

UPCOMING EVENTS AT SVARW

Mark Your Calendar!

- ◆ June 14 Meeting of PARWF, A Conversation with the Founders of the Constitution, Michael's at Shoreline 11:30am
- ◆ June 20—Red, White and Blue Meeting with Staff Sergeant Weichert
- ◆ August 25—Stars and Stripes Gala at Maria and Larry Fischer's House.
- ◆ Sept. 19—Lydia Ortega, Chairman, Dept. of Economics at SJSU
- ◆ October 6, Saturday morning—Melanie Morgan Book Signing. Location to be announced.

SVARW MONTHLY MEETINGS

**La Rinconada
Country Club**

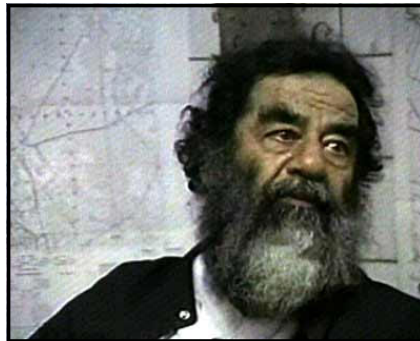
9:00 AM to 11:00 AM
14595 Clearview Drive
Los Gatos, CA 95032

Cost: \$12 for Continental
Breakfast

For more information,
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Jan Soule'
408-705-2156



June 20: Red, White and Blue Meeting



Think all of the news out of Iraq is bad?

Get a first-hand account from National Guard Staff Sergeant Kenneth Weichert. He will be sharing some of his experiences in Iraq, including taking part in the capture of Saddam Hussein.



Support Our Troops!

Julie DeMaria, co-founder of Operation Care and Comfort, a volunteer group that assembles and sends packages to our troops deployed in Iraq and Afghanistan, will present information about her group's efforts to support over 60 military units on a monthly basis. They send care packages to our deployed military personnel.

You can be part of this effort!

SVARW will be collecting items at our June 20th meeting to send to the troops. Some of the items that are needed on a continuous basis include:

Snacks, Foods and Treats: individually wrapped hard candy; small packages of nuts, seeds, pretzels, cookies, chips; trail mix, energy bars, protein bars, breakfast & granola bars; powdered sweetened drink mixes, ground or instant coffee, tea bags, hot chocolate, cider mix, sugar, sweetener, coffee mate, and condiment packets

Personal, Hygiene & Toiletries: Hotel/travel sized gel deodorant, shampoo, lotion, toothpaste & mouthwash, toothbrushes, dental floss and brush ups; disposable razors, eye drops, nose drops, unscented baby wipes, wet wipes, small hand sanitizer, mach III turbo razor blades; small Kleenex packets, Q-tips (large packages are fine), anti-fungal creams, band aids, foot powder, sunscreen; DVDs, AAA and AA batteries, pens, pencils, blank greeting cards and stationary, stickers, disposable cameras, AT&T phone cards; gallon, quart, sandwich and snack sized Ziploc bags to make care packages; hand written cards and letters of encouragement for our troops.

August 25th — SVARW Stars and Stripes Gala. — See details starting on page 6.

Special Guests: San Jose City Councilman, Pete Constant and Santa Clara County GOP Chair, Keen Butcher.



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SVARW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR 2007

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Sharon Weger
Recording Secretary

Gail DeSmet
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Helen Gaetano
Treasurer

Diane Owen
Parliamentarian

Summer Break

SVARW takes a break from regular meetings during July & August. Look for your next newsletter at the beginning of September

SVARW ANNOUNCEMENTS

SVARW Bylaws

On May 23, 2007, the Bylaws for SVARW were adopted. Many thanks to Diane Owen, our Parliamentarian who spent many hours on this project and to Mary Johnson for her input. The Bylaws Committee is now working on a Manual of Operating Procedures. The Manual of Operating Procedures (a.k.a., MOP) will include the details on how our organization is run including job descriptions for each of the chairman, candidate endorsement procedures, etc.

