



## Upcoming Events at SVARW

### October 17, 2012—SVARW Monthly Meeting

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- **Oct 14**—Meet US Senate Republican Nominee Elizabeth Emken
- **Oct 17**—Candidate Forum & Proposition Review with Dr. Gloria Hom
- **Nov 14**—Monthly Meeting with SJ Mayor Chuck Reed
- **Dec 8**—Patriot Party
- **Dec 12**—Christmas Luncheon with Marc Klaas

#### SVARW MONTHLY MEETINGS

##### La Rinconada Country Club

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

### SVARW to Host Candidate Forum and a Review of the November Propositions featuring Dr. Gloria Hom



**D**on't miss this information-packed meeting – candidates for local school boards as well as state and national offices will join us for a lively question and answer session.

*Plan to arrive at 9:00 am to mingle with the candidates prior to the meeting and get your questions answered.*

In addition to the Candidate Forum, as part of the meeting we are glad to welcome back renowned educator Dr. Gloria Hom, who will give us an informative and balanced run-down of the November propositions. Dr. Hom was Chairwoman for 35 years of the Mission College Economics Department and also served on the California Board of Education, was a member of the Board of Trustees of the California State University, a member of the California Board of Education and appointed by Governor Schwarzenegger to the Board of Directors of the State Teachers' Retirement System where she retired this year.

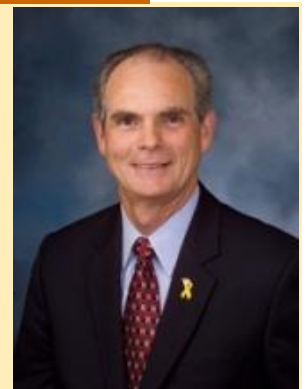
**Time:** Monthly meetings start at 9:30 with check-in at 9:00 a.m.

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

**Cost:** \$15.00 includes continental breakfast

### November 14, 2012—Monthly Meeting San Jose Mayor Chuck Reed

**W**e are very pleased to have Mayor Reed speak to our group on current issues facing the City of San Jose. He will also give us an update on the current status of his landmark pension reform victory in June. Even if you are not a San Jose resident, the issues affecting San Jose affect the surrounding communities in Silicon Valley. Don't miss it!



## December 12, 2012 – Monthly Meeting and Annual Christmas Luncheon

### Don't Miss the December 12<sup>th</sup> SVARW Christmas Luncheon Featuring Marc Klaas of KlaasKids Foundation

Join us Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> for one of our best events of the year, the SVARW Christmas Luncheon. This year it will be held at La Rinconada Country Club at 14595 Clearview Dr. in Los Gatos with check-in starting at 10:00 am. In addition to a delicious lunch, holiday music and the opportunity to meet and mingle with like-minded local Republicans, the agenda will include:

- Installation of Officers for 2013
- Featured Charity: KlaasKids Foundation
- Speaker: Marc Klaas of KlaasKids Foundation
- Holiday Entertainment
- Delicious Three-Course Lunch



**Marc Klaas**

[www.klaaskids.org](http://www.klaaskids.org)

SVARW is honored to have Marc Klaas of the Klaas Foundation as its featured speaker and designated charity this year. Mr. Klaas has been a very passionate and involved presence in our own local missing child tragedy, the kidnap and presumed murder of Morgan Hill's Sierra LaMar. His high profile advocacy has attracted scores of media attention and inspired an ongoing outpouring of volunteers and donations in the cause to find Sierra. Mr. Klaas' journey as a nationally prominent advocate began in 1993 with his own family's tragic experience of the kidnap and murder of his 12-year old daughter Polly.

A tireless and effective advocate for preventing crimes against children, Mr. Klaas has appeared on many television programs and syndicated talk shows, and is a regular resource for CNN, FOX and MSNBC. He has written for *Newsweek Magazine* and newspapers such as the *SF Chronicle*, *SJ Mercury News* and the *Cleveland Plain Dealer*. Mr. Klaas has shared a podium with leaders including President Bill Clinton, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and Mayor Rudy Giuliani.

SVARW members are encouraged to consider making a contribution to [KlaasKids Foundation](http://KlaasKids.org) at our December meeting.

