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Upcoming Events at SVARW

September 19, 2012—SVARW Monthly Meeting

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- **Sept 15**—Patriot Party to support Cathy Davis run for San Jose School Board
- **Sept 19**—Monthly Meeting Brad Dacus Pacific Justice Institute
- **Oct 14**—Meet US Senate Republican Nominee Elizabeth Emken
- **Oct 17**—Candidate Forum & Proposition Review with Dr. Gloria Hom

SVARW MONTHLY MEETINGS

La Rinconada
Country Club

9:00 AM to 11:00 AM
14595 Clearview Drive



Los Gatos, CA 95032

"Protecting Religious Freedom and Parental Rights in the Midst of the Erosions of These Liberties"



We are pleased to have **Brad Dacus** as our September speaker. Mr. Dacus, the founder and President of **Pacific Justice Institute**, will be speaking about the ongoing erosions of our religious freedom and parental rights – and how these constitutionally guaranteed rights must be defended.

Since its founding ten years ago, Pacific Justice Institute has skyrocketed to national prominence for its unprecedented success in defending faith and family. 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.

Mr. 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."

He continues to speak regularly at churches, conferences, graduations and conventions throughout the United States.

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

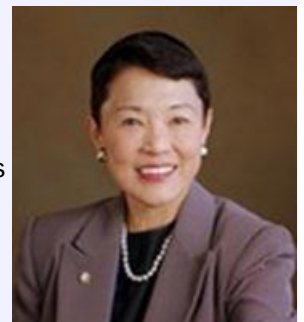
Location: La Rinconada Country Club
14595 Clearview Drive, Los Gatos

Cost: \$15.00 includes continental breakfast

Candidate Forum & November Propositions

On **October 17th**, don'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. The candidates will be present at La Rinconada starting at 9:00 am to allow time to personally meet the candidates, have coffee, mingle and ask questions before the meeting gets underway at 9:30 am. Campaign literature will also be available.

We are very pleased to welcome back renowned educator Dr. Gloria Hom, who will give us her usual 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.





Elect Cathy Davis to School Board

Patriot Party to Support Cathy Davis

Saturday Sept.15th

Join SVARW for a Patriot Party!

6:00—9:00 PM — 319 Blossom Valley Dr., Los Gatos,



Cathy Davis (Center) with Mike Wasserman and Leslie Reynolds

On Saturday, Sept 15th, join SVARW for a special Patriot Party to support our own **Cathy Davis** who is running for San Jose Unified School District, Trustee Area 5. The cost is only \$25 per person and includes wine and appetizers.

Location: Home of Lisa and Paul Marshik, 319 Blossom Valley Dr., Los Gatos, 95032

Time: 6:00 PM

Tickets: \$25 per person

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

Make out your check to **Cathy Davis SJUSD School Board 2012**

Mail to: Lisa Marshik, 319 Blossom Valley Dr., Los Gatos, 95032.

Individual Ticket \$25

Couple Ticket \$50

Help Cathy pay for yard signs!! Signs cost \$5 each. How many yard signs can you help Cathy purchase? Please add to your check if you wish!!!

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

Why Support Cathy Davis

Former SVARW President, Cathy Davis, has stepped up to run for the seat on the San Jose Unified School District Board of Trustees that is being vacated by Leslie Reynolds.

We need to ensure that a **conservative** fills this open seat!!!

Cathy has spent many volunteer hours supporting public education and holds a degree in Public Policy from the University of Michigan. Cathy has pledged to be an advocate for students, families and taxpayers.

Leslie Reynolds, Mike Wasserman, Pete Constant, the Santa Clara County Republican Partyand SVARW have already endorsed Cathy.

***Note there are NO Contribution Limits for school board races!** But....the campaign must report donor information including occupation and employer.

STARS and STRIPES

This year's Stars and Stripes Annual Gala on August 25th was a wonderful event for meeting and socializing with like-minded Republicans at the beautiful Saratoga estate of Susanna Cody and Ron Hills. From the glass of champagne upon arrival, to the delicious buffet dinner, raffle and dancing, it was a memorable evening.

We were so pleased to have so many current officeholders as well as local, state and national candidates present – including US Senate Candidate Elizabeth Emken. Thanks to all for making the evening such a success.

SVARW's August 25th Stars & Stripes was the perfect opportunity for Santa Clara County candidates to reach out to the politically-minded. Each candidate in attendance gave a two-minute talk on the meaning of their candidacy. Elizabeth Emken (U.S. Senate, www.Emken2012.com) opened the evening, highlighting her passion to help bring transparency and accountability to Washington.



Elizabeth Emken

Also speaking were George Yang (Assembly District #24, www.gcyang.com), ArLynn Diamond (Assembly District #25, www.diamondforassembly.com), Mark Meuser (State Senate District 7, www.markmeuser.com), Karen Martinez (Alum Rock Union School Board), Michael Snyder (Campbell Elementary School Board), and Cathy Davis (San Jose Unified Trustee Area 5, www.vote Cathy Davis.com).



George Yang



ArLynn Diamond



Mark Meuser



Cathy Davis

We acknowledge the substantial financial costs and personal sacrifices involved in running for office and appreciate each candidates' willingness to join us. Please visit their websites to learn more about each candidate.

2013 SVARW Officer Nomination

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

Memo from Our President

What a roller coaster month it has been! We were all looking forward to Mitt Romney's announcement of his V.P. pick, and I think that most of us were pleasantly surprised that he chose Paul Ryan. He had not been at the top of my list, but after the choice, I realized just how brilliant it was! There is no better spokesman for the economic situation in this country than Congressman Ryan. Not only is he an economist who can knowledgeably and clearly point out the problems which confront us, but he is a leader in Congress who has attempted to provide workable solutions. I am particularly impressed by his effort to retain the Medicare Program for those 55 and above that our seniors currently enjoy, while trying to find a way to provide a sustainable program for those younger than 55. The other point is that he is so wholesome, so honorable, so positive in his approach, such a role-model of a good husband, father and son, that it will be very difficult for the other side to find anything reckless in his past to parade in front of those undecided voters.



