

## Upcoming Events at SVARW

## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

- ◆ **April 4th** — The SVARW “Political Party”
- ◆ **April 15th** —Taxation without Representation
- ◆ **April 16th**—Lobby Day in Sacramento with Capitol Resource
- ◆ **May 20th** — Candidate for US Senate, Assemblyman Chuck DeVore
- ◆ **June 17th** — Red, White and Blue Meeting — Topic: Immigration
- ◆ **August 22nd** — Stars and Stripes Gala

## 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



## April 15, 2009 —SVARW Meeting

## "What Is Going on With Our taxes?"

**This is a double-header event!!!**

The guest speaker for our regular meeting at La Rinconada is *ELIZABETH C. BRIERLY*, an activist for lower taxes. She has a B.A. from San Jose State University in Business and a M. B.A. from Santa Clara University. She founded a communications firm and was also Public Affairs Coordinator for The Independent Institute. Elizabeth also was employed in the high tech industry. She has had a leadership position in Silicon Valley Taxpayers' Association for years.

**TEA PARTY!!!**

After our regular meeting join the protest against taxes at the “Tea Party” in downtown San Jose from noon to 6:00 PM. The event takes place in front of the IRS office at 55 S. Market Street right across the street from St Joseph’s Cathedral. Bring your flags, signs and horns.



## LOCATION

**La Rinconada Country  
Club**

Check In — 9:00 AM —  
Continental Breakfast  
9:30 AM — Meeting called  
to order  
11:00 AM — Meeting  
Adjourned

## May 20, 2009 SVARW Meeting

## Honor Truth and Justice Breakfast

## Featuring

**U.S. Senate Candidate Assemblyman Chuck DeVore**

**Help Dump Barbara Boxer off her Box!!**

**See Page 3 for details**

Tickets Now on Sale for Annual SVARW  
Stars and Stripes Gala

★ This is an event you will not want to miss! Enjoy a  
★ wonderful buffet dinner, wine and dancing under the  
★ stars to music by our favorite Doobie Brother, Danny  
★ Hull. The Stars and Stripes Gala always attracts of-  
★ fice holders and candidates. San Jose City Council-  
★ member Pete Constant has already put it on his cal-  
★ endar!

★ See Page 7 for details and get in on the early-bird  
★ ticket price!  
★

## Join SVARW's "Political Party"

**April 4th —7:00 PM**

Come for wine, lappetizers, and the opportunity to meet and mingle with fellow Republicans.

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!!!

**Cost: \$10**

Home of  
Cathy & Mark Davis  
1238 Hillcrest Dr.  
San Jose, 95120  
RVSP

(408) 323-8685



### Officers for 2009

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Next Board Meeting  
Wednesday, April 29  
10:00 AM



## STARS AND STRIPES GEAR UP

Lisa Marshik held the first meeting of the planning committee for the annual Stars and Stripes event to be held August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Maria and Lisa welcome volunteers to join in the event planning and volunteer for setting up, cleanup, decorating, etc. Jan Soule has prepared a flier to be distributed at the next General Meeting. Also needed are prizes for the main raffle and second chance basket items. Last year the main raffle included two dinners for eight, a sailboat trip, a visit to J.P. Puette's ranch and shooting lessons, a gorgeous necklace from Linda and Frank Chavez, and more. The second- chance baskets included wine, gourmet food items, books, etc.

To volunteer or donate, contact Lisa 358-0828 or [lmashik@comcast.net](mailto:lmashik@comcast.net)

## CONGRATULATIONS SAMANTHA MARSHIK

Samantha Marshik, daughter of Lisa and Paul Marshik, received news of her appointment to the Air Force Academy. Proud grandmother is member, Barbara Hansen-Vodden. We salute Samantha on this high honor and wish her the best.

