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## BARBARA ALBY ON APRIL 18!

### Mark Your Calendar!

- ♦ May 16—Republican Integrity Brunch, Speaker Karen England, Capitol Resource Institute
- ♦ June 20—Red, White and Blue Meeting with Staff Sergeant Weichert

### SVARW MONTHLY MEETINGS

#### La Rinconada Country Club

9:00 AM to 11:00 AM  
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Don't miss our April 18th meeting with the Honorable Barbara Alby as she talks about Republican values and what's next for our party!

### April 18: The Honorable Barbara Alby

Don't Miss our April 18th meeting! We are honored to have Barbara Alby.

Barbara serves as Chief Deputy to Board of Equalization Member Bill Leonard. The California Board of Equalization is the only voter elected Tax Board in the U.S.



Also, Barbara has joined Sherry Leonard to form Pacific Events. As business partners their commitment is to use their talents to make a difference for Republican values. Their Leadership Conferences that focus on training candidates and bringing in new leaders to the GOP, is part of that commitment

Nationally she represents California on the Republican National Committee. In the 2000 election cycle she served as a surrogate speaker to women voters for Bush/Cheney.

For our April meeting, Ms Alby will be giving us a National RNC briefing. This will include:

Elections:

What happened in 2006. Where are we going? How do we get there?

And

National Convention 2008: How to become a delegate.

### May 16: Republican Integrity Brunch Speaker: Karen England, Capitol Resource Institute

Hear outstanding speaker Karen England of Capitol Resource Institute speak about Sacramento, legislation and City on the Hill. It will be a morning to remember!. Guests and husbands are welcome!

### June 20: Red, White and Blue Meeting

Join us as we hear from Staff Sergeant Kenneth Weichert who took part in the capture of Saddam Hussein. We will also be hearing from Operation Care and Comfort, a volunteer group that assembles and sends packages to our troops deployed in Iraq and Afghanistan. See ([www.operationcareandcomfort](http://www.operationcareandcomfort)).



## NEWS

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## IMMIGRATION UPDATE

### BY CAROL JOYAL

#### New Amnesty Bill Introduced

Rep. Gutierrez (D-IL) and Rep. Flake (R-AZ) have just introduced H.R. 1645, an amnesty and guest worker bill known as the STRIVE Act of 2007. The amnesty portion allows illegal workers a chance to apply for "conditional nonimmigrant status" by "proving" they were working in the U.S. by June of 2006. In six years they could apply for permanent status. It also includes a doubling of the H-1B high tech visa, the DREAM Act to give students a visa and allow instate tuition and aid, and an Agriculture Jobs bill for farm workers. The guest worker portion creates a new H-2C visa that allows up to 400,000 low skilled workers to come and bring their families. A clause in the legislation could add 200,000 more visas per year. Visas would last six years and provide a path to citizenship.

Before this bill is enacted, the Department of Homeland Security would have to report to Congress on the status of the Secure Border Initiative and the readiness of systems for verification for "critical infrastructure employers". A verification system for most employers isn't part of this legislation. There is soon to be a Senate Bill introduced that includes these provisions and amnesty and guest worker provisions.

#### Lawsuit Filed Against San Jose Police Department

Two San Jose residents, Carol Joyal and Roberta Allen, have filed a lawsuit against the San Jose Police Department (SJPd) to comply with the provisions of Health and Safety code statute 11369. This lawsuit enjoins the SJPd from its current practice of creating an atmosphere of non-cooperation with an agency of the United States Department of Homeland Security, namely, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) as this policy by the SJPd substantially prevents SJPd's officers from compliance with Health and Safety code 11369.

California Health and Safety Code section 11369 states when there is reason to believe that any person arrested for a violation who may not be a citizen of the United States, the arresting agency shall notify the appropriate agency of the United States having charge of deportation matters.

This statute has been in existence in its current form since 1991. The number of people arrested by the SJPd in reference to H&S section 11369 can only be estimated as the SJPd does not keep statistics relating to this category of arrestees.

Further, the regional office of the federal agency, ICE, in response to a Freedom of Information Act request served on it by petitioner's counsel, does not have any records indicating the SJPd has contacted ICE in regards to arrestees meeting the criteria of Health and Safety code statute 11369.

The issue of illegal immigrants incarcerated in Federal and state prisons and local jails has been the subject of a recent report by the United States Government Accountability Office (GAO) in 2005. In April 2005, GAO released the following report:

- Of the 55,322 illegal aliens studied, researchers found that they were arrested a total of 459,614 times, averaging about 8 arrests per illegal alien,
- They were arrested for a total of about 700,000 criminal offenses, averaging about 13 offenses per illegal alien.
- 49% had previously been convicted of a felony, 20% of a drug offense, 18% a violent offense, and 11% other felonies
- 81% of the arrests occurred after 1990
- 56% of those charged with a reentry offense had previously been convicted on at least 5 prior occasions
- Defendants charged with unlawful reentry had the most extensive criminal histories. 90% had previously been arrested. Of those with a prior arrest, 50% had been arrested for violent or drug-related felonies.

