



Silicon Valley Association of Republican Women

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Upcoming Events at SVARW

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- ▶ **March 8th**— Walk for Dean Andal
- ▶ **March 14th**— Lincoln Dinner
- ▶ **March 19th** — SVARW Meeting at La Rinconada, Guest Speaker, Pete Constant
- ▶ **April 5th**— Dining and Dancing with Frank
- ▶ **April 16th** — SVARW Meeting at La Rinconada. Candidate Forum
- ▶ **May 21st** — SVARW Meeting at La Rinconada.
- ▶ **June 18th** — SVARW Meeting at La Rinconada. Traditional Red, White and Blue Meeting
- ▶ **August** —Stars and Stripes

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



March 19th SVARW Meeting—Guest Speaker San Jose City Councilman Pete Constant

Getting Pete Constant elected to the San Jose City Council has been a tremendous benefit to us...whether you live in San Jose or not. As the 10th largest city in the nation, the policies set by the city influence policies in other cities in our county. Come hear Councilman Constant speak on "Influencing Public Policy". Pete Constant will speak about his experience as an elected official and how his position helps shape the City's policies. He will discuss the types of roadblocks he faces and what he has been able to accomplish.

Location: La Rinconada Country Club. Check in: 9:00 AM. Cost: \$13 includes continental breakfast.



San Jose City Councilman
Pete Constant

Dining and Dancing with Frank Chavez April 5th—Don't Miss It!



If you joined us for the "Dining and Dancing with Dean" you know how much fun a "Fun-Raiser" to support the election of local candidates can be! We have more fun in store on April 5th to support the election of Frank Chavez to Santa Clara County Supervisor. Please see Page 7 for details!

The event will be held at the Elk's Lodge in Los Gatos so we'll have plenty of room for fun and dancing to the Big Band Sound of the Sons of Jubal. We also have great raffle prizes in store for you, including a beautiful piece of hand-crafted jewelry from Chavez Jewelry Design.

Legislation

By Claudette Averill

Sarah's Law

In California, a child under 18 years of age cannot receive an aspirin or flu shot from a school nurse without a parent knowing. Hypocritically however, a doctor can perform a surgical or chemical abortion on a minor (girl) without informing her parents. Sarah's Law will require that a physician notify a parent within 48 hours before the abortion. If the girl states that her parents are abusive, another member of the family will be notified.

Over 16,000 abortions are performed yearly on California teens. These teens suffer emotional and medical consequences as a result of an abortion, including but not limited to an increased risk of breast cancer. Between 2005-2006, Planned Parenthood



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Sarah's Law Continued...

performed over 264,000 abortions. These abortions are almost never reported to the proper authorities unless something goes wrong as in the case of an Oregon abortion clinic that performed an abortion on an 11 year old girl. Shamefully, they failed to report the sexual abuse as required by law. The abuse was disclosed to authorities only because the abortion was incomplete and the girl was taken to the hospital where a doctor then reported the abortion and abuse.

It is these types of horrors that we can bring to an end by simply acquiring the necessary signatures to enforce Sarah's Law, thus pulling the sheets off the hypocrisy by which California operates. So please obtain as many signatures as you are able to and mail them in the provided envelopes or bring them to me, Claudia Averill, at the next meeting. All signatures must be in by March 30th. Once again, I thank you for your effort.

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Marriage Protection Act

Legislation by Claudette Averill

Please remember to bring your California Marriage Protection Act Petitions to the next meeting as I must turn them in by April 6. It is vital that we obtain enough signatures to place this initiative on the ballot, or as Dr. Jim Garlow stated at the marriage rally last Sunday, "The traditional marriage which has been in existence for over 5,000 years will disappear." Dr. Garlow, a minister in San Diego, who passes biblical petitions down the pews, feels that if ministers and churches do not stand for Biblical principals, who will? Dr. Garlow also believes that this will probably be the last chance to save marriage in the U.S., due to the fact that usually, "As California goes, so goes the nation."

I cannot stress how important it is that we fight for the preservation of true marriage. This month, The California Supreme Court, is going to vote that Proposition 22 is unconstitutional. Dr. Garlow says that if we are unable to ratify the California Marriage Protection Act, then not only will homosexuals be allowed to marry, but ministers will be forced to perform gay marriages, and hire homosexuals. If they refuse, then their tax exemption and the congregation's tax deductions will be taken away. Naturally, many churches would not be able to afford this, as it is, they are running on very tight budgets as we speak.

