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**Mark your calendar.**

**Nov. 6:** Election day

**Nov. 14:** SVARW regular monthly meeting, 9:30 to 11 a.m., Three Flames Restaurant, 1547 Meridian Ave., San Jose. Check-in from 9 to 9:30 a.m. Cost: \$15

**Dec. 12:** Christmas luncheon, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Maggiano's, Santana Row. Cost: \$39 through Nov. 21; \$45 after Nov. 21. Order tickets at SVARW.com

**Jan. 23:** First time guests free to this meeting, 9:30 to 11 a.m., Three Flames Restaurant, 1547 Meridian Ave., San Jose. Check-in from 9 to 9:30 a.m. Cost: \$15

**Welcome to new SVARW members:**

Jessica Davidson  
Tina Hobden  
Jennifer Kreitzer

**Time to renew**

Membership in SVARW expires Dec. 31 of each year. You can renew membership online or by returning the application on page 4. Questions? Email [membership@svarw.com](mailto:membership@svarw.com)

## *Upcoming events at SVARW*

# Will midterms bring big changes?

### Speaker to analyze Nov. 6 election's effects on the nation and California.

In November, SVARW is delighted to welcome Craig Huey, a conservative political activist who runs several websites that provide guidelines for voting. Author and publisher of the Huey Report and Reality Alert newsletters, Huey is a frequent guest on TV including Fox News.



**Craig Huey**

He is president of [CraigHuey.com](http://CraigHuey.com), [JudgeVoterGuide.com](http://JudgeVoterGuide.com) and [ElectionForum.org](http://ElectionForum.org) (his popular website that shows more than half a million conservatives how to vote their values) as well as other conservative websites. At [JudgeVoterGuide.com](http://JudgeVoterGuide.com), Huey distinguishes whether judges are

#### Event details

**Date:** Wednesday, Nov. 14

**Time:** Check in begins at 9 a.m.; program begins at 9:30 a.m.

**Where:** Three Flames Restaurant, 1547 Meridian Ave. San Jose, CA 95125.

**Cost:** Tickets are \$15 each and include buffet breakfast. Event is free to Reagan, Patriot Gold and Sponsor members but please RSVP through the SVARW website.

strict constructionists or judicial activists.

He is the author of "The Deep State: 15 Surprising Dangers You Should Know." It is the definitive guide to what the deep state is and how to drain the swamp.

Tickets are \$15 and include a buffet breakfast. The event is free to Reagan, Patriot Gold and Sponsor members but please RSVP through SVARW website.

## Celebrate holidays at SVARW luncheon

Purchase your ticket today for SVARW's annual Christmas Luncheon.

Our program includes:

Installation of SVARW Officers for 2019 officiated by Santa Clara County Supervisor Mike Wasserman. Mike will also provide an update about what is happening in Santa Clara County.

Featured Charity: JW House

Complete luncheon served family style

Cost: Early Bird price: \$39. After Nov. 21: \$45. See enclosed flyer for details.

### 2019 SVARW Executive Board

At the Oct. 24 annual meeting, the membership nominated and elected the following officers to serve on the SVARW Executive Board during 2019:

President: Jan Soule

First Vice-President: Rosa Brown

Second Vice-President: Wendy Brukwinski

Recording Secretary: Sherrill Martinez

Corresponding Secretary: Susan Calderon

Treasurer: Lisa Seago

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### Executive Board

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Susan Calderon, Corresponding  
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Lisa Seago, Treasurer  
Diane Owen, Parliamentarian

The board meets at 9 a.m.  
typically on the first Wednesday  
of each month. All members are  
welcome to attend board meetings.  
Contact Jan Soule at [President@  
svarw.com](mailto:President@svarw.com) for details.



Come out to Avaya Stadium at  
9 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 4, to help  
Operation Care and Comfort assemble  
care packages for deployed service  
members. This all-volunteer, non-  
profit organization collects, packs  
and mails personal care and other  
items throughout the year to deployed  
service members. Based in the Bay  
Area, OCC has received awards  
from the National Red Cross and the  
Department of Defense for its work.

Ages 5 and up are welcome to  
volunteer on Sunday, but must have  
adult supervision. Teens can earn  
volunteer service credit for their time  
at the event. Avaya Stadium is at 1123  
Coleman Ave., San Jose, across from  
the airport. Volunteers are encouraged  
to wear Santa hats and garb on Sunday  
for 2018's last public packing event.

OCC also has benefits for local  
military families and veterans,  
including tickets to sporting and  
entertainment events. Learn more at  
[occ-usa.org](http://occ-usa.org) or email [julie@occ-usa.org](mailto:julie@occ-usa.org).

### President's message

## 2018 saw small wins in Sacramento

There's still hope for California and  
the USA!

SVARW's November meeting  
will feature Craig Huey giving us an  
interpretation of what the outcome  
of the Nov. 6 election means to  
California, the United States and the  
Deep State. Personally I am looking  
forward to our Nov. 14 meeting and  
what the election means for us all.

Although newsletter deadlines  
require that I produce this article  
two weeks before the election, I am  
optimistic that Donald Trump will  
have a Congress that will enable  
him to continue his agenda to Make  
America Great Again. So to go out  
on a limb, I am trusting that the  
Republicans will keep the House and  
gain seats in the Senate.

