker

SVARW MONTHLY MEETINGS

La Rinconada
Country Club

9:00 AM to 11:00 AM
14595 Clearview Drive
Los Gatos, CA 95032

Cost: \$13 includes
Continental Breakfast

February 17, 2010 —SVARW Monthly Meeting

Our Santa Clara County Jail System
Improving Outcomes and Saving Money

David Gonzales is Executive Director of Friends Outside in Santa Clara County, a non-profit organization that, since 1974, has provided general services to inmates in county jail facilities, and certain social services to inmates' families.

A Stanford graduate, Mr. Gonzales has a criminal justice background. He has a long career in law enforcement, rising to second in command of the Department of Corrections, the agency that operates the Santa Clara County jails.

At Friends Outside, Mr. Gonzales deals with programs that provide services to inmates, support inmates' families, and address the fact that seven out of ten children with incarcerated parents end up in the prison system themselves. Mr. Gonzales has many concrete ideas about how Santa Clara County taxpayers can realize more effective and efficient ways to address the problems associated with this vicious cycle.

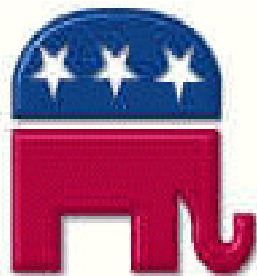


David Gonzales
Executive Director of Friends Outside

LOCATION

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Breakfast
Check In —9:00 AM
14595 Clearview Drive -Los Gatos,
CA 95032

Interested in having a say about how the local Republican Party is run in Santa Clara County?



Peter Soule
SVGOP
Central Committee

SVARW is encouraging all members to consider running for the Central Committee of the Santa Clara County Republican Party. (See page 3 for an article regarding the structure of the Republican Party.) SVARW's Candidate Development Committee has invited current Central Committee member, Peter Soule, to be our guest at 8:45 AM on January 17th at La Rinconada. Peter will spend a few minutes explaining what the Central Committee does and answering your questions. If you are interested in learning more, please come to our February 17th meeting a little early to get the scoop.



Officers for 2010

President
Cathy Davis

First Vice President
Martha Snodgrass

Second Vice President
Carol Joyal

Recording Secretary
Jan Nedde

Corresponding Secretary
Lisa Seago

Treasurer
Helen Gaetano

Next Board Meeting
Wednesday, January
24th @ 10:00 AM

Sunshine

Norine needs to know if a member is ill or has lost a loved one. We care about our members and would like to follow up with a call and a card. Please call Norine Bacon and let her know who needs a special call or card.

408-377-7111

Endorsed Candidates for 2010

Per the SVARW Bylaws, the Board of Directors may endorse candidates for office. The endorsement by the Board is a recommendation to our members. Members always have the option to vote as they choose. Our endorsements are often repeated on other websites. To be endorsed, a written recommendation must be submitted to the SVARW Board and the candidate must have spoken at a SVARW meeting. The Board has the authority to wave the requirement for speaking in front of our organization.

As of the January 27th SVARW Board meeting, the following candidates have been endorsed for the June 2010 primary:

FEDERAL



Chuck DeVore for U.S. Senate —California
<http://www.chuckdevore.com/>

Tom McClintock for U.S. Congress — California District 4
<http://www.tommcclintock.com/>

Michele Bachmann for U.S. Congress —Minnesota District 6
<http://www.michelebachmann.com>

STATE

Barbara Alby for State Board of Equalization
Craig DeLuz for Assembly District 5
<http://craigforassembly.com/>



LOCAL



Pete Constant for San Jose City Council District 1

Chuck Reed for Mayor of San Jose

Mike Wasserman, Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors
<http://www.mikewasserman.com/>

Santa Clara County Republican Central Committee



Cathy Davis —Supervisory District 1
Lisa Marshik —Supervisory District 1
Peter Soule —Supervisory District 4

What 95% of Republicans Don't Know about the Party

The Republican Party at the Local and State Level

By Jan Soule

When you say "Republican Party" most people think of the RNC (Republican National Committee) headed by Michael Steele. From my experience people only think of the Republican Party every four years....this is a big mistake! We have lost control of our party because we have let "other people" take care of issues. **You can have direct impact on the Republican Party at both the County and State level.**