Dr. Garlow also went on to explain that the true meaning of the separation of church and state, as it is written in the Constitution, is that the government is NOT allowed to tell the church, what it may and may not do. Tragically, as it has become more and more popular, liberals, in an effort to enforce their own beliefs which they call "rights", are literally stripping us of our rights, which are not beliefs but rights given to us by the Constitution. Therefore, ***I encourage you to obtain as many signatures as possible and bring them to the next meeting. If you are unable to attend, please mail them to:***

Values Advocacy Council
735 Capitol Expressway Auto Mall
San Jose, CA 95136

Thank you for all your hard work, I really appreciate it and I hope that you know that without your help, none of this would be possible.

Legislation Continued....

CEDAW—Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women

The Truth Behind the Deceptive Name!

The Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, more commonly known as CEDAW, is a misleading and dishonest name regarding this organization of abominable acts. This treaty was formed at the United Nations in the 1970s. There are 185 signatory nations who have agreed to abide by the rulings of a special CEDAW Committee that enforces international compliance. President Jimmy Carter signed the CEDAW treaty agreement in 1979. Our Senate never ratified the treaty. Senator Biden, Chair of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, has made it abundantly clear that it is to become top priority of the liberals to ratify this treaty.

This treaty is unlike any other legislation in regards to what President Bush could do with it. Whereas any Congressional Action can be vetoed by the President, in this case he has no such authority under the Constitution to stop CEDAW once the Senate ratifies it. This "committee" is presently composed of powerful feminists from around the world, including members from Communist China and Cuba. In the last few years, the **CEDAW Committee has accomplished the following:**

- Ordered Belarus to **stop celebrating Mother's Day**, because it reinforces a "sex-role stereotype"
- Encouraged Communist China to **legalize prostitution**
- Told Slovenia that **not enough of its three-year-old children were being put into government day care centers**
- Recommended Ireland **change its constitution to stop "promoting a stereotypical view of the role of women in the home and as mothers"**
- Demanded the Central Asian nation of Kyrgyzstan **declare lesbianism a legal "sexual orientation"** instead of a criminal offense
- Directed Germany to **open more childcare centers so more mothers could leave the home and go to work**
- Mandated that Romania **add sex education to its school curricula**
- Criticized Mexico for its **"lack of access to easy and swift abortions"**
- Ordered Libya to **"review" its interpretation of the Koran "in light of the provisions of the CEDAW Convention"**
- In 2007 told 18 countries **that they were not liberal enough in providing abortions**

The CEDAW has encouraged the legalization of prostitution around the globe. Their argument is that women should be allowed to pursue any and all career options! Never before has the United States ratified a treaty that surrenders control over U.S. domestic policy, nonetheless, to one with beliefs like these! *In reality, if this treaty were to be ratified, we would not need to worry about marriage petitions, or working to ban partial birth abortion, as that would all go away if CEDAW took over. If the CEDAW were to be ratified, the government would be empowered to interfere with the most personal of human relationships: family, marriage and religion. We need to call our Senators immediately. Oops, I forgot, Senator Boxer is on board for the ratifying of this treaty. What a shock! Well, we can still call Senator Feinstein.*



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OTHER MEMBERS WHO HAVE RECENTLY PASSED AWAY INCLUDE, MARTHA FREISEN AND ANN ANGELERI.



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North American Army Created Without OK By Congress

Tell Congress the U.S. should withdraw from the Security and Prosperity Partnership.

Alert: In a ceremony that received virtually no attention in the American media, the United States and Canada signed a military agreement February 14th, allowing the armed forces from one nation to support the armed forces of the other nation during a domestic civil emergency, even one that does not involve a cross-border crisis. The agreement, defined as a Civil Assistance Plan, was not submitted to Congress for approval, nor did Congress pass any law or treaty specifically authorizing this military agreement to combine the operations of the armed forces of the United States and Canada in the event of a wide range of domestic civil disturbances ranging from violent storms, to health epidemics, to civil riots or terrorist attacks.

In Canada, the agreement paving the way for the militaries of the U.S. and Canada to cross each other's borders to fight domestic emergencies was not announced either by the Harper government or the Canadian military, prompting sharp protest.

