



Silicon Valley Association of Republican Women

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Upcoming Events at SVARW

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- ◆ November 18th — SVARW Meeting with Brad Dacus
- ◆ December 9th —SVARW Christmas Luncheon and Installation of Officers for 2010
- ◆ December 12th —Political Party, 5:00 PM at the home of Larry and Maria Fisher
- ◆ January 20th —SVARW Monthly Meeting
- ◆ January 30th —Fun Raiser! For Pete Constant
- ◆ 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



November 18, 2009 —SVARW Meeting

Reclaim Your Schools!!

The primary mission of Pacific Justice Institute is to provide rigorous defense for families and religious organizations when their constitutionally guaranteed freedoms are threatened.

Brad Dacus will be speaking about recent cases that PJI has been involved with to protect your constitutional rights.

In 1997, Mr. Dacus founded Pacific Justice Institute, where he serves as President and continues to defend religious liberties and parental rights. The Pacific Justice Institute has a network of approximately a thousand volunteer affiliate attorneys and handles more cases on the West Coast than any other organization of its kind. Brad Dacus has been a guest speaker on numerous radio and television programs, participates weekly in several radio talk show interviews, and has appeared on ABC's "Good Morning America," "The Today Show," "CNN," "Hannity and Colmes," "News Talk TV," "MSNBC," "NBC News," NBC "Dateline" and many times on the "O'Reilly Factor."

Learn more about Pacific Justice Institute by visiting their website:
<http://www.pacificjustice.org/>

The SVARW Board passed a motion to encourage our members to consider making a donation to the Pacific Justice Institute when Brad Dacus speaks on November 18th.

Please see page 6 —Bring a donation for Friends Outside



Brad Dacus
President
Pacific Justice Institute

LOCATION
La Rinconada Country Club

Check In —9:00 AM —
Continental Breakfast
9:30 AM —Meeting called to
order
11:00 AM —Meeting
Adjourned
14595 Clearview Drive -
Los Gatos, CA 95032



Delores Carr
Santa Clara County DA

SVARW Christmas Luncheon Installation of Officers for 2010

SVARW is honored that Santa Clara County District Attorney, Delores Carr will administer the oath of office for the installation of SVARW Officers for 2010.

Please see page 7 for details and reservations.



Officers for 2009

President
Carol Joyal

First Vice President
Cathy Davis

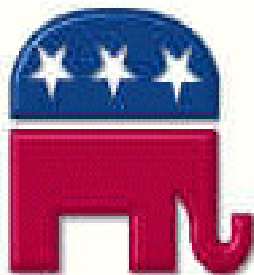
Second Vice President
Linda Chavez

Recording Secretary
Betty Kunz

Corresponding Secretary
Gail DeSmet

Treasurer
Helen Gaetano

Next Board Meeting
Wednesday, Dec 2
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/>

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 or (408) 997-2482

Dining & Dancing with Pete!

Save the Date: Saturday, January 30, 2010

SVARW Sponsored "Fun Raiser" to
Re-Elect Pete Constant to the San Jose City Council

At this time, SVARW is soliciting members and non-members who are interested in being a HOST or CO-HOST for this event. HOSTS and CO-HOSTS will be:

- Listed on the invitation that will be issued at the end of December.
- Have reserved seating at the event.
- Be introduced at the event.

HOST Tickets: \$250 per person or \$500 per couple

CO-HOST Tickets: \$125 per person or \$250 per couple

If you would like to be a HOST or CO-HOST, complete the following form or email your information to: jansoule@svarw.com. You will need to make your donation between December 10th and December 18th. You can send your completed form to Jan Soule, 3415 Todd Way, San Jose, CA 95124

<input type="checkbox"/>	Host—\$250	<input type="checkbox"/>	Host Couple—\$500
<input type="checkbox"/>	Co-Host—\$125	<input type="checkbox"/>	Co-Host Couple—\$250

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



Pete Constant
San Jose City Council
District 1

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
(650) 688-6384

Elaine Alquist
(408) 286-8318

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FOR
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916-445-2841

FAX is most
effective:
916-445-4633

www.govmail.ca.gov

Legislation

Legislation, Barbara Wales Chairman

Health Care

Please keep the pressure on. If Congress thinks we're not looking, we will get what they want –not what we want. If each of us made just one call/email/Fax each week, it would be great! Here are the contacts:

Barbara Boxer 415-403-0100 FAX 202-224-0454 Zoe Lofgren 408-271-8700

Dianne Feinstein 415-393-0707 FAX 415 393-0710

Mike Honda 408-558-8085 FAX 408-558-8086

The following article is from the Senate Conservatives Fund. (Contributed by Claudette Averill). Please note that the status of this issue changes quickly so be sure to check the status before acting:

"Sen. Olympia Snowe (R-ME) was the one Republican we feared would betray our conservative principles and vote for ObamaCare, and that's exactly what she did when she voted for the health care plan in committee this week. Sen. Snowe says she might vote against the bill on the Senate floor but don't hold your breath.