Santa Clara County Republican Party (www.SVGOP.com)

At the local level, your interests are represented by the Santa Clara County Republican Party. You are encouraged to attend the monthly meetings of the local party. They take place on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM at:

Santa Clara County Administration Building.
70 West Hedding Street
San Jose, CA
Isaac N. Senter Auditorium

The party is run by the County Committee which is elected every two years during the primary election and take office the following January. The members of the county committee elected the Executive Committee consisting of the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. Members are elected by county supervisorial district. You likely have voted for these individuals without having an idea of who they are and why you are voting for them. You can take a look at the current committee at this link: <http://www.svgop.com/about/committee/>

Ideally the local party is responsible for: 1) Recruiting candidates to run for local non-partisan offices like school board and city council; 2) Voter registration, 3) Recruiting volunteers and 4) Turning out the Republican vote. Doing a good job of turning out the Republican voters is very important....this enables candidates to focus on independents. **The committee is only as effective as those that serve on the committee!**

California Republican Party (www.cagop.org)

County Committees from the 58 counties in California send delegates to the semi-annual conventions of the California Republican Party. The spring convention takes place in a northern California city and the fall convention takes place in Southern California. This year, March 12th - 14th, the California Republican Convention (CRP) takes place at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Santa Clara providing the ideal opportunity for Republicans in Santa Clara County to attend the convention. Any registered Republican in California can attend the convention as a guest. After paying the registration fee (it's been about \$60), you can attend workshops and general sessions. Guests have not voting privileges. Delegates, who do cast a vote, are appointed by the county committees and by various Republican organizations. You can also sign up (and pay!!) to attend various dinners and luncheons featuring noted speakers.

If you are interested in attending the convention in March, go to this link for more information. <http://www.cagop.org/index.cfm/convention.htm>. In addition to the informative workshops there is an exposition area with vendors and representatives of various organizations that you can become familiar with.

The convention is a great way to statewide candidates. All of the gubernatorial and senatorial candidates will be there. Governor Romney, who is supporting Meg Whitman for Governor, will be there as well.

SVARW
MEMBERS

Encouraged to....

RUN FOR
CENTRAL
COMMITTEE!!!

Our local Republican Party is run by the Central Committee of the Santa Clara County Republican Party. SVARW is encouraging its members to consider running for a seat on the Central Committee.

Members are elected every two years based on Supervisorial District. The election is June 2010.

Nomination papers can be picked up beginning February 16th. Papers must be filed by 5pm on March 12, 2010.





Phone Numbers
Local Assemblyman

Ira Ruskin
(650) 691-2121

Jim Beall
(408) 282-8920

Local State Senators
Abel Maldonado
(408) 277-9461

Liz Figueroa
(510) 413-5960

S. Joseph Simitian
(650) 688-6384

Elaine Alquist
(408) 286-8318

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Sacramento, CA
95814

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916-445-2841

FAX is most
effective:
916-445-4633

www.govmail.ca.gov

Legislation

Legislation, Barbara Wales

More California State Taxes called "fees"

Schwarzenegger has brought back his 4.8 percent "surcharge" on homeowners and commercial property owners. Instead of cutting waste, inefficiency and fraud in the state's Department of Forestry, Schwarzenegger wants to take more money from families and business owners. And this tax (he deceptively calls it a "fee") is on top of last year's tax hikes (sales tax, income tax, car tax, and "child tax"). Tell Sacramento that you oppose bad ideas of raising taxes on property owners, smokers or anyone else in the future. Oppose the foolish idea of "borrowing" from municipalities.

Take Action: Call Sacramento to put on the pressure: Call Governor Schwarzenegger, the legislative leaders, and your own state legislators:

1. CALL IN THIS PRIORITY ORDER: DEMAND THAT THEY "CUT TENS OF BILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN WASTE - NO NEW TAXES, FEES OR BORROWING."