This ticket is an example of the best that America has to offer. Neither of these men are compelled to be in politics. They would not only be successful, but exemplary in whatever they attempted. They have chosen to take a risk and create the turmoil within their families that a campaign causes, to present a viable alternative to the failed economic policies under which our nation strains. Please do what you can to support these men. I look upon them as modern day promoters of the vision of the Founding Fathers. Given another four years of burdensome regulation, onerous taxes, high unemployment and rudderless leadership will cement our status as a second rate country. Mitt Romney proved that he is a serious leader by his choice of Paul Ryan as his V.P. This team will provide the direction that this great country needs at this point in history. Thank you to all of you who attended our wonderful Stars and Stripes Gala! We had a fabulous evening, thanks to the months of planning by Lisa Marshik, and the contributions of many Board Members and other SVARW members who worked really hard to make it all happen. Bravo!

Janet Nedde, President SVARW

SVARW Endorsement Policy

The SVARW Board is proud to endorse our own *Cathy Davis* to fill the seat on the San Jose Unified School Board that was held by Leslie Reynolds. If you are planning to run for a non-partisan office in November, please contact SVARW's Candidate Relations Committee chaired by *Gail DeSmet*. Below is SVARW's Candidate Endorsement Policy which can also be found at www.svarw.com.

In order for a candidate to be considered for endorsement he/she must meet the following criteria:

The candidate must adhere to the conservative principles that SVARW supports as stated in our motto, "SVARW is an independent organization committed to supporting and defending the principles of our Founding Fathers as written in the Constitution of the United States of America".

The candidate would benefit from SVARW's endorsement.

The candidate can provide an outline of their strategy to win the election

Benefits of Endorsement:

SVARW will allow the candidates to use the SVARW name in their campaign literature.

SVARW will advertise candidate events in the SVARW newsletter, e-Alerts and Conservative Calendar.

Endorsed candidates may attend SVARW meetings and events to solicit volunteers and supporters

An SVARW member can serve as an advocate for the candidate to lead fundraising and volunteer efforts.

SVARW is an independent organization that is able to endorse candidates in the primary and general elections. Our goal is to recommend qualified candidates which may include the endorsement of a non Republican. SVARW considers for endorsement candidates running for non-partisan seats and on occasion will consider endorsing an exceptional conservative running in a partisan race. A lack of endorsement does not mean that SVARW members will not vote for the candidate, but rather that the candidate does not meet the criteria for SVARW endorsement.

To be considered for endorsement, candidates running for non-partisan seats must complete the appropriate endorsement application and email the completed form to CandidateRelations@svarw.com no later than 45 days prior to the election. Visit our website to download endorsement applications. We encourage candidates to seek endorsement as soon as they qualify for the ballot. All applications will be reviewed and qualified candidates will be invited to be interviewed by members of the SVARW Board of Directors. The Board will vote on the endorsement recommendations at our monthly board meetings. Candidates will receive letters of endorsement after the vote by the Board. Endorsements will appear in the SVARW newsletter and website.

California Legislation

By Claudette Averill



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S. Joseph Simitian
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916-558-3160

www.govmail.ca.gov

As the session drew to a close on August 31, bills that successfully passed their second house moved on to Gov. Brown's desk. The governor will then have 30 days to sign or veto the hundreds of measures sent to him. *(Bills not signed will still become law if not vetoed.)*

As you review these two key bills below, please take a moment to contact Gov. Brown and ask for his veto.

SB 1172 Prevents Minors from Getting the Help They Seek!

If Gov. Brown signs SB 1172, California will be the first state in the nation to prohibit minors and their parents from receiving the help they desire for unwanted same-sex attraction. Despite the personal testimony of ex-gays and professional counselors, as well as six of their professional organizations, Sen. Ted Lieu (D-San Francisco) was successful in passing the Equality California-sponsored bill banning reparative or sexual orientation change therapy (SOCT) for young people under 18. There are thousands of success stories using such treatment - stories struggling young people need to hear to give them hope.

There is some good news that has resulted from the strong opposition to this bill: SB 1172's current form is not as bad as the original version that required anyone, regardless of age, seeking SOCT to sign informed consent forms filled with misinformation and allowed for legal action and fines directed at mental health professionals already governed by a strict code of ethics. The current version limits any disciplinary action against mental health providers for treating minors for SOCT to professional licensing boards. Additionally, the bill language does allow limited discussion of sexual orientation with a minor.

Action: *This bill would set a terrible precedent for the rest of the country, and sponsors plan to introduce similar bills throughout the states if it succeeds here. Please ask Gov. Brown to veto SB 1172.*

SB 1140 Paves Way for Same-Sex "Marriage"

This bill, another sponsored by Equality California, expressly removes any implication that marriage is a religious contract. Sen. Mark Leno's (D-San Francisco) bill provides another incremental step toward same-sex "marriage" in our state should the U.S. Supreme Court strike down Proposition 8.

Action: *Please ask Gov. Brown to veto SB 1140.*

Gov. Brown's contact information:

Phone: (916) 445-2841

Fax: (916) 558-3160

Governor Jerry Brown
c/o State Capitol, Suite 1173
Sacramento, CA 95814



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



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Next Board Meeting
Wednesday, Sept 26th
@ 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

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**.

Please charge \$_____ to my: (circle one)



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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.

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