The San Jose Council voted formally to ignore them during their city council meeting on March 6. David Klehm, lawyer for FIRE Coalition.com, got ready to file after this vote. This is the beginning of several similar suits being filed against other cities in our state who are taking the same position.

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## LEGISLATION UPDATE

BY CLAUDETTE AVERILL

### NATION

**Embryonic Stem Cell Research** - The house passed ESCR but with not enough votes to override a veto. The senate is creating their own ESCR legislation because they would more than likely have enough votes to override a veto. **ACTION:** *Call Senators Feinstein and Boxer, urging them to oppose ESCR since there are more promising research results based on adult stem cells or those obtained from umbilical cord blood or amniotic fluid.*

**Pro-Life Appropriations Riders** - Thanks to your prayers and action, the pro-life riders placed on the FY 07 Appropriations bills were all included in H.J.Res.20, and President Bush signed into law on Feb 15.

**HR 1063 Child Interstate Abortion Notification Act** - makes it a federal crime to transport a minor across state lines to obtain an abortion for the purpose of evading a parental consent law or parental notification law in the minor's home state. **ACTION:** *Contact your members of Congress and urge them to sponsor this bill and take steps to bring this legislation to a floor vote.*

**HR 254 David Ray Hate Crimes Prevention Act of 2007** (S Jackson-Lee D-Tex Rep. Lee called for the closure of Guantanamo Bay prison facilities because they were not pleasant enough for terrorists). Any crime against a homosexual, overt or thought, will carry a more severe punishment than that of a terrorist. HR 254 is in the House Judiciary Committee phone 202-225-3951 with no hearing date. **ACTION:** *Please contact your Representative and call the Judiciary committee and tell them you oppose HR 254.*

**H Con RES 40 New Bill Protects U.S. Sovereignty** (V Goode, Jr. R-VA) a resolution expressing that the U.S. "should not engage in the construction of a North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) Superhighway System or enter into a North American Union with Mexico and Canada." A globalize scenario is working largely behind the scenes to unite the countries of North America, many facets of which threaten our national security and sovereignty. **ACTION:** *Please contact your U.S. representative and senators, letting them know you support H. Con. Res 40. Call (202) 224-3121 and ask for your representative by name or zip code. Ask to speak with Sens. Boxer and Feinstein as well.*

**The Ryan-DeLauro Bill** - has been reintroduced in Congress. This bill is lauded as a way to prevent unwanted pregnancies. The reality of this bill is to double the funding for Title X, which provides money to organizations like Planned Parenthood (which is an abortion machine). **ACTION:** *Ask your Congressman to oppose the Ryan-DeLauro bill.*

**HR 2046** Would repeal the "don't ask, don't tell" policy. **ACTION:** *Ask your representative to oppose HR 2046 introduced by Rep Martin Meehan.*

### STATE

**AB 43 - Gender-Neutral Marriage (Leno D-San Francisco)** is Same-sex Marriage again. This changes marriage from a civil contract between a man and a woman to a contract between two persons. AB 43 claims that Prop 22's language only relates to out-of-state marriages.

Passed by Assembly Judiciary Committee on 4/10/07

**AB 374 California Compassionate Choices Act** would allow terminally ill adults, who are given less than six months to live, to obtain drugs from a physician to kill themselves. One of the major concerns with AB 374 is that depressed and weakened patients will be coerced into prematurely ending their lives by ill-meaning family members. This bill is re-referred to the

# LEGISLATION UPDATE

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committee on appropriations.

**AB 102** - This bill would allow one party or both parties to a registered domestic partnership to elect to change the surname by which that party wishes to be known after registration of the domestic partnership by entering the new surname in the space provided on the Declaration of Domestic Partnership form.

**AB 629 – School-Sex Education** requires that all state-funded sex education programs include information on at least one contraceptive or STD risk-reducing device.

**AB 675 – Tolerance Training in Schools** would establish the Tolerance Education Pilot Program to promote “tolerance” in public schools as part of history/social science classes. This means that pro-homosexual and other radical indoctrination groups will receive state money to help implement “tolerance training” in schools.

**AB 976** will amend the California Fair Employment and Housing Act to include citizenship and immigration status within the unlawful bases for discrimination in housing accommodations. Hearing in the Judiciary Committee 4/10. **ACTION:** Write or FAX the committee your opposition before 4/4. FAX (916 319-2188)

**ACTION:** Contact your assembly member to oppose AB374, AB102, AB629 and AB675.

**SB 60 – Illegal Immigrant Drivers Licenses** requires the DMV to issue licenses under federal REAL ID to persons who are not legal residents of the United States Act. This bill has been referred to the committee on appropriations.