Membership Rosters

2007 Membership Rosters are at the printer and will be available for pick up at our June 20th meeting. The rosters will include a full copy of the SVARW Bylaws that were adopted on May 23rd. Due to cost, we will not do a general mailing of the roster.

Ways and Means

I have enjoyed being the Ways and Means Chair for the last four and a half years; it is really a fun position. I would now like to thank Marian Cosgrove for graciously taking over and wish her good luck.

You may purchase one of our patriotic scarves and put it on at our June meeting and you will have your red, white, and blue look. The scarves are only \$8.00. We also have Patriotic jewelry available for \$10.00 and \$1.00. The price of See's candy has gone up so you may purchase one of our certificates for less than you would pay at the store. They are \$13.60. We also have patriotic flag and troop magnets for \$5.00 and writing pens for \$1.00.

Thanks for all the purchases over the years; it has really benefited our organization.
Claudette Averill

Member Communications

Help! Member Communications Chairman, Pam Bonhomme needs volunteers for our telephone committee. Volunteers are asked to make calls to a list of 6 people to remind them about our monthly meetings. Can you spare 15 minutes a month to help?

Please contact Pamela Bonhomme at pbonhomme@comcast.net or 408-269-1410

Nominating Committee

It's time to nominate officers to head SVARW in 2008. The nominating committee consists of Maria Fischer, Helen Gaetano, Joyce Stone, Betty Jo Watkins, and Gloria Lamping. Contact Maria Fisher if you would like to nominate a member to run for office.



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LEGISLATION UPDATE

BY CLAUDETTE AVERILL

NATION- June 2007

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 1592 Local Law Enforcement Hate Crimes Prevention Act (Conyers-D MI) – prosecutes any speech against homosexuality. President Bush has promised to VETO this. **ACTION:** *Passed the House. Contact President Bush and thank him for his promise to veto this bill.*

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) Super-highway System or enter into a North American Union with Mexico and Canada." A globalist scenario is working largely behind the scenes to unite the countries of North America. **ACTION:** *Please contact your U.S. representative and senators, letting them know you support H. Con. Res 40. Capitol switchboard (202) 224-3121. This is sitting in limbo make a call so they do not let this die.*

A-Plus Act of 2007 will allow school administrators and teachers to better serve their students by allowing them to focus on educational opportunities rather than bureaucratic requirements. **ACTION:** *Call your Representative and Senators an urge them to cosponsor and support the A-Plus Act of 2007.*

HR 1074 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. **ACTION:** *Ask your Congressman to oppose the Ryan-DeLauro bill. This bill is in the Ways and Means.*

HR 1246 Military Readiness Enhancement Act of 2007 repeals the current "Don't Ask Don't Tell" policy. **Action:** *Ask your representative to oppose HR1246. In Subcommittee for Military Personnel.*

S.1173 Freedom of Choice Act (Boxer) codifies a right to "legalized" abortion. By its actual language, the bill would invalidate any "statute, ordinance, regulation, administrative order, decision, policy, practice, or other action" of any federal, state, or local government or governmental official (or any person acting under government authority) that would "deny or interfere with" a woman's so-called right to abortion. **ACTION:** *Contact Senators and Representatives; urge them to oppose. Phone 202-224-3121.*

HR 1999 – provides \$5Mil in 2008 and \$10Mil each year thereafter of taxpayer dollars to National Council of La Raza to help economically-disadvantaged Hispanics with housing. La Raza's slogan is "for the race (Hispanics), everything; for others, nothing." The NCLR already receives megabucks from such corporations as Verizon, Ford, etc. **ACTION:** *Voice your opinion to your Congressman/woman.*

STATE

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. **ASM Appropriation Committee.** **ACTION:** *Contact your assembly member to oppose AB 629.*

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 school. **Hearing ASM Education CANCELLED.** **Action:** *Contact you assembly member to oppose AB675*

