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Mark your calendar

- **Jan. 24:** 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 am. Cost: \$15. First-time guests are free at this meeting.
- **Feb. 28:** 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 am. Cost: \$15.

Membership

It is time to renew memberships for 2018. Current dues can be paid online at SVARW.com or at any monthly meeting.

See speakers online

A volunteer has begun to format videos of our meetings for the website. Visit SVARW.com to see some of our past speakers.

Upcoming Events at SVARW

Meet gubernatorial candidate

January: Travis Allen

Republican candidate for governor Travis Allen will be our guest speaker at the Jan. 24 meeting. Allen has represented California's 72nd Assembly District (Huntington Beach) since his election in 2012. This meeting will be the perfect opportunity to meet the candidate and find out about his conservative credentials.



Travis Allen

Allen made headlines in early January when he told Fox News anchor Tucker Carlson that Attorney General Jeff Sessions should sue California over its self-designation as a "sanctuary state."

Allen is one of several Republicans vying for one of the two top spots in the June primary. Those two will go on to the general election in November. Allen's top issues include lowering taxes in California, getting tough on crime, improving education and repealing the new statewide gas tax. In fact, Allen is working to place an initiative to repeal the tax on the statewide ballot.

Remember, first-time guests are admitted free to the January meeting.

February: Orlean Koehle

Our scheduled October speaker, author Orlean Koehle, had to cancel because of the Santa Rosa fires. She will be our guest at the Feb. 28 meeting, where she will discuss voter fraud.

Now more than ever we as voters must be informed about our voting process. The many pitfalls and areas for fraud are daunting. We as conservatives need to be

Bring a first-time guest for free

Each year, SVARW allows first-time guests to attend the January monthly meeting at no cost. The deal is open to those who have never attended an SVARW meeting. With Travis Allen as our speaker, January's meeting will be an exceptional occasion to introduce your friends, family and neighbors to our active group of conservatives while learning about the gubernatorial candidate.

educated and know how the system works and how it needs to be revamped. Orlean is well-versed on voter fraud and the current state of our voting process. She also comes to us with a long history of advancing the conservative platform in many areas of service.

During the past decade, Orlean has brought cutting edge information to SVARW meetings before the mainstream conservative news covered issues like Agenda 21 and Common Core. We look forward to the inside scoop on what is happening nationally to finally expose massive voter fraud.

Orlean has served as a leader in several state and national organizations: Boy Scouts of America, President of Concerned Citizens of Sonoma County, Parents Involved in Education and Sonoma County Eagle Forum. Since 2002, she has been serving as the State President for Eagle Forum of California.

March: Steve Frank

Readers of Steve Frank's daily column in California Political Review (www.capoliticalreview.com) know that he is

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The board meets at 9 a.m.
typically on the first Wednesday
of each month. All members
are welcome to attend board
meetings.

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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.

President's message: My personal opinion Who are the real 'dreamers'?

By Jan Soule

DACA

President Trump has squarely
placed the issue of "dreamers" (aka
DACA) on Congress's plate for the
first part of 2018. Dreamers in this
instance are of course the poor little
illegal aliens who were brought to
the U.S. by their illegal alien parents
and have grown up here with FREE
education and likely a host of benefits
paid by taxpayers.

The Republican-controlled Congress
easily could have reversed DACA
in February of 2017, and presented
the bill to Trump, who would readily
have signed it. Why didn't it happen?
The "establishment" has some sort of
dream that if they are "nice" to these
illegal aliens then these new voters
will vote Republican. That is really a
dream.

CONSERVATIVES

When Donald Trump was elected
in November 2016, my mind
immediately went to Psalm 126.
Here the scriptures speak about how
the Jews returning from captivity in
Babylon felt like they were dreaming.
Now, after Trump has been in office a
year, I feel like we are still dreaming
when we consider:

- Trump has declared Jerusalem
as the lawful capital of Israel
and that our embassy will move
there. Twelve other nations have

announced similar plans. The city
council of Jerusalem is naming a
train station after Trump.

- The US economy has soared with
the stock market breaking 25,000
and expectations that with the
reduction in the corporate tax
rate to 21 percent there is more
prosperity ahead.
- A solid conservative, Neil
Gorsuch, took the seat of Antonin
Scalia on the Supreme Court.
- The global warming farce has
been exposed with the U.S.
pulling out of unfair treaties, the
XL pipeline going forward and
drilling in Alaska approved.
- ISIS has been decimated.

ESTABLISHMENT

My personal opinion is that the
real dreamers are the establishment
Republicans, both in Congress and
in California. In Congress they move
to block Trump at every step. In
California, they think that by being
"Democrat-light" they can attract
voters. In California the establishment
funded and pushed the open primary.
Their dream has become our
nightmare giving Republicans the
choice between two Democrats on the
ballot in many races.

*My dream is that the establishment
will wake up from their dreams and
take note that Trump won because
he had a message that was solidly
conservative.*

In Memory of Ann Collins

By Jan Soule

Longtime SVARW members were saddened to hear of the sudden passing
of member Ann Collins in November. Ann had been a member of SVARW
since its inception in 2007. Ann was active in the first years of SVARW
and continued to attend our Annual Stars and Stripes Gala with her husband
George.

I first met Ann in 2004 while she was serving as president of the
Association of Republican Woman. She played a major role in my
involvement with Republican women persuading me to join the group and
become the newsletter editor before leaving my first meeting!