**SB 777 – Schools Homosexuality/Bisexuality** prohibits discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation at all public and private schools. Also bans any activities, programs, textbooks or instructional materials that “reflect adversely” on homosexuality or Bisexuality. Bans discrimination on basis of sexual orientation at colleges and universities that receive or benefit from state financial assistance or enrolls students who receive state financial aid.

**ACTION:** Contact your state senator to oppose SB 60 and SB 777.

Assembly Judiciary Committee, 1020 N Street, Room 104, Sacramento, CA 95814



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## Rudy Volunteers

The Rudy Presidential Campaign is up and gaining steam locally as a volunteer organization. Joyce Rabourn will speak briefly and be available for questions at our April meeting.

Joyce is the appointed volunteer director for Congressional Districts 11, 14, 15 and 16. She will have a sign-up sheet if you are interested in volunteering or you can contact her at: phone 408-266-6332 or e-mail her at [j.rabourn@comcast.net](mailto:j.rabourn@comcast.net). Stay tuned for more candidates' information.

## Raffle Donations

SVARW will raffle baskets at the May Brunch to benefit our City on the Hill for Youth Project. Please bring new baskets, any new items for the baskets, paper to wrap the baskets, etc. Please bring these items to the April General Meeting. Thank you.

## City on the Hill, July 10-15, 2007

Do you know a young person who would like the opportunity to be part of a mock legislature, tour the state Capitol building, meet with legislators and have a great time while staying at William Jessup University (near Sacramento)? Included are workshops on the government of California, grassroots community organizing, the influence of the news media, career guidance and our Christian heritage. There will be recreation and entertainment in the evenings and a special banquet and Sunday morning worship service.

SVARW is sponsoring a scholarship contest for youths to the City on the Hill Youth Leadership Conference July 10-15, 2007 put on by Capitol Resource Institute. Students must be at least 14 and no older than 18 years old and enrolled in public or private high school or currently being home schooled at the high school level. The Conservative Forum of Silicon Valley has stepped up to co-sponsor this scholarship contest with SVARW. Scholarship applications can be downloaded from the NEWS page of the [www.svarw.com](http://www.svarw.com) website, or...

***If you would like to learn more, contribute, obtain an application, etc., please contact Barbara Wales at (408) 379-0727 or [rdwales@earthlink.net](mailto:rdwales@earthlink.net)***

## Annual Day at the Capitol will take place on Monday, April 30

This popular program teaches average citizens how to effectively lobby their elected officials. Participants will hear presentations from members of the legislature, their staff and other government officials on the legislative process.

CRI encourages adults and students to attend. Cost is \$25 for adults and there is no charge for students under 18. "It was completely worth taking the day to attend this amazing program," explained one past participant. "I learned more in this one program than in my entire high school civics class!" exclaimed another student. "I now feel that I have an understanding of the legislative process; the mystery of the legislature is gone and I feel confident about advocating for my beliefs in the public square," stated another past participant.

**To participate in the 2007 Day at the Capitol, e-mail Karen England today!**

**[kengland@capitolresource.org](mailto:kengland@capitolresource.org)**



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# Ward Connerly

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Event begins at 7:00 PM



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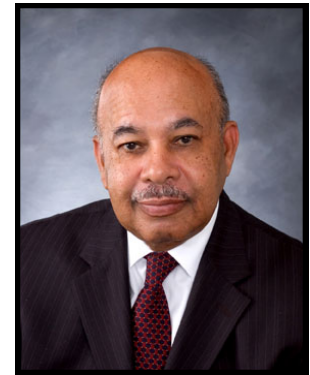
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**Cost: \$20** [\$25 at the door]

Tickets available through SVARW. Make out your check to:  
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### About Ward Connerly

Founder and chairman of the American Civil Rights Institute, a national, not-for-profit organization aimed at educating the public about the need to move beyond race and, specifically, racial and gender preferences.

Mr. Connerly has gained national attention and respect as an outspoken advocate of equal opportunity for all Americans, regardless of race, sex, or ethnic background.

In 1995, Mr. Connerly accepted chairmanship of the California Civil Rights Initiative (Proposition 209) campaign. Under his leadership, the campaign successfully obtained more than 1 million signatures and qualified for the November 1996 ballot. California voters passed Proposition 209 by a 55 percent to 45 percent margin.

**Please print the name of each guest. Pick up name badge at check-in**

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Be one of first 10 to purchase 2 tickets for May 18th brunch and get a free ticket to this event!



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Also featuring a delicious full brunch. Guests and husbands are welcome!

9:00 AM Check In, 9:30 Brunch Begins

### Reservations:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Guests \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is a check made out to SVARW for: # of reservations \_\_\_\_\_

x \$30 per person \_\_\_\_\_

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Deadline: First come first served up to the maximum, deadline May 7, if seats are available.

Questions? Please call Barbara Wales at (408) 379-0727.

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