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger (916) 445-2841 (Mon-Fri 9-5 p.m.) |

Senate Republican Leader Dennis Hollingsworth of Murietta (916) 651-4036

Assembly Republican Leader Sam Blakeslee of San Luis Obispo (916) 319-2033

The six current Republicans who raised taxes last year:

Senator Abel Maldonado of Santa Maria (916) 651-4015 (Many SVARW members are in his district)

Senator Dave Cogdill of Modesto (916) 651-4014

Senator Roy Ashburn of Bakersfield (916) 651-4018

Assemblyman Mike Villines of Clovis (916) 319-2029

Assemblyman Anthony Adams of Hesperia (916) 319-2059

Assemblyman Roger Niello of Sacramento (916) 319-2005

2. CALL YOUR OWN CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLYMEMBER AND STATE SENATOR

Assemblyman Ira Ruskin 650-691-2121

Assemblyman Jim Beall 408-282-89-20

Tell them you demand that they "Cut tens of billions of dollars in waste - no new taxes, fees or borrowing!"

SB810 State Controlled Government Health Insurance Passes the Senate

SB 810 prohibits Californians from purchasing private insurance, eliminates patient choice and would pass on an additional \$200 billion in costs to California taxpayers.

The State Senate passed a single-payer healthcare bill that would put us on the path towards a government-run program in California. While the national plan is faltering because of recent votes, California is going forward. Please call your assembly member and tell them it is too expensive--and if they vote for it, they are voting against the will of the people. (Can you believe that the State which can't even manage it's own budget now will be capable of running a health insurance plan?)

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Legislation

Continued.....

Parental Notification

Your help is requested to place the Parental Notification Amendment on California's November 2010 ballot. You can collect signatures on petitions from family and friends, and in your neighborhood, workplace and church building. It is perfectly legal for churches to ask people to sign petitions for this moral ballot measure in the sanctuary or the foyer. If you wish to support this ballot issue, you may request petitions, send an email with your name, mailing address and phone number to ParentalNotification@California.USA.com or leave a message with your contact information when you call 916-427-1671. Remember that in November 2008, the Parental Notification Amendment on California's ballot nearly passed, receiving 48.04% YES votes! Last February, a poll by the Public Policy Institute of California found that 68% of California adults support requiring parental notification before an abortion can be performed on a minor daughter. And with conservative voters motivated to turn out heavily this November, the odds are favorable to finally win this year, if only enough signatures can be gathered to qualify this important ballot initiative. Approximately 1.2 million raw-count signatures are needed by the first week in May.

Super Bowl Ad

Focus on the Family has purchased time during this year's Super Bowl broadcast to air a compelling pro-life ad featuring Heisman Trophy winner Tim Tebow and the decision his mother made 23 years ago to give birth to her unborn son when doctors were urging her to abort him. CBS has come under withering fire from the left for its decision to air this ad. Joy Behar of "The View" even said abortion would have been an appropriate choice since there was no way for Tim's mom to know that he wouldn't grow up to be a "rapist pedophile." The hypocrisy here is thick. Abortion proponents claim to be all about choice, but they are outraged over an ad that features a woman exercising her right to choose life for her baby son. Unfortunately, CBS sent a signal this week that it would be willing to accept "responsibly produced" ads that promote abortion or homosexuality. But a message that promotes death or sexual deviancy is not the moral equivalent of a message that celebrates life, and CBS must be urged to reject any such advocacy ads.

Take Action: If you would like to support this issue, you can E-mail CBS Chairman Les Moonves and CBS Entertainment President Nancy Tellem in support of their decision to air the Tebow Super Bowl ad. Please urge them to stand firm in the face of the angry voices of leftwing America. Go to www.afa.net and click on the CBS item in the right box.



Candidate
Forum
April 21, 2010

Mark your
Calendars!

Come here can-
didates who
are running for
office.

Bring your
questions!



NEW AMNESTY BILL INTRODUCED —Provided by Carol Joyal

December 15 House Bill 4321 was introduced by Luis Gutierrez. The official name is “Comprehensive Immigration Reform ASAP Act of 2009”, however some call it the “No Illegal Left Behind Bill” or the “Red Carpet Act”. Nancy Pelosi has stated she wanted a bill to first come from the Senate, and most likely we will see one. The bill is almost 700 pages long, and it includes:

>.the Dream Act which would allow those who graduate from high school in the U.S. to be put on a fast track to citizenship,

- the Agricultural Jobs bill giving farm workers legal status,
- amnesty for people who came to the U.S. to bear citizen children,
- gutting state and local immigration laws,
- gutting the e-verification program to identify those eligible to work,
- generous amnesty provisions ,
- limited verification and background checks,
- limited border enforcement with sensitivity training for Border Patrol agents and,
- an increase in family and other legal immigration categories.

