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Upcoming Events at SVARW

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

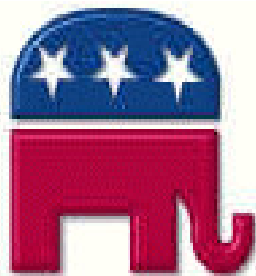
- ♦ January 20th —SVARW Monthly Meeting— Central Valley Water Crisis
- ♦ January 30th —Fun Raiser! For Pete Constant
- ♦ February 17th —SVARW Monthly Meeting Santa Clara County Jail System
- ♦ March 17th —SVARW Monthly Meeting
- ♦ April 21st —SVARW Candidate Forum
- ♦ May 19th —SVARW Monthly Meeting
- ♦ 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

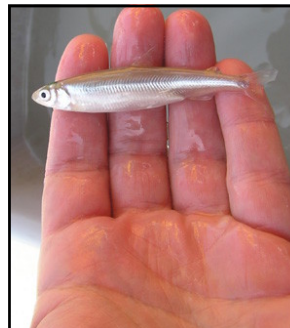


January 20, 2010 —SVARW Monthly Meeting

The Central Valley Water Crisis

THE PACIFIC LEGAL FOUNDATION and THE CENTRAL VALLEY WATER CRISIS

Pacific Legal Foundation is involved in a legal battle challenging the water cutbacks to the Central Valley and Southern California. The Foundation, established in 1973, fights for limited government, property rights, individual rights and a balanced approach to environmental protection. For more information on PLF, visit their website at www.pacificlegal.org



The Delta Smelt



Sean Hannity covering Pacific Legal Foundations fight to turn on the water in the Central Valley

LOCATION

La Rinconada Country Club
Cost: \$13 —Includes Continental
Breakfast

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

Dining and Dancing with Pete

“Fun-Raiser” to Support the Re-election of Pete Constant

January 30th —6:00 PM

See Page 3 to Purchase Tickets Today!

While we sometimes feel that our impact on Federal and State elections is small, we can have a BIG impact on local elections! The SVARW “Fun-Raiser” to support the re-election of the ONLY Republican on the San Jose City Council is such an effort. The only way we will have great candidates to run for higher office is to elect them starting at the local level. Pete Constant has done a tremendous job in his first term on the San Jose City Council—join our “Fun-Raiser” to Re-Elect Pete!

We still need HOSTS and CO-HOSTS for this event!



Officers for 2010

President
Cathy Davis

First Vice President
Martha Snodgrass

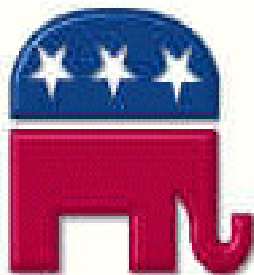
Second Vice President
Carol Joyal

Recording Secretary
Jan Nedde

Corresponding Secretary
Lisa Seago

Treasurer
Helen Gaetano

Next Board Meeting
Wednesday, January
27th
10:00 AM



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 October 28th SVARW Board meeting, the following candidates have been endorsed for the June 2010 primary:

FEDERAL



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

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

NORINE 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 Norine Bacon at 408-377-7111



Help Re-Elect Pete Constant to the San Jose City Council!

Dining & Dancing with Pete!

Saturday, January 30, 2010

6:00—9:00 PM —Elks Lodge, 105 Newell—Los Gatos, CA 95032

Hosts: *Mark and Cathy Davis Peter and Jan Soule Jayne Ham*
Laurette Mayo-Blasig Martha Snodgrass
 Co-Host: *Len Duncan*



Pete Constant
 San Jose City Council
 District 1

Join us for..

- A blast with fellow Republicans!
- Pasta dinner with wine and beverages.
- Listening and dancing to the Big Band sound of the Sons of Jubal band.

Plus...tip the band and join our rousing game of musical chairs!

Purchase Tickets: Complete the form below and mail with check.

