

Good Day All,

Next week's regular DAA meeting is going to focus on politics and the upcoming election. I hope you all will be able to attend and, if so, I would like to ask you to take on a small task. This is not an email blast but is only being sent to a few of you. I need your help.

With the current overwhelming media blitz being put on by the Republican candidate for Governor, it is hard to know that in addition to that race and in addition to the local 37<sup>th</sup> and 38<sup>th</sup> AD races, there are actually several very worthy candidates who need our support. The best way for us to support them is by getting information about them out to the public.

Here are our candidates:

- Jerry Brown Governor
- Barbara Boxer US Senate
- Gavin Newsom Lt. Governor
- Debra Bowen Secretary of State
- Kamala Harris Attorney General
- John Chaing Controller
- Bill Lockyear Treasurer
- Dave Jones Insurance Commissioner
- Chris Parker State Board of Equalization, 2<sup>nd</sup> District

Their opponents range from the relatively well known like Meg "Cash Machine" Whitman and Carly Fiorina (Let me do for California what I did for HP) to the lesser known but almost as toxic Tony Strickland, Steve Cooley and George Runner. Plus, there are the few somewhat lesser known Damon Dunn, Mimi Walters and Mike Villines.

I am asking you each to pick one of the above candidates and to do a bit of online research and let the club know who they are and why we should vote for them. Some may only take a minute or two and some you could spend a lot more time on but I want to cap the presentations to three minutes or under.

If you are up to the task and willing to contribute, your fellow club members will be grateful, as will I. Please, email me or call me if you can help or not and please let me know of any questions you may have.

Because we are trying to put together the meeting agenda now, I do need a response from you soon. **Please let me know if you will be able to participate -- or not-- no later than Saturday morning.**

Thanks in advance,

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