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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

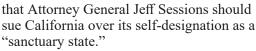
# Meet gubernatorial candidate

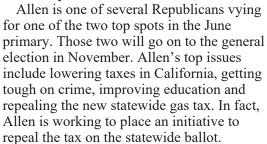
#### January: Travis Allen

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.

Allen made headlines in early January when he told Fox News anchor Tucker Carlson



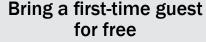


Remember, first-time guests are admitted free to the January meeting.

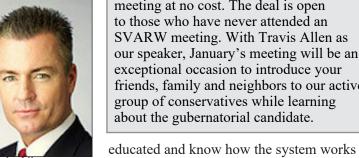
#### February: Orlean Koehle

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

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



Each year, SVARW allows first-time guests to attend the January monthly meeting at no cost. The deal is open SVARW meeting. With Travis Allen as our speaker, January's meeting will be an friends, family and neighbors to our active



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.

Contact Jan Soule at President@svarw.com for details.

#### **Contact your officials**

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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 prolife 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: <a href="https://youtu.be/eA\_yW7XGV1E">https://youtu.be/eA\_yW7XGV1E</a>

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 <u>www.occ-usa.org</u>.

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:

Jan Soule, President Rosa Brown, First Vice President, Debra Janssen-Martinez, Second Vice President

**Sherrill Martinez**, Recording Secretary

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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,
- 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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