With fifteen million Americans unemployed, what an insult this is to our workers! How does a nation, heavily in debt, provide for the millions of additional people?

PROPOSED SVARW BYLAWS AMENDMENTS

ARTICLE III-MEMBERSHIP

ADD new category Section 5: ASSOCIATE membership may be conferred upon a registered Republican who supports the objectives and mission of the SVARW and who does not qualify for another membership category. Associate members shall not have voting privileges.

ARTICLE V-DUES Section 1. CURRENTLY READS; Annual dues for Active and Supporting members shall be recommended by the Executive Committee and approved by the Board of Directors. Members shall be notified of any change in dues at least 30 days prior to a vote by the General Membership.

AMMEND TO READ: Annual dues for Active, Supporting and ASSOCIATE members shall be recommended by the Executive Committee and approved by the Board of Directors. Members shall be notified of any change in dues at least 30 days prior to a voted by the General Membership.

ARTICLE VII- BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 1. CURRENTLY READS: The BOARD OF DIRECTORS shall be composed of the Executive Committee and the chairs of the following committees: Membership, Newsletter, Ways & Means, Member Communications, Legislation, Public Relations, Republican Affairs, and three (3) members at large appointed by the President and approved by the Executive Committee.

AMMEND TO READ: The BOARD OF DIRECTORS shall be composed of the Executive Committee and the chairs of the following committees: Membership, Newsletter, Ways & Means, Member Communications, Legislation, Public Relations, Republican Affairs, CANDIDATE DEVELOPMENT, and three (3) members at large appointed by the President and approved by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE X-NOMINATIONG & ELECTIONS

Section 1: CURRENTLY READS: A Nominating Committee of five members shall be elected at the General Meeting in May.

AMMEND TO READ: A Nominating Committee of five members shall be elected at the General Meeting in JANUARY.



Annual Liberty Celebration

Featuring...

Star Parker

Saturday, May 22

Doors Open: 9:00 AM

Social & Refreshments (Mimosas and Gourmet Continental Breakfast): 9:00-10:00 AM

Program: 10:00 AM

Nordahl Hall, 580 W. Parr Ave., Los Gatos

Ms. Parker's books, "Uncle Sam's Plantation" and "White Ghetto" will be available for purchase (check or cash) at the event (and in advance –see below) & she will autograph them immediately following the event.



Star Parker has authored 3 books including "Uncle Sam's Plantation", is a regular columnist in the Boston Herald, Washington Times, San Diego Union, and others., Regular Guest on Fox News, ABC, BBC, MSNBC, CNN and others, and a Regular Guest on Limbaugh,

Reservations – First Come, First Served

Name _____

Address: _____

City _____ Zip _____

SVARW Member Tickets _____ x \$20 (\$30 after April 21) = _____

Guest Tickets _____ x \$30 (\$38 after April 21) = _____

____ I would like to join SVARW and am including \$25 for 2010 membership and have attached an application.

____ To avoid the lines at the event, I would like to advance order _____ copies of "White Ghetto" at \$15 each and _____ copies of "Uncle Sam's Plantation" at \$15 each. Total enclosed for books _____

Please make your check payable to SVARW and mail to 101 Casa Grande, Los Gatos, CA 95032.





Silicon Valley Association of Republican Women

P.O Box 3194
Saratoga, CA 95070

Paid your 2010
dues?

If not, this is your
last issue!

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To pay your 2010 dues go online to www.svarw.com or
contact Lisa Marshik to renew. 408-358-0828

Join SVARW's "Political Party"

March 6th —7:00 PM

It's that time again to get together with fellow Republicans and enjoy an evening of cocktails and conversation! You won't want to miss this party!

Let's face it...as Republicans we often feel isolated in Silicon Valley! Join the SVARW party and ENJOY a casual evening where it is "OK" to be a Republican!!!

Office holders and candidates for office are invited as our guest!

Cost: \$10

Home of Martha and Tom Snodgrass —203 Montclair Road, Los Gatos, CA 9503

RVSP to: Martha at 408- 871-2917 or marthasnod@comcast.net

Go to: www.svarw.com and purchase your tickets online using your credit card.