## GAIL NEEDS TO KNOW IF...

a member is ill or has lost a loved one. We care about our members and would like to send them card. Contact Gail DeSmet at [desmetgail@hotmail.com](mailto:desmetgail@hotmail.com) or (408) 997-2482

## Lobby Day in Sacramento

April 16th

If you are interested in attending, contact Jan Soule  
at 408-705-2156

A group of SVARW Members attended Lobby Day in Sacramento on March 11th with Capitol Resource and returned excited and motivated! We visited the offices of several members of the State Senate and State Assembly and explained why we were opposed to SB 572, the bill to set aside one day each year in public school to study about the life of Harvey Milk. On April 16th interested SVARW members are invited to join us as we return for a second Lobby Day to protest SB 572. Hope you can join us!



SVARW Members at Lobby Day pose with Karen England, Executive Director of Capitol Resource (second from left).

Silicon Valley Association of Republican Women  
invites you to the

**Honor, Truth and Justice Breakfast**

featuring

**Assemblyman CHUCK DEVORE**

**Candidate for U. S. Senate**

Entertainment By **June Paoli, Pianist**

**Wednesday, May 20, 2009 — 9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.**



**La Rinconada  
Country Club**

14595 Clearview Drive  
Los Gatos, CA 95032

**Cost \$13**

Includes Continental  
Breakfast and Door  
Prize

Everyone Welcome!

***Are you fed up yet with the Democrats in Washington DC?***

***Ready to make a statement?***

***Donate \$10 or more to DUMP BARBARA BOXER FROM HER BOX!!***

Complete the donation form below to help Chuck DeVore dump Boxer and bring it to the next SVARW meeting with your check. Not going to the meeting? Visit this link and donate online using your credit

card: <http://www.myleader.com/contribute.asp?guideLeader=5B5D575A>

Or visit [www.svarw.com](http://www.svarw.com) to find the link.

**I want to help Dump Barbara Boxer off her Box!**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ CA ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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By checking this box, I confirm that the following statements are true and accurate: I am a citizen or permanent resident in the US. The funds I am contributing are my own personal funds and not those of another person. My contribution is not from the general treasury funds of a corporation, organization or national bank. I am not a federal government contractor. I am not a foreign national who lack permanent resident status in the US. I affirm that I am making this contribution via my personal funds and not through a corporate check. I am at least 18 years of age.

**Donate \$10 or more to  
Chuck DeVore for US Senate**

Boxer's staff carries  
around a 3 inch high  
box for the 5 foot tall  
Senator to stand on.

Let's knock her off  
her box and send a  
message to  
Washington DC!



I would like to Knock Barbara off her box, here is my donation to Chuck DeVore's campaign!

**\$10**

Plus an additional: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Donation:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to **Chuck DeVore for US Senate**. NO CASH!!



**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

**CONTACT  
INFORMATION  
FOR  
GOVERNOR**

State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA  
95814

Phone:  
916-445-2841

**FAX is most  
effective:**  
916-445-4633

[www.govmail.ca.gov](http://www.govmail.ca.gov)

## Legislation

Legislation, Barbara Wales Chairman

Thank you to Jan Soule for leading a group to Lobby Day and reporting on it at the March Meeting. Also, thank you to Carol Joyal, J.P. Puette, Susan Dias, Claudette Averill, Jan Soule, and Annette Young for helping this month and to Kathleen Herrington for volunteering to help.

**LOCAL ISSUES: *We can have greater influence! Please give these special attention!***

### The Bag Tax

Thanks in part to the 50+ letters written by SVARW members to Supervisor Shirakawa The SCC Recycling and Waste Reduction Commission voted to kill the countywide proposal immediately and instead adopt another approach that includes "community education" and revisit the tax issue if "things don't improve".

San Jose and Sunnyvale are still considering this tax! It will come before the San Jose City Council Transportation and Environment Committee Monday, May 4th at 1:30 P.M. in City Hall room W118 & W119. We must let the San Jose City Council know how we feel.

**Action: Contact members of the San Jose City Council and ask them to OPPOSE the "fee" on paper and plastic bags**

Visit this page on our SVARW website for sample letters that you can write and/or fax:  
[http://www.svarw.com/UrgentLegislation\\_2007.html](http://www.svarw.com/UrgentLegislation_2007.html)

Same contacts and address as Pornography Filter issue below..