**Time:** Program begins at 10:30 with check-in at 10:00 a.m.

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

**Cost:** \$35— Delicious Three-Course Lunch

### Christmas Luncheon Meeting Reservations

Make check payable to SVARW - \$35.00 per person

*Include: Member Name & Guest Supporting Member Name*

Mail to: Lisa Marshik,  
319 Blossom Valley Drive,  
Los Gatos, CA 95032

Or, visit [www.svarw.com](http://www.svarw.com) to purchase tickets online

For more information, contact Lisa Marshik at 408 358-0828 or

[lmashik@comcast.net](mailto:lmashik@comcast.net)

Christmas Luncheon Reservation deadline is December 5.

**Please bring your checkbook to make a tax-deductible contribution  
to this wonderful charity.**

### *Menu*

Artisan Rolls & Butter

Roasted Butternut Squash Bisque

Cinnamon Crème Fraîche & Chestnut Beggar's Purse

Red Wine Braised Beef Short Ribs

Winter Mushroom Risotto

Sugar Snap Peas, Baby Carrots & Fresh Chanterelles  
Mushrooms

Yule Log

Fresh Raspberry Coulis & Vanilla Anglaise

### *Pre-Ordered Vegetarian Choice*

Winter Mushroom Risotto

Sugar Snap Peas, Baby Carrots & Fresh Chanterelles  
Mushrooms

## 2013 SVARW Officer Nominations

The following is the list of nominees for the SVARW election of officers for 2013. The election will take place at the October 17th monthly meeting. Nominations will also be taken from the floor.

President . . . . . Janet Nedde  
 First Vice President . . . . . Allison Spiller  
 Second Vice President . . . . . Debra Janssen-Martinez  
 Recording Secretary . . . . . Sherrill Martinez  
 Corresponding Secretary . . . . . Kirsten Williams  
 Treasurer . . . . . Lisa Seago

The following proposed *Mission Statement* and Bylaws amendment will be presented to the membership for a vote at the regularly scheduled meeting of SVARW on October 17, 2012. Per the Bylaws an amendment may be presented at any General Meeting of the Association and passed by a 2/3 vote provided that the proposed amendments have been presented in writing prior to voting. This report serves as notice to the members.

### Our Mission Statement:

SVARW is an independent **conservative** organization committed to supporting and defending the principles of our Founding Fathers as written in the Constitution of the United States of America, whose mission it is to elect qualified ~~candidates to office~~ **conservatives to non-partisan offices in Santa Clara County and** to educate and motivate our members to support Conservative Republican principles.

### 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:

#### **Currently reads:**

#### **Amend to read:**

Bylaws	Bylaws
<del>Campaign Events</del>	<b>Candidate Liaison</b>
<del>Candidate Development</del>	<b>Community &amp; Campaign Events</b>
<del>Grassroots Organization</del>	Legislation
Legislation	Membership
Membership	Membership Communications
Member Communications	<b>New Member Events</b>
<del>Member Outreach</del>	Newsletter
Newsletter	Nominating
Nominating	Online Communications
Online Communications	<b>Political Appts &amp; Voter Registration</b>
Social Media/Public Relations	Social Media/Public Relations
<del>Ways &amp; Means</del>	

## Memo from Our President Optimism vs. Realism

We are at a crossroads as a nation, and will make a momentous choice this November. I personally have found myself riding a roller coaster of emotions during this campaign season:

- **Disbelief:** That people would be so ignorant as to vote for the present occupant of the White House with it being so obvious that he has no leadership skills whatsoever.
- **Disappointment:** That our candidate is not more forceful in refuting the outright lies that are presented by this administration and their media lackeys.
- **Anger:** That there was not more blowback from the act of war perpetrated upon the U.S.A. by the assassination of our Libyan ambassador and three of his aides, and the fact that our president referred to this incident as a “bump in the road”.
- **Elation:** That Paul Ryan was chosen as VP.
- **Frustration:** That this government has not helped “stimulate” the economy in ways that we all know would work, rather than simply throwing money at the problem.
- **Consternation:** Regarding our treatment of Israel, and “leading from behind” on issues in the Middle East.
- **Exhaustion:** There are so many unbelievable things going on all at once, thrown at us by this administration that I am intellectually exhausted and wish to escape it all.



