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Mark your calendar.

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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.

Welcome to new SVARW members:

- Richard B. Fox, MD, JD
- Willow Hopkins
- Judy "JJ" Jennings
- Richard Kananen
- Katherine Roach
- Kathy Stakey

Upcoming events at SVARW

Australian works to keep America great

Our speaker for February, Malcolm McGough, an Australian citizen and permanent resident of the US, has a unique perspective on what makes America great.

As the California political and field operations director for the Trump/Pence Presidential Campaign, he played a part in electing a president who, like himself, honors America's Godly heritage and the truth



Malcolm McGough

of America's role as a beacon of hope and light for the world to follow.

Malcolm, as the former chief executive officer for Election Integrity Project California, will talk about the importance of cleaning up election fraud in California as a fundamental requirement for America to fulfill her God given leadership role in the world.

Lawsuit Won in 9th Circuit

Malcolm will bring us up-to-date on the Judicial Watch lawsuit against the California Secretary of State and the Los Angeles Registrar of Voters. Election Integrity

Event details

Date: Wednesday, Feb. 27

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.

California was the major plaintiff in the lawsuit that forced the removal of 1.5 million inactive voters from the Los Angeles County voter rolls.

Time permitting, Malcolm will also share about "The truth of the Left's agenda and the seven men who rule from the grave."

Malcolm is a 25-year veteran and retired Lieutenant Colonel from the Australian Army. After retirement he ran his own consulting firm before being recruited as an executive with the Australian defense department. He has a bachelor's degree in applied technology and a master's in international strategic studies and government policy.

Don't get left out!

Don't miss a single issue of SVARW's newsletter. The March issue will be the final one for those who have not renewed membership for 2019. You'll miss notifications about speakers, important

issues and SVARW special events, including the Stars & Stripes Gala and a new wine tasting event coming soon.

There are several levels of membership available. Questions? Email membership@svarw.com, visit the website or ask at the membership table at the next meeting.

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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. Email President@svarw.com for details on location.

See speakers online

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

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President's message

Plan to grow Republican voter registration

By Jan Soule
SVARW President

Voter registration always has been a key goal for SVARW, especially signing up more Republicans in our left-dominated state.

We are well aware of the challenges:

- The number of registered Republicans in California is now lower than both Democrats and “decline to state” voters.
- Only 50 percent of evangelical Christians are registered to vote and only half of those registered actually vote.

Countless political consultants have told us that an easy fix would be to get 100 percent of evangelicals registered to vote and to turn out at least half of those on election day. To that equation we should definitely add Catholics and Orthodox Jews. Political consultant Craig Huey (www.CraigHuey.com) vividly demonstrated at our November meeting how turning out the evangelical vote would turn elections in California.

Unfortunately, it is not easy get pastors, priests and rabbis to talk about political issues to their congregations.

The solution: Expand our outreach locally.

The Real Options March 9 Walk for Life brings hundreds of pro-life supporters together to raise money for this faith-based organization. Real Options Obria Medical Centers (FriendsofRealOptions.net) with three clinics in Santa Clara County, counsels pro-abortion minded women to consider parenting or adoption. Women who choose not to terminate their unplanned pregnancies are supported by free prenatal care, maternity clothes and necessities to take care of their newborns, including clothes, diapers and a new car seat. All this is done without one tax payer dollar.

SVARW has signed up to be a corporate sponsor for this March 9

event. This will give us an opportunity to have a table and signage at the event and let the hundreds of participants know that Republicans share their values. Our goals are:

Engage with registered Republicans and encourage them to join our email list and attend our meetings.

Register pro-life supporters to vote Republican.

Convince pro-life Democrats that the Republican Party is more aligned with their values.

How you can help:

- Join the SVARW Team walking on March 9 and help raise money.
- Support the SVARW Team by donating to Real Options (tax deductible) through one of the SVARW Team members. This is very important because all participating teams (mostly evangelical churches) will be watching the ranking of the teams based on money raised. We need the SVARW Team to be noticed. We need to attract attention so participants are drawn to our sponsorship table.

Use this link to support the SVARW Team: www.fundeasy.com/m/4220504/ You can donate to any member of the team. Our team captain is Lisa Seago.

Bad budget news

There's a new governor in Sacramento, but nothing has changed. State Sen. Mike Morrell, who was SVARW's guest speaker in September, recently sent out a letter detailing the additional spending proposed by Gov. Gavin Newsom. If adopted, Newsom's entire budget would be a record-setting \$209 billion.

See Morrell's entire letter at SVARW.com Please write to the governor and your state representatives to oppose this irresponsible budget.

Heartfelt letter to Pelosi details immigration dangers

Note: The following letter was written by a longtime SVARW member and sent to House Majority Leader Nancy Pelosi. It details how an experience 35 years ago in Mexico has meaning today for President Trump's immigration policy.