### Pornography Filters in Libraries — PROTECT CHILDREN!

#### San Jose City Council to Vote — April 21st

On Tuesday evening April 21st we are asking everyone to meet at 6:00 PM in the plaza outside city hall. We will pass out signs that evening for everyone to hold up in the council chambers and secure seats in the chambers. Meeting starts at 7PM. We would like to fill the council chambers with people holding signs before any opposition can show up.

From now until April 21st continue to call, write and visit members of the San Jose City Council — EVEN IF YOU DON'T LIVE IN SAN JOSE

Mail: San Jose City Hall  
200 East Santa Clara St.  
San Jose, CA 95113

FAX: (408) 292-6731

Email: Chuck Reed	<a href="mailto:mayormail@sanjoseca.gov">mayormail@sanjoseca.gov</a> –Fax: 408-292-6422
Pete Constant	district <a href="mailto:1@sanjoseca.gov">1@sanjoseca.gov</a> – Fax: 408-292-6448
Ash Kaira	<a href="mailto:ash.kaire@sanjoseca.gov">ash.kaire@sanjoseca.gov</a> – Fax: 408-292-6451
Sam Liccardo	<a href="mailto:district3@sanjoseca.gov">district3@sanjoseca.gov</a> – Fax: 408-292-6456
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Rose Herrera	<a href="mailto:district8@sanjoseca.gov">district8@sanjoseca.gov</a> – Fax: 408-292-6469
Judy Chirco	<a href="mailto:district9@sanjoseca.gov">district9@sanjoseca.gov</a> – Fax: 408-292-6471
Nancy Pyle	<a href="mailto:district10@sanjoseca.gov">district10@sanjoseca.gov</a> – Fax: 408-292-6478

## SECOND AMENDMENT UNDER ATTACK AGAIN!!

Sixty-five house Democrats have said that they will oppose any attempt by the Obama administration to revive a ban on military-style weapons that President Bill Clinton signed into law in 1994 and President George Bush let expire. The pro-gun Democrats wrote Attorney General Eric Holder that they would "actively oppose any effort to reinstate the 1994 ban, or pass any similar law." They urged the administration to avoid a "long and divisive fight over a gun-control issue: at a time when Washington need to concentrate on the economic crisis. The letter came after Holder, during a new conference to announce the arrest of Mexican drug dealers, said the drug cartels were obtaining high-powered weapons like the AK-47 from U.S. gun stores and said the Obama administration supported reinstating the ban on the sale of assault-style weapons. SENATOR DIANNE FEINSTEIN has said she plans to introduce legislation to bring back the weapons ban.

**ACTION:** Write Senators Feinstein and Boxer and tell them to focus on the economy NOT bills violating our Second Amendment Rights!

Senator Barbara Boxer, 112 Hart Senate Office Bldg., Washington, DC 20510

Phone 202-224-3553

FAX 202-224-0454

Senator Dianne Feinstein, 331 Hart Senate Office Bldg, Washington, DC 20510

Phone 202-224-3842

FAX 202-228-3954

## FORCED ABORTION PARTICIPATION

**Oppose AB 67 and AB 120**, which would require physicians and pharmacists to promote abortion despite their moral convictions against the taking of human life. Every county in the State already has the availability of these services. It is inappropriate to force individuals who believe that abortion is taking of human life to participate in what they consider murder. Even pro-choice individuals should oppose this imposition on individual rights.

**ACTION:** Please phone or email your assemblyperson and ask them to oppose this bill.

Assemblyman Ira Ruskin, PO Box 942849, Sacramento CA 94249-0021

Phone 916-319-2021

FAX 916-319-2121

Assemblyman Jim Beal, PO Box 942849, Sacramento, CA 94249-0024

Phone 916-319-2024

FAX 916-319-2124

## SEX DAY HONORED by KINDERGARTENERS

**Oppose SB 572**, which would institute an official "Gay Day"/"Harvey Milk Day" in government schools with "exercises" for children from kindergarten on up. Schoolchildren need academics, not "gay day" exercises." The sole reason for honoring Harvey Milk is that he was gay. Now let's be real --if we want our children—as young a kindergarten—to honor people for their sexual practices, shouldn't we have a heterosexual day? -- how about a lesbian day? --or a day for people who participate in group sex --or sex with . . . anyway, you get the point!