AB 16 HPV Vaccine now changes the authority for determining required vaccination from the state legislature to a single state official who will rely on the recommendations of a federal panel, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, which currently recommends the HPV vaccine for girls aged 11-12. AB16 is still a mandate and offers no opt-out notification for parents. **Appropriation Committee.** **ACTION:** *Contact your assembly member to oppose AB16.*

AB 708 Reproductive Health Abstinence Education – requires the State Department of Public Health to

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develop and implement a program of abstinence education that will allow California to take advantage of available and much-needed federal funds. ASM Health committee. Failed passage, reconsideration granted. **ACTION:** Contact your assembly member to **support** AB 708. **Probably will die.**

AB 394 Instruction Material – requires schools districts to establish and publicize anti-discrimination and anti-harassment policies based on “actual or perceived” gender or sexual orientation on school campuses. **ACTION:** Contact your Assembly member to oppose AB394.

AB 755 – Criminalizes spanking in California, presumable under specific circumstances, is listed as Corporal Punishment. **ACTION:** Contact your assembly member to oppose AB 755.

AB 1278 Human Trafficking would declare that any provision of a contract that purports to allow a deduction from a person's wages for the cost of transporting that person to the United States would be void as against public policy. The bill would also prosecute human traffickers of a minor and it would increase the penalty to imprisonment in the state prison. **ACTION:** Ask your assembly member to **support** AB 1278.

SB 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.* **ACTION:** Ask your assembly member to oppose SB 102. Passed the Senate 37-2 with 13 republicans voting for it.

SB 288 Pupils comprehensive learning support system explicitly states that it is the responsibility of the government, not parents, to create students who are "good parents, good neighbors, good workers, and good citizens of the world." Now, instead of being institutions of learning, schools will become the nannies of children. **ACTION:** Ask your senator to oppose SB288.

AB 14 – Sexual Orientation, Nondiscrimination (Laird D-Santa Cruz) adds “sexual orientation” to the list of nondiscrimination criteria in business and association codes. This removes existing immunities for uncompensated officers of nonprofit corporations which restrict membership, services or benefits on the basis of “sexual orientation.” **Passed to Senate.** **ACTION:** Contact your senator to oppose AB14.

SB 11 – Domestic Partnerships (Migden D-San Rafael) extends California's domestic partnerships to same-sex couples, to any two persons over 18 who are in an “intimate and committed relationship of mutual caring” and share a common residence. **ACTION:** Contact your state senator to oppose SB11.

SB 777 – Schools Homosexuality/Bisexuality prohibits discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation at all public and private schools. This bill requires textbooks, instructional materials and school sponsored activities to positively portray cross-dressing, sex-change operations, homosexual “marriages,” and all aspects of homosexuality and bisexuality, including so called “gay history.” Also bans discrimination at colleges and universities that receive or benefit from state financial assistance. **Passed the Senate.** **ACTION:** Contact your assembly member to oppose SB777. Look in the May newsletter for complete list of local assembly phone numbers or on our website <http://www.svarw.com/StateContacts.html>. District 24-Jim Beall 916 319 2024. St. Capitol, Room 5016, Sac. CA 94249 is most of ours.

SB 621 – requires the districts that allow students in grades 7-12 to be released for confidential medical services without parental knowledge or consent, to provide a stand alone notice annually to parents that this policy is in place. **ACTION:** Contact your state senator to **support** SB 621.

AB 43 – Gender-Neutral Marriage - 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. **ACTION:** Ask your assembly member to oppose AB 43.

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. **ACTION:** Ask your assembly member to oppose AB 374.



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SCVRA PROUDLY PRESENTS TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM

VALERIE AND DIANE

THEY WILL BE SPEAKING ABOUT
THEIR WORK WITH THE CENTERS.

JUNE 18, 2007

JONATHAN ROOM (GLASS)
RAMADA INN SUNNYVALE
1217 WILDWOOD
SUNNYVALE CA 94089
7:00PM

Please come prepared to give generously to the CPC. We have 3 in the area: East SJ, West SJ and Mountain View. They are being fought by the ACLU and Planned Parenthood for giving young girls and women a different choice than abortion.