I have come to the conclusion that I must remain engaged in this process and actively participate, or I will be really depressed when it is all over and I dislike the result. I believe that the American people are basically good, and remain optimistic that they will make a choice that will allow us to retain our freedoms in November. SVARW is a conservative group—that is why I joined. We must all pledge to do what we can as individuals to support the election of the two honorable men who we have nominated. If you don't know how you can help, call or email me, and I will help you find an individual way to participate.

*Janet Nedde*, President SVARW

### 2013 **SVARW** Membership Dues are Due!

Dues are \$25 for members and an additional \$5 to add a supporting member/spouse. As you know, our organization is only as good as the members who volunteer! Many opportunities require very little time and can be done at home on your own time. Consider: Legislation, Voter Registration or Community Outreach, and lots more—whatever interests you!

Two ways to pay: online at [www.SVARW.com](http://www.SVARW.com) or by check payable to **SVARW** and mail to: Lisa Marshik, 319 Blossom Valley Road, Los Gatos, CA 95032

Please include: Name of supporting member/spouse, address, home & cell phone number & email address. A newsletter will be sent to you in the mail, unless you indicate email only. *If you joined SVARW at the Stars and Stripes Gala, your 2013 dues have already been paid.*

~Deadline for Payment is December 31st, 2012~





**Phone Numbers  
Local Assemblymen**

Rich Gordon  
(650) 691-2121

Jim Beall  
(408) 282-8920

**Local State Senators**  
Sam Blakeslee  
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Maj. Ldr. Ellen Corbett  
(510) 794-3900

S. Joseph Simitian  
(650) 688-6384

Elaine Alquist  
(408) 286-8318

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916-445-2841

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effective:**  
916-558-3160

[www.govmail.ca.gov](http://www.govmail.ca.gov)

### California—U.S. SENATE

[www.Emken2012.com](http://www.Emken2012.com)

Elizabeth is an exceptional conservative candidate who clearly defends and supports the principles of our Founding Fathers. She stands for reduced government regulations, a strong national defense, and will help bring transparency and accountability to Washington. Elizabeth is a fighter and a problem solver. Meet her in person at our SVARW October 14<sup>th</sup> event in Almaden Valley.



Elizabeth Emken

### SAN JOSE UNIFIED TRUSTEE AREA 5

[www.votecathydavis.com](http://www.votecathydavis.com)

Cathy has spent numerous volunteer hours supporting public education while taking on various leadership roles within the community. Cathy is SVARW's Immediate Past President. She holds a degree in Public Policy, and will support socially and fiscally responsible solutions to issues. Cathy will be a tireless advocate for students, families, and taxpayers.



Cathy Davis

### EVERGREEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT TRUSTEE

[www.balajiforeesd.com](http://www.balajiforeesd.com)

Balaji has served on the Evergreen School Board since October 2011, and has spent countless hours volunteering at several school sites over the last seven years. He understands the issues of his district which include: gaps in student achievement, special needs children, and pressure on the budget. He will be an articulate voice representing the community.



Balaji Venkatraman

### CAMPBELL UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT TRUSTEE

[www.Electmichaelsnyder.com](http://www.Electmichaelsnyder.com)

Michael has worked as an educator for the last fifteen years. He has a passion for helping to improve the quality of each child's education, with emphasis on closing the achievement gap. Michael understands the issues facing his district and will respond with new benchmarks and technological innovations.



Michael Snyder

### MORGAN HILL CITY COUNCIL

The Former Mayor of Morgan Hill is running to retain her seat on the Morgan Hill City Council. Marilyn, Mike, Kim and Debra are SVARW members.

Left to Right is Marilyn Libers, Mike Wasserman, Kim Wasserman, and Debra Janssen-Martinez at Marilyn's Fundraiser at the "Morgan's Cove" on Sept.15.





## Officers for 2012

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Treasurer  
**Lisa Seago**

Next Board Meeting  
Wednesday, Oct 31st @  
9:30 AM

## Sunshine

Norine needs to know if a member is ill or has lost a loved one.