The Senate will likely begin debate on the ObamaCare bill in two to three weeks. We need to work on a handful of Democrats who can be persuaded to vote against the bill. Here is our target list:

- [Blanche Lincoln](#) (D-Arkansas) ~ (202) 224-4843
- [Mark Pryor](#) (D-Arkansas) ~ (202) 224-2353
- [Mary Landrieu](#) (D-Louisiana) ~ (202) 224-5824
- [Michael Bennet](#) (D-Colorado) ~ (202) 224-5852
- [Mark Begich](#) (D-Alaska) ~ (202) 224-3004
- [Byron Dorgan](#) (D-North Dakota) ~ (202) 224-2551
- [Kent Conrad](#) (D-North Dakota) ~ (202) 224-2043
- [Ben Nelson](#) (D-Nebraska) ~ (202) 224-6551

We need to put maximum pressure on these Senators to vote against "cloture" on the health care bill. Cloture requires 60 votes to advance a bill and it's the only real test in this debate. Any Senator who votes for cloture is voting for ObamaCare, period."



California Legislature

This year's session ended with the Governor signing and vetoing bills by October 11.

Major among the bills signed were two bills many SVARW members worked hard to oppose. We now have 5 sexual indoctrination laws which apply to our children in school. These laws:

1. Aake valuable class time away from academics,
2. Address sex as early as 5 years old,
3. Require compliance with ONLY one perspective: homosexuality/transsexuality/cross-dressing/bisexuality are right and any other perspective is wrong.

It is important to let parents of school age children know these are in place so that they can take appropriate action for the protection of their children. The following is an article describing the bills by Randy Thomasson:

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Legislation Continued....

FIVE SCHOOL SEXUAL INDOCTRINATION LAWS

SB 572, "Harvey Milk Day," builds on four existing homosexual-bisexual-transsexual "education" laws. These anti-family laws passed by the Democrat-controlled California Legislature are incrementally turning California "public" schools into sexual indoctrination centers.

- AB 537, signed by Gov. Gray Davis in 1999, permits teachers and students to openly proclaim and display their homosexuality, bisexuality or transsexuality, even permitting cross-dressing teachers, school employees and student on campus, in classrooms, and in rest rooms.
- SB 71, signed by Gov. Davis in 2003 and implemented in 2008 through the new "sexual health" standards approved by appointees of Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and State Superintendent of Public Instruction Jack O'Connell, teaches children as young as 5th grade that homosexuality, bisexuality and transsexuality is "normal," and that any consensual sexual behavior is "safe" as long as you "protect" yourself with a condom.
- SB 777, signed by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger in 2007, prohibits all public school instruction and every school activity from "promoting a discriminatory bias" against (effectively requiring positive depictions of) homosexuality, bisexuality, and transsexuality to schoolchildren as young as five years old. SB 777 means children will be taught their "gender" is a matter of choice. When fully implemented, SB 777 will affect everything on campus -- classroom instruction, instructional materials, textbooks, guest speakers, handouts, videos, sex education, drama, music, school assemblies, sports teams, homecoming games, school proms, school clubs, etc. There is no "opt out" for parents.
- AB 394, signed by Gov. Schwarzenegger in 2007, effectively promotes homosexual, bisexual, and transsexual indoctrination of students, parents, and teachers via "anti-harassment" and "anti-discrimination" materials, to be publicized in classrooms and assemblies, posted on walls, incorporated into curricula on school websites, and distributed in handouts to take home. What's more, beyond these school sexual indoctrination laws, there is no California statute prohibiting public school teachers from promoting any legal sexual lifestyle or sexual practice; schools can hold pro-"lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender (LGBT)" "diversity days" or a "diversity week"; schools can permit the pro-"LGBT" "Day of Silence" in April; and school districts must permit "Gay-Straight Alliance" clubs on high school and junior high campuses. [There are more than 700 GSA clubs on California](#)

Some of the schools locally which have GSA Clubs are (partial list): Los Gatos: Los Gatos HS; Saratoga: Prospect HS, Saratoga HS; San Jose: Abraham Lincoln HS, Andrew Hill HS, Bellermino College Prep., Branham HS, Del Mar HS, Downtown College Prep., Evergreen Valley HS, Foothill HS, Independence HS, Gunderson HS, Harker School, James Lick HS, Leigh HS, Leland HS, Lynbrook HS, Mt. Pleasant HS, Oak Grove HS, Piedmont Hills HS, San Jose High Academy, Silver Creek HS, William C. Overfelt HS, Willow Glen HS, Yerba Buena HS; Santa Clara: Adrian C. Wilcox HS, Santa Clara HS; Morgan Hill: Ann Sobrato HS, Live Oak HS; Palo Alto: Castilleja School, Gunn HS, Palo Alto HS; Cupertino: Cupertino HS, Homestead HS, Monte Vista HS.; Sunnyvale: Fremont HS; Gilroy: Gilroy HS.; Los Altos: Los Altos HS.; Milpitas: Milpitas HS; Mountain View: Mountain View HS,. Of major concern is that among the schools listed at GSAnetwork.org are Middle Schools and prestigious private and religious schools including Castilleja School, Bellermino and Harker.