**Action:** Phone, email, or Fax your State Senator.

Senator Abel Maldonado, State Capitol, Room 4082, Sacramento, CA 95814

Phone 916-651-4015

FAX 916-445-8081

*More legislation on pages 6 and 8..*



### CITGO

In Orlando last week, at a CITGO station, regular gas was priced at \$1.82 per gallon, and there were no customers. However, across the street fuel was selling for \$1.85 per gallon and all pumps there had cars waiting to fuel up. Why?

Chavez is now getting a Russian Weapons Factory built by Putin. The Russians are building an AK-47 Kalashnikov Assault Rifle factory in Venezuela, to give armament support to communist Rebel groups throughout the Americas. Chavez now has Iranians operating his oil refineries in Venezuela for him. It is likely only a matter of time, if not already, before Chavez has Iranian built Long Range missiles, with a variety of warhead types aimed at guess who?

Citgo is now in the process of changing its name to "PetroExpress" due to the loss of gasoline sales in the USA and the recent publicity regarding the ownership of Citgo by Chavez/Venezuela.

**Action: Please be aware of Citgo and Petro Express and share this information with your friends and relatives throughout the country.**



### Protect your child from being sexually indoctrinated April 17

The so-called "Day of Silence" (DOS) which is sponsored by the "Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network" (GLSEN), is fast approaching. This year it will take place in most public schools on Friday, April 17.

On this day, thousands of government high schools and increasing numbers of junior high and middle schools allow students to remain silent throughout an entire day -- even during instructional time. The purpose of the silent civil disobedience is to promote homosexuality, bisexuality and transsexuality to other students throughout the entire day.

Don't let the homosexual-bisexual-transsexualists indoctrinate your child or any other children. Join the WALK OUT by keeping your elementary, junior high and high school children home from school on the day the school is permitting the "Day of Silence."

Get more information here:

[http://  
savecalifornia.com/day-](http://savecalifornia.com/day-)

## STATE IMMIGRATION OUTRAGES

By Carol Joyal

Assembly bill 442 (Arambula) and State Senate bill 461 (Correa) have been proposed and are awaiting committee hearings. Both bills would allow people to use a Matricula Consular card as identity for a notary public signature. This card has no secure data base and is not considered safe by the FBI or Mexican banks. You would only have such a card if you were in this country illegally. Most anyone could purchase a card with a false birth certificate, and a few bucks, at the nearest Mexican Consulate. No knowledge of Spanish is required. It is time to call your state senator and assemblyman and tell them the Matricula Consular card is not secure and should not be used as valid ID by a notary public or anyone else.

Senate bill 60 is backkkkkk! Former Sen. Cedillo was just re-elected. He is known as "one bill Gil" for persistently introducing SB or AB 60, the drivers' license bill for people in this country illegally. The bill always passes our legislature, but Gov. Schwarzenegger so far has vetoed it. This version of the bill would give illegal entrants a license that is legal for driving, but not for ID. What part of "illegal" does Sen. Cedillo not understand?

**ACTIONS: CALL YOUR STATE SENATOR AND ASSEMBLYMAN AND ASK THEM NOT TO SUPPORT THESE BILLS.**

## NAVY WARFARE TESTING PROGRAM

AND PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

When a SVARW member expressed alarm about the expansion of Navy testing to include Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Northern California, I contacted her information source and was shocked that citizens were given such little time to learn about the program and react. An Environmental Impact Statement came out in December 2008 and supposedly copies were sent to elected officials. Oregon Congress members had the deadline for public comments extended one month, but only until April 10<sup>th</sup>. I haven't heard anything in the press and haven't found any evidence our state officials have reviewed the report. Though I would like to be supportive of something related to security, I have serious reservations.