Mrs. Nancy Pelosi,

The purpose of this letter is regarding my full support for the construction of the wall and securing our border. My voice is the echo of many Hispanic women; I don't understand why you don't accept the facts that President Trump has stated many times. I support his plan because I was a victim and witnessed the crimes of three men who fled from Mexico to USA 35 years ago. I was a victim of physical and mental abuse of those criminals, rapists and murders.

This happened 35 years ago but still I have horrible memories, when this criminal were beating me, punching my stomach, pulling my hair, and dragging me, they were laughing about their crimes and telling me what they were thinking to do with me. They described how they rape three little angels and murdered them: Angelita one year old, another little girl 28 months, and the last another innocent of 3 years old. I'm still anxious about these memories. I was so fortunate for the people who helped me, but I made a promise to the mothers of those angels to help them find justice. They were single, poor mothers who needed to work and left their babies in care of

neglectful people.

It took two days for me to recuperate of this horrible experience and with the help of good people, I was able to find their names and where they were living. Sadly when I came with this information, they had left the country to California with the help of friends and relatives who were living in California. I failed to find the mothers to find justice for them; this is one case of many more. Many criminals are still abusing innocent people and coming here.

You allow their entrance without checking their background. I think you are the kind of person who thinks women look out for other women. But this looks like you don't care about women who are poor and Hispanic.

These are points allowing the illegal entrance.

- Human traffic: When girls are abducted from their families or false promise bring them to USA for prostitution or they are killed. People who travel either lose their lives in accidents, are murdered, raped or abducted for the cartels who may ask for ransom or use them for transport drugs.
- The drugs that come to USA are poisoning, and kill and destroy many families.
- Some men and women who come to USA to find jobs are leaving their families, and never come back to support their families, they neglected their families.
- With the caravans, Mexico suffers too. Some the communities have

to deal with garbage, human defecation, and diseases.

I have family who lives in the city of Mexico City and doctor's advice to them have all the immunizations due to the caravan. They have the resources to pay for the immunizations but many people are unaware or they don't have the resources to protect themselves.

When you don't enforce the legal entrance you are allowing all these issues. I lived in Mexico for 26 years and many years here THESE ARE FACTS.

I'm willing to testify in front of the legislators to hear my TRUTH and save more lives.

Contact your officials

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Imagine being a service member deployed overseas, missing the familiar sights and smells of home. And then imagine receiving a box filled with tasty treats, DVD movies, the Sunday comics and more. This is what it's like for service members who are adopted by Operation Care and Comfort, an all-volunteer organization that collects, packages and mails boxes of toiletries, food, entertainment items and other "touches of home" to service members overseas.

Please consider donating items or supporting this worthy organization with a financial donation. See the patriotic table staffed by SVARW member Kathy Imamura at our February meeting.

Every two months, volunteers meet at Avaya Stadium (where the Earthquakes play) to load up the boxes. This is a fun, easy and social event. Kathy will have a sign-up sheet at the February meeting for anyone interested in lending a hand.

In case you missed it: January meeting

A healing place grows in wake of terror attack

Attendees at SVARW's January meeting heard David Rubin tell the harrowing account of the night he and his 3-year-old son were shot by terrorists as Rubin was driving home from Jerusalem. Rubin was shot in the leg, and his son in the head. That experience, which they both survived, prompted Rubin to start speaking out about terrorism in Israel. A former New Yorker, Rubin moved to Israel many years ago and served as mayor of Shiloh.

Living in Samaria and Judea (the proper Biblical name for the "West Bank"), Rubin and his neighbors have all been affected by terrorism. People don bullet-proof vests and Army helmets to travel to work. There are even child-sized bullet-proof vests, he said.

David Rubin's terrifying experience with Palestinian terrorists 14 years ago forced him to realize how everyone in his community must live daily with the threat of attack. As his son healed from the shooting, Rubin realized that children were especially vulnerable

to long-term psychological problems living in a community where parents, siblings, young friends and teachers have died in terrorist attacks.

Rubin's creative solution was to start the Shiloh Israel Children's Fund, which offers a variety of therapy for children who have experienced trauma. He explained that children work through their trauma with play, art, working with animals, music and other activities.

"I wanted to restore some of the lost innocence of childhood," he said. "Fourteen years later we have over 2,000 children there. It's a place that takes the darkness and turns it into light; it takes the bitterness and turns it into sweetness."

Rubin praised President Trump's support for Israel, especially for moving the U.S. embassy to Jerusalem, for pulling out of the nuclear deal with Iran and for closing the Palestinian Liberation Organization's office in Washington, D.C. Check out his newest book, "Trump and the Jews."



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Nominating committee news

The 2019 nominating committee was elected at the January meeting. Members are Debra Janssen-Martinez, Sherrill Martinez, Rosa Brown, Wendy Brukwinski and Chantry Crawford. Contact any of these members if you would like to suggest a nominee for any of the

executive board positions: president, first and second vice-presidents, treasurer, recording secretary and corresponding secretary. Many of the current board members have served for several years and would welcome the opportunity to step aside for new leadership.



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