We care about our members and would like to follow up with a call and a card.

Please call Norine Bacon to let her know.

408-377-7111

## Guide to Nov 6th State Ballot Propositions

For more information, please visit the following websites:

<http://voterguide.sos.ca.gov/> <—The Official Voter Information Guide

[http://www.ballotpedia.org/wiki/index.php/California\\_2012\\_ballot\\_propositions](http://www.ballotpedia.org/wiki/index.php/California_2012_ballot_propositions)

Proposition	Type	Subject	Description	Recommendation
30	CICA	TAXES	Governor Brown's Tax Increase	OPPOSE
31	CICA/SS	STATE BUDGET	Two Year Budget Cycle	OPPOSE
32	CISS	LABOR	Ban on corporate and union contributions to state and local candi-	SUPPORT
33	CISS	CAR INSURANCE	Insurance rates can be based on one's history of coverage (persistency discounts)	SUPPORT
34	CISS	DEATH PENALTY	End the Death Penalty	OPPOSE
35	CISS	LAW ENFORCEMENT	Prohibition on Human Trafficking and Sex Slavery	SUPPORT
36	CISS	LAW ENFORCEMENT	Repeal Three Strikes Law	OPPOSE
37	CISS	REGULATIONS	Mandatory Labeling of Genetically Engineered Food	OPPOSE
38	CISS	TAXES	Molly Munger's State Income Tax Increase	OPPOSE
39	CISS	TAXES	Income Tax Increase for Multistate Businesses	OPPOSE
40	VR	REDISTRICTING	Referendum on State Senate Redistricting Plan	SUPPORT

CICA—Initiated constitutional amendment

CICA/SS—Combined initiated constitutional amendment and state statute

CISS—Initiated state statute

VR—Veto referendum



## Silicon Valley Association of Republican Women

*cordially invites you to a meet & benefit*

### ELIZABETH EMKEN

Republican Nominee, United States Senate (CA)



**Sunday, October 14, 2012**

**4PM – 7PM**

at

**The Home of Valerie and Jerry Hill  
1237 Wooded Hills Drive - San Jose, CA**

**\$45 per person**

**\$80 per couple**

Come and enjoy some food & wine as we get to know Elizabeth better.

Music will be provided by the wonderful jazz band, the Sons of Jubal.

Please RSVP to **Claudette Averill** at **(408) 268-5534** or **claudieave@sbcglobal.net**. Please fax credit card contributions to (818) 996-8283. Please make checks payable to: **"Elizabeth Emken for US Senate"** and mail to: **PO Box 81, Danville, CA 94526**.

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The Federal Election Commission (FEC) allows an individual to contribute up to \$2,500 per election; a qualified political action committee may contribute up to \$5,000 per election. The primary and general elections are considered separate elections for the purposes of these limits. Federal Law requires us to report the name, mailing address, occupation, and name of employer for each individual whose contributions aggregate in excess of \$200 in an election cycle. Contributions from foreign nationals are prohibited. No corporate checks or corporate credit cards may be accepted. Partnership and LLC contributions may be accepted under certain guidelines.

Contributions are not considered charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes.

Paid for by Elizabeth Emken for US Senate, Inc.

# Silicon Valley Association of Republican Women

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## Save These Dates for 2013 SVARW Monthly Meetings

The 2013 SVARW monthly meetings are just around the corner – plan to join us to hear these first two speakers of the new year.

**January 20** will be Dr. Padma Manian, History Professor at San Jose City College. Dr. Manian will be discussing **“The Gender Gap: How it Came About”**. She will review the history of women's issues and provide context both from a timeline as well as a geographical perspective.

**February 16** will be Mr. Tom Lorenzen, a former official in the Reagan, George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush administrations and senior consultant to the Reagan Presidential Library and Foundation. Mr. Lorenzen's talk is entitled “Understanding Reagan” which will be a very interesting behind-the-scenes look at the man, his presidency and the people close to Reagan who helped shape his world view.

**Time:** Monthly meetings start at 9:30 with check-in at 9:00 a.m.

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

**Cost:** \$15.00 includes continental breakfast

Both talks will be extremely interesting so we hope to see you there!