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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Two recent public opinion polls show that Bill Simon has closed the gap with Gray Davis and is now nearly even; in fact, statistically, it would be called "too close to call". With your help, we can put Bill over the top!

It is important for us to let the voters know of Bill's message of renewing the California dream and his ideas of rescuing California from the current slide in education, over taxation and broken infrastructure. As governor, Bill will return local control, give parents greater choice, and hold schools accountable for failing to educate our children. He will improve quality of life by addressing the state's transportation, energy, and water crises, streamlining workers comp, and reducing paperwork and regulation to help businesses and the state's economy grow.

Forward-looking and results oriented in business, compassionate and caring in philanthropy, tough and determined in law enforcement, Bill is dedicated to improving the way in which our public policy issues are addressed and in helping all Californians achieve their dreams. Bill believes that diversity is California's greatest asset and will see that diversity is reflected in the appointments he makes in his administration.

Bruce McPherson, candidate for Lieutenant Governor, is also well within striking distance against a sitting incumbent; as are Keith Olberg, candidate for Secretary of State, and Gary Mendoza, candidate for Insurance Commissioner. Tom McClintock leads his opponent, and Dick Ackerman and Greg Conlon are closing in on their incumbent opponents for Attorney General and Treasurer.

There are any number of ways you can help get our Republican candidates elected, whether you have days or just a few hours to volunteer between now and Election Day. Inside this newsletter are contact names and locations for Republican campaigns in the greater Sacramento region.

On to a victorious November 5th!

Joan Kawada Chan

GUEST COMMENTARY

This year, Californians have the opportunity to select someone to govern California for the next four years. In 1998, voters gave Gray Davis and his team a four-year chance to show what they could do for California. The picture is very clear. Results of four years of governing are dismal and scandalous. Poll after poll shows Californians have given Gray Davis a very negative rating. Scandals pile upon scandals. Gray Davis and team have simply betrayed our trust; stories after stories reveal a government team that appears to only approve policy after campaign contributions. We don't know whether policies are being sold to the highest bidder or if they reflect policies enacted to the best interest of California. Campaign meetings often take precedence over energy crisis meetings and long-term energy contracts are hastily signed only for political gains. Since his election to office, \$8 billion have

disappeared from the state treasury and Californians are now told that at least another \$24 billion are needed to avert a budget crisis. On the other hand, Davis' campaign treasury has ballooned to an incredible \$40 million, the result of what many allege is a successful pay-to-play policy. This year, Gray Davis has nowhere to hide; his failures to govern lay bare in front of the public. He has no positive record to run on. His strategy is to consume more airtime and to unleash a barrage of simplistic negative TV ads against Bill Simon in the hope that Californians will somehow be misled. This is truly an insult to the intelligence of California voters. I strongly believe that Californians will see through the smoke screen and conscientiously vote our scandalous CEO, Gray Davis, out of office.

Daniel Leung
AARCC Board Member

GETTING OUT THE VOTE

Getting the vote out is the number one priority! Below are contact names and locations in the greater Sacramento region. Get involved!

Sacramento Area

Contact: Sacramento County Republican Party at (916) 925-1850
Locations: 1325 Howe Avenue, Suite 105, Sacramento
4811 Chippendale Drive, Suite 902, Sacramento

Elk Grove and Laguna Area

Contact: Judy Tafoya at jtafoya7344@yahoo.com, (916) 682-9718 or (916) 275-3053 (cell)
Location: 8920 Emerald Park Drive, Suite F in the Courtyard office complex in Elk Grove

Folsom Area

Contact: Tom Scott at (916) 989-9665

Please join us in getting the vote out for Bill Simon and the rest of the Republican ticket!

Thank you, very much!