Handgun Safety and Registration Act

Correction: Please disregard the material passed out at the October Meeting.



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.



Save the Date !

Saturday, May 22, 2010



STARR PARKER

Conservative columnist, Starr Parker, will headline a special SVARW Event on May, 22, 2010.

Save the Date!! More Details coming!

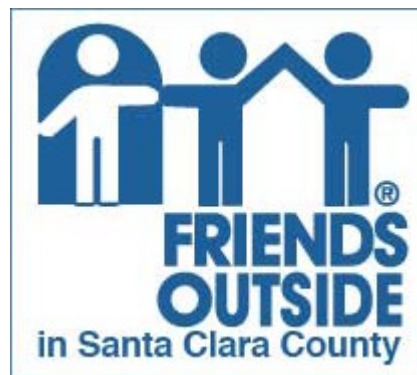


It's Thanksgiving!

Bring a donation for Friends Outside to the November Meeting

Friends Outside is a local charitable organization that helps the children of county inmates. They need food items for their Christmas family program. We will collect your donations at our November meeting. See the list of suggestions below. If you are interested in sponsoring a family, please contact Carol Joyal at 408-267-2423 or ajoyal@comcast.net.

\$25 Grocery certificate
Beans
Cake mix
Canned vegetables
Canned/dried fruit
Cookies/cookie dough
Evaporated milk
Flour
Frosting
Hot or cold cereal
Instant mashed potatoes
Jelly
Liquid dish detergent
Macaroni and cheese
Pasta/pasta sauce
Peanut butter
Rice
Shampoo/shower gel
Soup
Sugar
Toilet tissue
Tomato sauce
Toothpaste
Tuna
New stuffed toys



It's Time to Renew Your SVARW Membership for 2010

Our membership year runs from January 1st to December 31st. Membership renewals must be received by December 31, 2008, to ensure uninterrupted delivery of your SVARW Newsletter.

Dues for 2009 remain the same:

\$20 for members, \$5 for supporting spouse.

Kyra Hubis, our membership chairman, will be handing out individual renewal forms at our next meeting that include the current information we have on file for you. Please make corrections to that information and return to Kyra with your check made out to SVARW.

Alternatively, you can go online to www.svarw.com and pay your dues on line.

Christmas Luncheon

Wednesday, December 9th
10:30 AM—Noon

Reserve your place today for SVARW's annual Christmas Luncheon! Our program includes:

- Installation of SVARW Officers for 2010 by the Honorable Delores Carr
- Featured Charity: Teen Challenge
- Music provided by Teen Challenge
- Delicious Luncheon includes salad, your choice of Chicken Crepes, Salmon or Vegetarian, Bread and Dessert

Cost: \$38

Location: La Rinconada Country Club, 14595 Clearview Drive, Los Gatos

Questions? Contact Maria Fischer at (408) 395-0335

Christmas Party Reservation

Make check payable to SVARW—\$38 per person

Mail to: Cathy Davis, 1238 Hillcrest Dr, San Jose, CA 95120

Or purchase tickets online at www.svarw.com

Circle Lunch Choice

Member Name:

Salmon Chicken
Crepes

Vegetarian

Guest/Supporting Member Name:

Salmon Chicken
Crepes

Vegetarian

About Teen Challenge

Teen Challenge, with a documented success rate of 86%, is regarded as one of the most successful drug rehabilitation programs in the world.

Many of the people who come to Teen Challenge with their drug problems and associated troubled lifestyles, often come from a background of being unwanted, left out, and forgotten, they all come with broken lives and desperate hearts.

Pete Constant along with many civic leaders in Santa Clara County are strong supporters of Teen Challenge.

Like the Salvation Army, it is a faith-based organization that gets results...without tax payer dollars! Learn more about Teen Challenge at: www.teenchallenge.net

Luncheon Includes

Salad

Butter Lettuce and Persimmon Salad toasted pumpkin seed, goat cheese croustons with Champagne vinaigrette

Entrée: choice of:

Smoked Chicken, Walnuts, Spinach and Fontina Cheese Crepes,

Pan Roasted Salmon

Vegetarian —Chef's Choice

Bread:

Assorted Rolls and Whipped Butter

Dessert:

Sticky Toffee Pudding Cake

SVARW members are encouraged to consider making a donation to Teen Challenge at our December meeting.



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Join SVARW's "Political Party"

December 12th—5:00 PM

It's that time again to get together with fellow Republicans and enjoy a little Christmas cheer with cocktails and conversation! You won't want to miss this party!

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!!!

Office holders and candidates for office are invited as our guest!

Cost: \$10

Home of Maria and Larry Fischer — 105 Kathy Court — Los Gatos, CA 95030

RVSP to: Cathy at 408-323-8685 or champdavis5@att.net or

Go to: www.svarw.com and purchase your tickets online using your credit card.