Make out your check to RE-ELECT PETE CONSTANT 2010

Mail to: Jan Soule, 3415 Todd Way, San Jose, CA 95124 —Questions? Call 408-705-2156

<input type="text"/>	Host—\$250	<input type="text"/>	Host Couple —\$500
<input type="text"/>	Co-Host —\$125	<input type="text"/>	Co-Host Couple—\$250
<input type="text"/>	Early Tickets \$40	<input type="text"/>	Early Tickets Couple —\$75
<input type="text"/>	Tickets at the door \$50	<input type="text"/>	Couple \$100

Name	
Address	
City, State Zip	
Occupation	
Employer	
Occupation —Spouse (If couple donation)	
Employer —Spouse (if couple donation)	
Occupation —Spouse (if couple donation)	
Phone Number	
Email	

Why Support Pete Constant

In 2006, SVARW was the first organization to step forward and hold a fundraiser for Pete Constant. That was one of the best decisions we have ever made!

Pete is the ONLY Republican on the San Jose City Council. He has consistently stood for conservative values leading the charge to try and convince the San Jose City Council that children should be protected from pornography in the public libraries.

Even if you do not live in San Jose, the decisions made by the San Jose City Council effect you! All other municipalities in Santa Clara County follow the decisions made by San Jose. Plus, San Jose controls facilities like the airport that are used by people living in other areas.

We need to retain Pete's conservative voice in San Jose!



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
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Elaine Alquist
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Legislation

Legislation, Leigh Casey Chairman

I had the chance to attend the "Going Rouge, An American Life" book tour at Fort Bragg, North Carolina just before Thanksgiving and meet Sarah Palin. The four-hour wait in the rain was more than worth it. Mothers with their grown daughters, wives of deployed Soldiers pushing strollers, the unemployed and the retired gathered outside for the chance to say thank you to Sarah. We called her by her first name only, because to us she felt like family.



The energy in line was infectious. We all admitted this was something we had never done, not for a rock star or movie actor. We shared Tea Party stories and outrage at the current administration. We agreed that Sarah Palin represents us. She makes it cool to be Conservatives.

We were shuffled through the line but somehow Sarah made everyone feel like they were the only person in the room. She signed two copies of her book per person while she shook hands with her left hand. She was able to make eye contact and engage in brief conversations. I said exactly what I wanted to tell her, "I'll keep fighting as long as you do." When she shook my hand, I said, "Thank You" as my lip quivered.

After our books were signed, my line buddies and I gathered in front of the "Going Rouge" tour bus and took pictures. It was like Disneyland for Conservatives. When we had gotten our fill we exchanged numbers, emails and hugs. A large group of us waited for her to depart on the bus so we could chat, "Run Sarah, Run" and wave good-bye for now.

I recommend a Tea Party or a book signing if you think you are alone. There are amazing Americans across this country. Thank you Sarah for getting us together.

Volunteers Needed!!!

If you are willing to help with the SVARW Fundraiser for Pete Constant, please attend a working meeting immediately following our regular January 20th meeting at La Rinconada.

Contact Jan Soule 408-705-2156 if you are available to help but cannot attend the meeting.

Proposed Change to SVARW By-Laws

Diane Owen, Parliamentarian

Here is the proposed amendment to the bylaws. It will be voted upon by the SVARW Membership

Currently reads:

ARTICLE IX - COMMITTEES

Section 1. STANDING COMMITTEES

There shall be the following Standing Committees appointed by the President or selected as prescribed in these Bylaws:

Member Communications
Legislation
Newsletter
Public Relations
Republican Affairs
Membership
Program
Ways & Means
Bylaws

AMEND TO READ:

Add: Candidate Development Committee

February 17th SVARW Monthly Meeting

Our Santa Clara County Jail System
Improving Outcomes and Saving Money

Speaker: David Gonzalez

Dave is Executive Director of Friends Outside and a career County Deputy Sheriff in our County Main Jail. He is a Stanford graduate.



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.