The fishing industry, tourists, and residents will be denied access while the Navy visits missiles, bombs, sonar on our coastlines from Washington to the San Francisco Bay. We do not know all the hazardous materials involved or the long term effect of all of this. If you want to learn more about this Northwest Training Complex and make a public comment, here are some resources:

[www.nwtrangecomplexeis.com](http://www.nwtrangecomplexeis.com) US Navy Environment Impact Statement

[www.nwtrangecomplexeis.com/NtrcCoomentForm.aspx](http://www.nwtrangecomplexeis.com/NtrcCoomentForm.aspx) a public comment form

or write to Naval Facilities Engineering Command Northwest

1101 Tautog Circle, #203, Silverdale, WA 98315 Attn. Mrs. Kimberly Kier

### Another Tax Issue by a Democrat!

Bloomberg News reported the Democrat Rep. Pete Stark, a House member from California, may have been improperly claiming residency in Maryland to get a tax break. As you might guess, Maryland's tax bite isn't as deep as wonderful California's. AP has noted that another congressman and some U.S. Senators may also be involved in doing this.

**Action: Write to the California Secretary of State and ask that this be investigated since if Pete Stark is not a "resident" of California, then he should not have been certified for election to the House. Send a copy to Stark's office.**

Debra Bowen, California Secretary of State, 1500 11<sup>th</sup> St, Sacramento, Ca 95814



The Silicon Valley Association of Republican Women Presents

# Stars and Stripes Celebration

## Dinner and Dancing Under the Stars

**Saturday, August 22, 2009 — 5:00 – 10:00 P.M.**

At the beautiful home of Larry and Maria Fischer at 105 Kathy Court, Los Gatos

Live Music by former Doobie Brother Danny Hull

Spectacular Gourmet Dinner — Wine Included

***Fantastic Raffle Prizes!!!!***

Dress is Casual Elegant

This event is always a sell out and reservations are on a first come first served basis.

All reservations must be accompanied by payment



### Danny Hull

Former Doobie Brother will provide entertainment along with Kurt Andersen, "The Singing Architect"

Category	Checks received by June 17th	Checks received after June 17th
SVARW Member including Husband supporting member	\$45	\$52
Non-Member**	\$55	\$60

\*\*Non-members may join SVARW today and pay the member rate. Dues are \$20 with this form only and will apply to the remainder of **2009 & 2010**. Husband Supporting Members are \$5

## STARS & STRIPES GALA — TICKET ORDER

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO SVARW AND MAIL TO: CATHY DAVIS, 1238 HILLCREST, SAN JOSE, CA 95120. **QUESTIONS?** CALL CATHY @ 408-323-8685, LISA@408-358-0828 OR MARIA@408-395-0335

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**Invited Office Holders**  
**include:**  
 San Jose Mayor  
 Chuck Reed  
 San Jose City Councilman  
 Pete Constant\*  
 Los Gatos Mayor  
 Mike Wasserman  
 \*Confirmed  
 \*\*\*\*\*

Reserve Tickets For: <b>Name</b>	Member/Supporting Member _____ \$45**	Non-Member # _____ \$55**
Reserve Tickets For: <b>Name</b>	_____ \$45**	_____ \$55**

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

☐ New Member?

☐ New Supporting Member-Spouse?

#Non-members may join SVARW today and pay the member rate. Dues are \$20 with this form only and will apply to the remainder of **2009 & 2010**. Husband Supporting Member dues are \$5. Members: If your husband/date is not a member, he pays the non-member price.

\*\*For orders received after JUNE 17, 2008, Tickets are \$52 for members, \$60 for non-members—NO EXCEPTIONS!



## Silicon Valley Association of Republican Women

P.O Box 3194  
Saratoga, CA 95070

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#### **DECRIMINALIZED DRUGS**

**Oppose AB390**, which would decriminalize marijuana, thus giving the invitation to teenagers and young adults to smoke pot and get hooked, harming their lungs and brains, opening themselves up to other drugs, and placing the driving public at greater risk.

Action: Phone, email, Fax your Assembly member.

See contact information under AB 67 above.

#### **TAXES**

**Oppose more tax hikes and fee hikes.** Now another \$8 Billion deficit is projected for the state budget, many Democrat politicians want to tax families AGAIN –on top of the \$1000 per family tax-and-fee hike going into effect April 1.

Cal, write, email, Fax Gov. Schwarzenegger and your California state representatives and tell them “Cut the waste ---never, ever raise my taxes and fees again!”

Many people are including tea bags to make a point. It's your chance to be part of the Boston Tea Party today!

under the laws of California.