Unfortunately, I am not as optimistic  
about election results in California this  
year. Trust me, I hope to be proven  
wrong. I believe that in California we  
need to celebrate small gains and start  
now to groom conservatives to run for  
local elections in 2020.

### Small wins in California

During the 2017 California  
legislative session, conservatives were  
unable to stop any of the bills that  
Democrats pushed through. However,  
in the 2018 California legislative  
session, conservatives were able to  
stop six bills with statewide support  
of Republicans such as you and I. Last  
month I wrote about how we helped  
stop Evan Low's stay gay bill, AB  
2943 which he withdrew before a final  
vote.

In addition, State Sen. Mike Morrell  
(R-Rancho Cucamonga) reports that  
the following five bills did not become  
law:

- On the final day to sign or veto  
bills, the governor rejected SB 320  
(Leyva, D-Chino), which would have  
made the abortion pill available at  
all public colleges and universities in  
California.

- AB 186 (Eggman, D-Stockton)  
which would have allowed San  
Francisco to establish government-  
sanctioned clinics where drug users  
could legally inject themselves without  
getting help to fight their addiction.  
The governor vetoed this bill too.

- AB 569 (Gonzalez Fletcher,  
D-San Diego): Would have limited  
the ability of faith-based groups to  
run their organizations in keeping  
with their beliefs. It was vetoed by the  
governor.

- AB 2756 (Medina, D-Riverside):  
Would have required more data  
collection on homeschool families.  
After nearly three hours of public  
comment, the bill failed, not even  
earning a motion for a vote.

- AB 2926 (Eggman, D-Stockton):  
Would have created a committee  
to consider further regulation of  
homeschooling. It was never presented  
for a vote.

Even though those bills were  
stopped, we need to stay vigilant  
because the Dems will try again.  
Sen. Morrell praises the efforts of the  
grassroots (i.e., you) for helping to  
stop this legislation. We need to keep  
fighting.

— *Jan Soule, President, SVARW*

### Contact your officials

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**In case you missed it: October meeting**

# Communism strips nations of their heritage, culture

Conservatives are right to worry about the influence of socialism on the United States. Socialism is the “little brother of communism” and it is incompatible with the ideals and values of America.

SVARW’s October speaker, June Gilliam, spelled out the dangers of communism and its creeping influence in the U.S. Gilliam, who moved to the U.S. from China 20 years ago, now describes herself as “an American patriot.” But her transformation didn’t happen overnight.

As a young person in China, Gilliam was a member of the Communist Party and came to the West with many communist lessons intact. Once in the West, however, she started to learn how the Chinese government suppresses art, traditions and spirituality. Ten years ago she attended a performance of Shen Yun,

which depicts 5,000 years of Chinese culture.

It was the first time she’d seen that side of China.

“I was shocked by the beauty of the show, but more importantly, by the spirituality of the Chinese culture,” she said. “It was like rediscovering my own heritage. That day for the first time in my life, I truly felt it was an honor to be Chinese.”

Gilliam could not reconcile the beliefs of the Communist Party with Shen Yun’s portrayal of China’s vast and rich culture. Which one was the truth, she wondered.

“I removed layers and layers of lies; I felt betrayed,” she said. “The nature of communism is brutality and deceit.”

Today, the American left and China are both working to advance the socialist and communist agenda in America, she said. Western culture’s

influence is growing in China, which creates a threat to the communist system. Communism can survive only by erasing a people’s culture, art and spirituality, Gilliam explained.

“All religion and all morality are interconnected. After art and morality are destroyed, what is left?” Gilliam asked. “What is left is a people stripped of self-control and self-governance. That will be the end of our democracy and freedom.”

She urged conservatives to stand against socialism and communism.

“Let us reach out to people around us, mobilize them, talk to them, inform them, become their friends. Because only then will there be a snowball effect,” Gilliam said. “I want everyone to believe that we can change people one-by-one.”

— *Joyce Hall, newsletter editor*



## *Gifts That Give Back!*

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### Key voter information

Even if you missed the voting registration deadline, you can still cast a provisional ballot either at an early voting station or on election day, Nov. 6.

Conditional voter registration is a safety net for Californians who missed the Oct. 22 deadline to register to vote or to update their voter registration information. Voters can use the conditional voter registration process all the way through Election Day.

### Voter guides

SVARW’s Voter Guide to propositions and candidates was included in the October newsletter. It is also online at SVARW.com

## Silicon Valley Association of Republican Women 2019 Membership Application

www.SVARW.com



#### Choose Membership Levels

- \_\_\_\_\_ Young Guns **\$10** –For those 25 and under.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Regular or Associate **\$30** per year. Add **\$10** for spouse.
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- \_\_\_\_\_ Patriot Gold **\$250** (includes spouse)\*#
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\*\$15 admittance charge to regular SVARW meetings is waived  
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### SVARW Sunshine

Norine Bacon is SVARW’s official ray of sunshine. When a member is ill or has lost a loved one, Norine reaches out to them with a card and a personal call. Please don’t hesitate to call her if you know someone in need. Her number is 408-377-7111.

#### See speakers online

A volunteer has begun to format videos of our meetings for the website. Visit [SVARW.com](http://SVARW.com) to see some of our past speakers.

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Signature of Applicant