The military Civil Assistance Plan can be seen as a further incremental step being taken toward creating a North American armed forces available to be deployed in domestic North American emergency situations. The agreement was signed at U.S. Army North headquarters, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, by U.S. Air Forces General Gene Renuart, Commander of NORAD and U.S. Northern Commander, or USNORTHCOM, and by Canadian Air Force Lt. General Marc Dumais, Commander of Canada Command.

In May 2007, President Bush on his own authority, signed National Security Presidential Directive 51, also known as Homeland Security Presidential Directive 20, authorizing the president to declare a national emergency and take over all functions of federal, state, local, territorial and tribal governments, without necessarily obtaining the approval of Congress to do so. (Source: WND.com)

DO NOT BE SILENCED BY ANYONE, STAND UP! MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD!

What the Liberal Press Isn't Reporting

President Bush has just returned from a five-nation tour of Africa. Did you know that? If you watch the mainstream media, you didn't see much coverage of that story. Why? Two reasons probably. The first is that President Bush is hugely popular in Africa because of all the resources and effort he's committed to fighting AIDS, malaria, and other diseases on the continent. He's also instituted good governance programs with incentives that have begun to show real dividends for the people of many African nations.

The Pew Global Attitudes project shows that Bush and the U.S. have positive approval ratings over 80% across Africa. That doesn't fit with the negative picture of Bush's presidency that the Left wants you to believe. Secondly, an icon of the Liberal Left stepped forward on this trip to become an unlikely defender of the President. Sir Bob Geldof, founder of Live Aid and passionate advocate for Africa, had some glowing words for our President and some harsh ones for the U.S. press.

California State Senator Promotes Communism in Public School

Just when we thought the indoctrination in California's public schools couldn't get any worse, state lawmakers introduce bills that will further brainwash innocent children. The latest assault on personal freedom and critical thinking skills is SB 1322, authored by liberal state senator Alan Lowenthal.

This bill would actually allow the promotion of communism in public schools.

The Civic Center Act requires a school district to grant the use of school property, when an alternative location is not available, to nonprofit organizations, clubs or associations organized to promote youth and school activities. But the law also states that the property may not be used by anyone intent on overthrowing the government. SB 1322 would delete the requirement that an individual or organization wanting to use the school property is not a Communist action organization or Communist front organization. This bill would also strike the law that a public school or community college employee may be fired if he or she is a member of the Communist Party.

This bill would also strike the law that prohibit a teacher giving instruction in a school or on public school property from teaching communism with the intent to indoctrinate or to inculcate in the mind of any pupil a preference for communism. The bill would also delete provisions that a teacher may be dismissed from employment if he or she teaches communism in that way.

Under existing law, a public employee is required to answer, under oath, specified questions, including, but not limited to, knowing membership in an organization advocating the forceful or violent overthrow of the government of the United States or of any state. This bill would delete these provisions.

Home Schooling Found Unlawful by California Court of Appeal

Provided by The Pacific Justice League

www.pacificjustice.org

Los Angeles, CA – In a stunning decision affecting thousands of families in California, the California Court of Appeal has issued an opinion finding no legal right to home school. "Parents who fail to [comply with school enrollment laws] may be subject to a criminal complaint against them, found guilty of an infraction, and subject to imposition of fines or an order to complete a parent education and counseling program," wrote Justice H. Walter Croskey whose opinion was joined by the other two members of the appellate panel. The opinion was issued February 28, 2008, in a case titled *In re Rachel L.*, which reversed a Superior Court Judge, Stephen Marpet, who found that "parents have a constitutional right to school their children in their own home."

The parents of Rachel L. enrolled her in Sunland Christian School, a private home schooling program. In his opinion, Croskey, 75, described what he called the "ruse of enrolling [children] in a private school and then letting them stay home and be taught by a non-credentialed parent." Despite this statement by the Court, it should be noted that Sunland Christian School has been in full compliance with the requirements of the law for more than twenty years. "We've never been given an opportunity to represent our case in the Court of Appeal," said Terry Neven, the president of the school. "Consequently, we are excited that PJI will represent us before the California Supreme Court so that the rights of home schooling families are preserved," he stated further.

In a section titled "Consequences of Parental Denial of a Legal Education," the Court said that "parents are subject to being ordered to enroll their children in an appropriate school or education program and provide proof of enrollment to the court, and willful failure to comply with such an order may be punished by a fine for civil contempt."

"The scope of this decision by the appellate court is breathtaking. It not only attacks traditional home schooling, but also calls into question home schooling through charter schools and teaching children at home via independent study through public and private schools," stated Brad Dacus, president of the Pacific Justice Institute "If not reversed, the parents of the more than 166,000 students currently receiving an education at home will be subject to criminal sanctions," he continued.