Written by Star Parker

Challenges for a Republican Renaissance

We cannot lose sight that we won't have a prosperous nation without free markets and limited government as our constitution originally intended

Monday, November 09, 2009

by [Star Parker](#) 

Republican National Committee Chairman Michael Steele and the New York Yankees can look back on a good week. Maybe Steele deserves extra credit. No one was writing obituaries a year ago for the Yankees as was the case for the Republican Party. Now we have a different picture. Borrowing from the words of Mark Twain, reports of the death of the Republican Party were greatly exaggerated.

The operative question today for Steele and his party, in the wake of winning governorships in Virginia and New Jersey, both Democratic states in 2008, is "Now what?" Will voter discontent that led to these Republican victories be parlayed into a genuine Republican renaissance? As independent voters move away from Democrats and lean back toward Republicans, which is what happened in Virginia and New Jersey, and what polling over the year has shown to be happening nationwide, will Republicans build a solid new tent? Will they rebuild their party with values critical to restoring a sick nation to health?

To genuinely rebuild, Republicans must successfully take on two big challenges, one internal and one external. First, a notion that has divided the party -- that free market economics and the social "values" agenda are separate cards to be played -- must be purged. The more libertarian stream -- Republicans whose principal concerns are limited government, low taxes, and free markets -- have viewed Christian social conservatism as dead weight in the party. This is a mistake.

Christian conservatives, on the other hand, with legitimate concerns about the moral framework of the nation -- concerns about the integrity of the American family and about the ongoing abortion holocaust -- have given shorter shrift to the importance of constitutionally limited government and free markets.

These two streams within the Republican Party that have been flowing in parallel must be channeled into one powerful river. It is not either or. Both are essential. We cannot lose sight that we won't have a prosperous nation without free markets and limited government as our constitution originally intended.

But we also must recognize that a free economy cannot function without trust, that trust will not exist without a moral people, and that the means through which values and morality are transmitted, generation to generation, is family.

Those who don't appreciate the importance of the social agenda should consider that when Ronald Reagan was elected in 1980, 18 percent of American babies were born to unwed mothers. Today it is 40 percent. This kind of family disintegration is incompatible with a free and functioning society.

The second challenge, one getting some lip service but practically ignored by Republicans, is the demographic changes occurring in the country. Although white Americans today constitute 65 percent of our population, the Census Bureau projects that whites will drop below 50 percent by 2042. In 1976, ninety percent of voters were white. In 2008, 74 percent were white and it's estimated that this will drop to 70 percent in 2016. Ninety percent of John McCain's support in 2008 was from white voters.

If the Republican Party is to have a future, it must reach non-white Americans, most of whom have been voting for Democrats. Can this be done with success? Yes. And this is where the two challenges converge. Not only do big government policies and the moral relativism of Democrats not solve the problems of black and Hispanic communities, they make them worse. Blacks and Hispanics are in critical need of the traditional values of conservatism and the prosperity that can come only from capitalism.

Taking on these two big challenges -- connecting free market capitalism with traditional values, and outreach to non-white America -- will secure a Republican and an American renaissance.



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.





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Letter from SVARW President, Cathy Davis

"Never doubt that a small group of committed people can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." ~Margaret Mead

Happy New Year to Everyone!

Don't you just love that quote?! It gives me inspiration that SVARW will continue to make a difference in Silicon Valley. Looking back at last year, SVARW had a very productive year. Some of the highlights include our membership growing significantly, the Stars and Stripes Gala having the best attendance ever AND us sending over 1500 letters to public officials. It was quite a busy year. For this year, we are going to build on that success. Some of the things planned are the development of a new Candidate Development Committee (which you can read about in this newsletter) and a spring event with Star Parker. In addition, the Stars and Stripes committee is retooling the event because we've outgrown Maria and Larry Fischer's home. These are just a few of the things planned for 2010. We also have some important elections coming up this year and as usual, SVARW will be working to get Republicans elected to office. It's all exciting but we can't do it without and active membership; so for this year, encourage you to volunteer to work on a committee, campaign or other activity that interests you. No matter what your talents or time there is a spot for you in SVARW.

Again, happy new year and I am looking forward to working with you in the coming year!

Cathy