Planned Parenthood is federally-funded to the tune of \$283,000,000.00 a year. Not only that, they are asking for \$1,000,000.00 more—of YOUR TAX DOLLARS to be added to "Title X" next fiscal year. Planned Parenthood will get at least 25% of this money.

Contact:: Jack Davis
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In March of last year, our members stepped out and hosted a fundraiser for a great Republican candidate who was working against all odds to become a member of the Democrat-controlled San Jose City Council. This year we are delighted to have **San Jose City Councilman Pete Contant** and his wife Julie as our special guests at the August 25th Stars and Stripes Gala! But that's not all!



Also joining us on August 25th will be the **Chairman of the Santa Clara County Republican Party, Keen Butcher** and his wife. Keen is a big supporter of SVARW and our efforts to raise money and work to get good Republicans elected to office.



Not only is our annual Stars and Stripes Gala a great way to invite Republican women to get involved with our organization but it is also a great way for SVARW to meet Republicans who are thinking of running for office in the coming year. **We are always looking for great people that we can support.**

Tickets are on sale now. No more than 100 tickets will be sold so get yours today!
See page 7 & 8 for more details and to order your tickets.

Ticket prices go up after June 20, so get your tickets now!

Do you know a great person who is thinking of running for office?
Invite them to the SVARW Stars and Stripes Gala!

Stars and Strips Silent Auction

Items include Greek Dinner for 8, Hungarian Dinner for 8, shooting lesson on private ranch, 3-nights at the Fischer's home in Maui and more!

The Silicon Valley Association of Republican Women Presents

Stars and Stripes Celebration

Dinner and Dancing Under the Stars

Saturday, August 25, 2007

6:00 – 10:00 P.M.



At the beautiful home of

Larry and Maria Fischer

105 Kathy Court, Los Gatos

Live Music

Spectacular Gourmet Dinner Catered by

Pat Smith

Wine Included

Dress is Casual Elegant

Questions? Maria Fischer, 408-395-0335 or Lisa Marshik, 408-358-0828

Reservations —See Order Form on Next Page

This event is always a sell out and reservations are on a first come first served basis. All reservations must be accompanied by payment.

<u>Category</u>	<u>Checks received by 6-20</u>	<u>Checks received after 6-20</u>
SVARW Member (including husband Supporting member.)	\$60 per person	\$67 per person
Non-members*	\$70 per person	\$75 per person

*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 **2007 & 2008**. Husband Supporting Member dues are \$5.

Donations for Baskets

For our Summer Stars and Stripes Social we are collecting items for baskets to be raffled. Donations may be brought to the May and June meetings.

Lisa Marshik will be collecting items at the meetings.

Among the donations we could use are baskets, and **NEW items** including wine, gift certificates, Americanism items, theater tickets, new jewelry, new cosmetics, non-perishable food items such as pasta, pasta sauce, etc for an Italian basket, new books and anything else you think you would like to receive in a basket.

This is the perfect opportunity to promote your business or a friend's business. Examples would be: Gift Certificates for consultation on interior design, tax preparation, any beauty treatments, restaurants, hotels, even a basket prepared that we can credit the business for donating. This is an inexpensive way to market your business!

Do you have a hidden talent? Maybe you do scrap booking or can make sushi. Get creative and offer a gift certificate for your services. Do you have a vacation home you would be willing to offer? Are you crafty—knit an Americana scarf, quilt or jewelry.

Proceeds from raffle will support local candidate development projects!!





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STARS & STRIPES GALA — TICKET ORDER

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO SVARW AND MAIL TO: LISA MARSHIK,
319 BLOSSOM VALLEY DR., LOS GATOS, CA 95032

Reserve Tickets For: Name	Member/Supporting Member _____ \$60**	Non-Member# _____ \$70**
Reserve Tickets For: Name	_____ \$60**	_____ \$70**

Please send tickets to:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email: _____

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New Member?

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New Supporting Member-Spouse?

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****For orders received after JUNE 20, 2007, Tickets are \$67 for members, \$75 for non-members—NO EXCEPTIONS!**