Endorsements for June primary

The SVARW board has endorsed the following three candidates in the June primary election:

- State Assemblyman Travis Allen is running for governor. He is a small businessman from southern California and was elected in 2012. His campaign website is jointravisallen.com
- Retired Superior Court Judge Steven Bailey is running for California attorney general.
- Bailey recently retired from the bench in El Dorado County to run full-time for the statewide office. Learn more about him at baileyforag.com
- South Bay resident Peter Kuo is seeking the office of state insurance commissioner. Kuo has a professional background in the insurance industry and also runs a marketing firm, True 3D. His website is peterkuo.org

Happy New Year from RealOptions

By Valerie Hill
RealOptions Obria Medical Clinics

Note: Valerie Hill is CEO of RealOptions, which is a sponsor of SVARW.

One of the highlights from 2017 is that RealOptions has joined with national affiliate covering, The Obria Group, led by pro-life pioneer Kathleen Bravo. We are now called RealOptions Obria Medical Clinics. Kathleen has been a leader in the pro-life movement for the past 40 years, many of these years spent leading multiple medical clinics such as RealOptions in Southern California.

Through the trademarked name of The Obria Group, Kathleen plans to link together the strongest, most forward thinking, life-affirming clinics across the nation. In a survey done by Salesforce in 2015, 71 percent of millennial patients said they want to engage with their healthcare provider via a mobile app. The Obria Group has developed this technology and RealOptions will be piloting the OBRIA Direct Telemedicine app in our four Bay Area clinics beginning this month.

In 2017, we were privileged to have 2,200 parents choose life for 1,100 unborn children as a result of the life-affirming support and medical services we provided thanks to our

donors. In 2018, we have a goal to help 2,550 parents choose life for their unborn children. That will be 1,275 children born with purpose for the next generation.

Forty to 50 percent of all abortions are currently medication abortions where a woman is prescribed two pills: the first one is taken in front of her provider and this pill stops the baby from growing by stopping the natural progesterone needed. The second pill is to be taken 48 hours later and will induce labor to complete the woman's abortion in her own home. Abortion in women's bedrooms and the trauma it brings is like returning to the back alley for women.

In October 2016, RealOptions began providing Abortion Pill Reversal treatment (APR) to those women who change their minds between the first and second pill. We had 13 women come to us for this life-saving treatment in 2017. RealOptions clinics are four of only 40 clinics nationwide offering this service. To date, six babies have been born to five moms including one set of twins in June of this year. The following link provides a short video testimony of our very first APR patient and her healthy baby: https://youtu.be/eA_yW7XGV1E

Thank you for helping us advance a culture of life in California.



Help send needed items to deployed service members

The local, all-volunteer organization Operation Care and Comfort sends packages to deployed service members every few weeks. Volunteers are always needed on packing day, which is next scheduled for 10 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 25 at Avaya Stadium, 1123 Coleman Ave., across from the San Jose International Airport.

All are welcome and encouraged to come to help sort, pack and write letters to our service men and women. Students who need community service hours should bring their school form to receive credit for their time.

What's needed

Deployed service members don't always have access to the personal care items included in the OCC packages, so these shipments provide them a little touch of home. To help, bring any of these following types of items to any SVARW meeting: shampoo, conditioner, liquid soap, body lotion, toothpaste, toothbrushes, dental floss, mouthwash, deodorant, shavers/shaving lotion, cotton swabs, baby wipes, Kotex, tampons, and sunscreen. Food items needed include small condiment packets of hot sauce, ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, honey, salt, pepper and sugar.

See the full list and other donation locations at the website at www.occ-usa.org.

Donations can be brought to the next SVARW meeting on Jan. 24 or directly to the packing event. Operation Care and Comfort can always use monetary donations to help pay for postage.

In case you missed it: Christmas luncheon

Teen Challenge inspires youth, adults

SVARW members and their guests enjoyed a delicious meal and an inspiring message at the 2017 Christmas Luncheon, held Dec. 6 at Maggiano’s Little Italy. The annual charity recipient for the luncheon was Teen Challenge, a non-profit organization that helps both teens and adults recover from destructive, abusive and addictive backgrounds. During the luncheon, three participants in the program shared their touching stories of how the group mentored and assisted them to overcome past problems. An amazing 86 percent of those who have completed the program remain drug-free and are currently employed. As is typical for our generous group, members opened their wallets and checkbooks to support Teen Challenge with this important work.

Diners also had the opportunity to meet and talk with two candidates who will be on the June primary ballot for statewide office: Judge Steven Bailey, running for state attorney general, and Peter Kuo, running for state insurance commissioner.

Judge Bailey also presided over the swearing-in of SVARW’s executive board:

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At right, candidates Judge Steven Bailey and Peter Kuo



March speaker

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always the first to break the news on the sneaky Democrats and the antics of the establishment Republicans. We are delighted to have him as a speaker on March 28. Steve is well qualified to speak on political issues, having served four terms as the California Republican Party Parliamentarian, past president of the California Republican Assembly, past first assistant secretary of the California Republican Party and

as founder of the National Federation of Republican Assemblies.

Currently, Steve Frank is involved in:


- Advising campaigns and causes on “Netroots,” the use of the Internet for building the base, moving the message, broadening the reach of phone banks and voter contact, etc.
- Promotion of ground support efforts
- Development of volunteer organizations in support of

candidates and causes, including creating coalitions

- Working with People of Faith in support of candidates and causes
- Advising candidates on local political issues, leadership and potential support

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