**STATE PROPOSITIONS
CALIFORNIA REPUBLICAN PARTY RECOMMENDATIONS***

| <u>PROPOSITION</u> | <u>CRP'S RECOMMENDATION</u> | |
|---|-----------------------------|---|
| Proposition 46 <i>Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act</i> Creates trust fund to provide shelters for battered women, housing for low-income seniors, homeless, mentally ill, repairs and improvements to apartments for families and handicapped citizens, provide and improve emergency shelters. Fiscal Impact: \$2.1 billion; \$2.6 billion interest cots; payments from general fund to repay bonds in payment of \$157 million per year. | NO | Proposition 49 (continued) Fiscal Impact: Additional state costs of up to \$455 million beginning in 2004 |
| Proposition 47 <i>Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities</i> Bond issue of \$13 billion, \$50 million to fund education facilities to relieve overcrowding and repair older schools. Fiscal Impact: \$26.2 billion over 30 years to pay off both principal (\$13.05 billion) and interest (\$13.15 billion); payments from general fund to pay off bonds in payments of \$873 million per year. | NO | Proposition 50 <i>Water Quality, Supply and Safe Drinking Water Projects, Coastal Wetlands Purchase and Protection</i> Authorizes \$3.44 billion general obligation bonds to fund a variety of water projects. Fiscal Impact: State costs of up to \$6.9 billion over 30 years to pay off both principal (\$3.44 billion) and interest (\$3.45 billion) with payments of \$230 million per year from the general fund. |
| Proposition 48 <i>Court Consolidation</i> Amends the Constitution to consolidate superior and municipal trial courts unto unified superior courts as previously approved by voters. Fiscal impact: None | YES | Proposition 51 <i>Transportation</i> Creates "Traffic Congestion Relief and Safe School Bus Trust Fund". Fiscal Impact: Redirects specified general fund revenues to state and local transportation-related of \$240 million in 2002-03, \$910 million in 2003-04, and increasing amounts annual thereafter depending on the increase in the sale and leasing of motor vehicles. |
| Proposition 49 <i>After School Programs</i> Increases state grant funds available for before/after school programs, providing tutoring, homework assistance and educational materials. Makes all public elementary, middle/junior high schools and charter schools eligible for grants. | YES | Proposition 52 <i>Election Day Voter Registration</i> Allows persons who are eligible to vote to register and vote on election day at their polling place, without photo identification or proof of residency. For more information, see your official voter information guide or visit the Secretary of State Web site at www.ss.ca.gov . |

**The recommendations indicated are those of CRP and do not necessarily reflect the positions of AARCC or its Board of Directors.*

DEAN CAIN FUNDRAISING EVENT FOR BILL SIMON

On June 27 Dean Cain, the star of television's Superman series "Lois and Clark" came to town to highlight a fundraising event for Bill Simon at the home of Bill and Suzanne Meek in Sacramento. The master of ceremonies was the popular radio talk host Tom Sullivan. Other honorable guests included John Rowland, Governor of Connecticut and Chairperson of the Republican Governors Association.

Joseph Kung, founder of Young Voters of America, brought six students from the Los Angeles area to the event. AARCC attendees included Joan Kawada Chan, Ken Kobrin, Daniel Leung, Jerry Chang, Alice Chang, Norm DeYoung, Rebecca Singleton, Sandy May, Kristine Chan, Kimanh Davis and Sun G. Wong.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA TEAM SIMON VOLUNTEER BARBEQUE

On July 27, Bill Simon hosted a family barbecue for his Northern California volunteers to thank them for their untiring work on his behalf. The barbecue took place in the beautiful backyard of Mike and Tish Pickett in Loomis and was attended by over 1000 volunteers. It was a fun event and Bill was overwhelmed by their support.

AARCC attendees included Joan Chan, Ken Kobrin, Jerry Chang, Alice Chang, Daniel Leung, Norman DeYoung, Rebecca Singleton, Sandy May, Kristine Chan, Norval Chan, and Mark Matulich.



Welcome.



Walking to the picnic.



Bill arrives.



Bill addresses the crowd.



KCRA interviewing Bill.



Kristine & Mark.



Rebecca & Dan.



Alice, Jerry & Bill.



Food line.



Part of the family.



Mike & Tish.



Everyone had a great time.

ELAINE CHAO RECEPTION AND ASIAN TEAM LEADERS MEETING

The Republican National Committee (RNC) and the California Republican Party hosted a reception honoring Elaine Chao, U. S. Department of Labor Secretary, at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco on July 18. Ms. Chao informed us of the achievements her office has accomplished to date and her goals for the future relative to the labor market and employment. In addition, Professor John Tsu, Chair of The White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders, highlighted President Bush's appointments of Asian Americans in key federal positions, and RNC Chair, Governor Marc Racicot, informed political activists about the initiatives being implemented by RNC to promote the President's agenda.

Prior to the event, Asian Americans for Simon ("A-Team") held a meeting to discuss the mission

goals of the team. Young Kim, Assistant Campaign Manager, stated that the "A-Team" is an integral part of the overall Simon for Governor campaign and serves as key advisors by making recommendations to the campaign. The goal of the "A-Team" is to focus on Asian outreach and building Asian coalitions statewide to get Bill Simon elected as the next Governor of California. Joe Yew serves as the Northern California Chair and the Hon. Paul Zee serves as the Southern California Chair.