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Walk with Dean March 8th Walk

MORNING WALK

STARTS AT 10:00 A.M.

Enjoy coffee and rolls, a rousing message from Dean, and then we are off to the local neighborhoods.

AFTERNOON WALK

STARTS AT 1:00 P.M.

Fortify yourself with pizza, a few words from Dean, and then once again we are off to hit the precincts

Don't forget folks, just a few hours of your time can and will make a BIG difference!!

Please Remember to let us know ahead of time if you can make the walk. Call Carol at Republican Headquarters
408-246-6600
OR
Email us directly at director@svgop.com

Join The SVARW Table for the Lincoln Dinner March 14th

The Santa Clara County Republican Party will be hosting the traditional Lincoln Dinner on March 14th at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Santa Clara. State Insurance Commissioner, Steve Poizner, will be the guest speaker. Poizner, who will be the likely Republican candidate to replace Governor Schwarzenegger in 2010, was the leading force in the defeat of the Democrat-back term limits proposition that was defeated in February.

The evening will also feature San Jose City Councilman Pete Constant and a special message from President Bush. Tickets for the dinner and the program are \$65 per person, and the prices will rise to \$75 per person after March 7th.

If you would like to sit at the Silicon Valley Association of Republican Women table, please let Janet Chakraborty know as soon as you can. Please remember, **All seats at the SVARW are reserved.** Janet can be reached at 408- 997-6642.

You can purchase tickets by:

- Credit Card. Go to www.svgop.com/rsvp
- Check: Please make your check payable to the **Santa Clara County Republican Party**, and send your check to,
Republican Headquarters
522 North Monroe
San Jose, CA 95128

Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you there.

Volunteer to Help Elect Dean Andal—March 8th Walk

The 11th Congressional District is definitely a winnable seat with more registered Republicans than Democrats, a terrific Republican candidate...and the determination of Silicon Valley Republicans to ensure that Dean carries Morgan Hill. There are four swing areas in the 11th congressional district that Dean must win... and Morgan Hill with 36,000 residents is one. In 2006, Republicans from all over the country descended on San Jose's District 1 with 90,000 residents to support Pete Constant's campaign for San Jose City Council and he won with 60% of the vote! We can do the same in Morgan Hill for Dean!

To get the ball rolling, County Chairman Keen Butcher and Morgan Hill City Team Leader, Denise McElhiney are sponsoring a "Walk with Dean" on Saturday, March 8th. Come join Dean and fellow Republicans! We'll walk the neighborhoods, registering Republicans and spreading the word.

If you can make the Walk with Dean on March 8 please contact Carol at Republican HQ at 408-246-6600 or email us at director@svgop.com with the number of your party, and which session (am or pm) you will be attending.

Dining and Dancing with Frank

You're Invited to a **"FUN-RAISER"**!

*Eat, Have Fun, and Help Elect a
Republican to the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors*

Where can you:

- Have a blast with like-minded Republicans?
- Listen to the Big Band sounds of the 26 piece Sons of Jubal Band?

Right here!

April 5th — 6:00-8:30 PM

Elks Lodge, 105 Newell—Los Gatos, CA 95032

Ticket Information

\$35 in advance

\$45 at the door

To sign up, complete the form
below making checks payable to

Friends of Frank Chavez

Mail to:

120 Talmadge Ave
San Jose, CA 95127

Frankly, \$35 is a terrific deal for:
Dinner, Dessert and
a Terrific live Band!

**We hope you will come and
contribute to Frank Chavez's
campaign for Santa Clara
County Supervisor.**

**To make it fun, we'll have
great raffle prizes!!!**

Questions? (408) 997-6642

**100% of money collected
goes to Frank's campaign!!**



Frank Chavez

President of the Alum Rock
Elementary Union School
District Governing Board.

Member of the Chuck Reed
Mayoral Transition Team on
Education.

Current member of the Mayoral
General Plan Task Force.

Former Three Term President,
Secretary and Secretary
Treasurer of the Story Road
Business Association.

Commander of the East Valley
Chapter of the American GI
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Current Member of the
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Learn more about Frank at:
www.ElectFrankChavezI.org

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Dining and Dancing with Frank — April 5, 2008

_____ Tickets @ \$35 per person (\$45 and the door)

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