For more information on the A-Team, please contact Young Kim at (310) 699-7426 or ykim@simonforgovernor.com.



Exercise your right to vote on November 5th!

LAURA BUSH SAN FRANCISCO FUNDRAISING EVENT FOR BILL SIMON

A fundraising luncheon event honoring Bill and Cindy Simon was held on June 12 at the Westin St. Francis Hotel in San Francisco with First Lady Laura Bush as the keynote speaker. George Schultz, former Secretary of State, and his wife Charlotte were also present at the event. There were close to a thousand attendees. The First Lady spoke about her husband's race for Governor of Texas and how this race is similar. Cindy Simon gave us some insight on her husband, and Bill informed us of what he would do if elected governor. Numerous AARCC members attended the event, including Joan Chan, Ken Kobrin, Dan Leung, Jerry Chang, Alice Chang, Rebecca Singleton, Dan Lamb, and Kimanh Davis.

KEN STEIGER EVENT AT HOLIDAY VILLA RESTAURANT

Ken Steiger, Sacramento County Assessor, attended AARCC's June 12th meeting to discuss current county assessment issues, including Proposition 60, a 1986 constitutional amendment that allows the transfer of an existing Proposition 13 base year value from a former residence to a replacement residence if the homeowners are 55-years or older or are disabled. He also discussed exclusions for property tax increases when property is transferred between parents and children. Ken emphasized his focus on helping Sacramento property owners in understanding the assessment process and the exclusions to which they are entitled. For more information, log on to www.saccounty.net/assessor.

MORE SIMON EVENTS

A fundraising event for Bill Simon was held at the Saca Residence in Sacramento by Jon Bagatelos. At the event, Bill Simon discussed the progress of his campaign and exposed Gray Davis' failing in governing California. Substantial money has been pumped into education, but was totally misspent and mismanaged, resulting in California education being rated dead last among all fifty states. There were a number of AARCC members in attendance, including Sandy May, Rebecca Singleton, Daniel Leung and Helen Leung.

Earlier the same day, Joan Chan held a Simon Capital Region meeting at KVIE Channel 6. The event brought together Simon for Governor campaign staff and the Northern California regional and county chairs and co-chairs to discuss strategy and coordination. Bill and Cindy Simon appeared at the gathering and addressed the attendees, which included a number of AARCC members active in the Simon for Governor campaign.

NO NEW TAXES RALLY

Senator Tom McClintock, running for State Controller, was a featured speaker at the "No New Taxes Rally" on the North Steps of the State Capitol on Saturday, June 29. Other speakers included Assembly Republican Leader Dave Cox, Senator Dick Monteith, KTKZ Host Eric Hogue, KFIA Host John Stoos, Lew Uhler of the National Tax Limitation Committee, Ted Costa of the People's Advocate and Jon Coupal of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers. McClintock pounded at Gray Davis and the Democrats, the party that turned an \$8 billion surplus into a \$24 billion deficit by increasing wasteful spending by as much as 37 percent.

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES LIST

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| Lt. Governor: | Bruce McPherson |
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| District 5: | Dave Cox |
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GENERAL ELECTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2002



The General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2002. VOTE!

Election Night Party: Bleacher's Sports Bar and Grille, 1801 Exposition Blvd, Sacramento
7:30 pm to midnight

AARCC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

DATE _____

MR./MRS./MS. _____
(Last) (First) (M.I.)

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

TELEPHONE _____
(Home) (Work)

FAX _____ E-MAIL _____

U.S. CITIZEN: [] YES [] NO

REGISTERED REPUBLICAN: [] YES [] NO

Annual Membership dues: \$20.00.

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October 21, 2002

Voter Registration Deadline

October 27, 2002

Azvedo's Steak and Oyster Feed

Call (916) 967-5024

October 29, 2002

Absentee Ballot Application Deadline

November 5, 2002

ELECTION DAY

Remember to Vote!

November 5, 2002

Election Night Party

Bleacher's Sports Bar and Grill

7:30 pm to midnight

November 23, 2002

California Chinese eResources Award Banquet

Call (916) 393-8080

December 12, 2002

Sacramento Chinese Cultural Foundation Dinner

Call (916) 933-6898