

Valley VOTE

Date: Monday, January 17, 2011

Time: 6:30pm - 8:30pm

**Place: Galpin Ford - 2nd floor meeting room
15555 Roscoe Blvd (at the 405)**

**Parking: Free parking in the Galpin Lot on the West side of Orion
Please do not park in the customer service areas.**

Agenda

6:30pm - 7:00pm

Networking

7:00pm- 7:30pm

Introductions

Reports by Valley VOTE Committees

(~5 minutes for each including Q&A)

Pensions

Vic Viereck

Transportation

Bart Reed

Valley Region H.S.#4

Richard Fisk

Membership

Richard Leyner

7:30pm - 8:00pm

Stuart Waldman



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Stuart Waldman has been the President of the Valley Industry and Commerce Association (VICA) since 2008. VICA is recognized as the most influential business group in the San Fernando Valley. Prior to joining VICA, he spent 11 years working for the California State Assembly representing the San Fernando Valley as Chief of Staff to Assembly members, including Assembly Speaker Bob Hertzberg.

In 2001, Stuart was appointed to the California Board of Accountancy. In 2004 he was elected Secretary-Treasurer of the organization overseeing the Boards \$7 million dollar annual budget. In the early 1990s he was charged with purchasing and operations for a Woodland Hills Pension Firm.

Stuart served in the Army from 1987 to 1989. He attended Los Angeles Valley College, California State University Northridge, and holds a law degree from Loyola Law School.

Mr. Waldman is a Board member on numerous Valley organizations and was recently named to CSUN's Northridge Center for Management and Organizational Development Advisory Board.

Stuart and his wife, attorney Nicole Kuklok-Waldman, live in Van Nuys.

Mr. Waldman will discuss the role of VICA in representing the valley business community. Stuart will also speak about the importance of the new State Senate and Assembly district boundaries being redrawn this year by the newly selected 14 committee members of the State Redistricting Commission. New district lines are scheduled for completion on Jan.1,2012 and will be in place for 10 years.

We look forward to hearing Stuart's presentation and thank him for taking his personal time to be with us this evening.

8:00pm - 8:30pm Dave Beauvais

David Beauvais is a member of the 11 person Park Advisory Board (PAB) established in 2010 to help develop a master plan for the "Oakridge Project," a park in Northridge, that is managed by the Los Angeles Recreation and Parks Department.

The Oakridge Project has an interesting history. Oakridge was built by by architect Paul R. Williams for actress, Barbara Stanwyck, decades ago. An English manor stands on the 9-acre estate, just half a block from the busy corner of Reseda and Devonshire Boulevards. Known locally as the "Oakie" estate, it was bequeathed to USC's School of Cinematic Arts in 1991 in order to preserve the home. The school offered approximately seven acres of the estate to two separate developers (the house and surrounding grounds are protected as a historical landmark). However, in both cases, the developers went bankrupt before they could proceed to build homes. Councilman Greig Smith was able to secure sufficient Quimby funds to allow the city to purchase the entire 9.75 acre estate as dedicated parkland.

Dave will make a 20 minute PowerPoint presentation that explains the role of the PAB Committee and gives some background on the house and grounds. He also will present some visuals of the interior of the home. In addition to his PAB position Dave is President of the Old Granada Hills Resident Group (OGHRG) and the Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council and is a member of the Granada Hills Chamber of Commerce. We are pleased that Dave has taken time out of his busy schedule to be with us this evening.

Questions from the audience, as time permits, will follow each speakers remarks. The public and press are invited to the meeting.

The next regular monthly meeting of Valley VOTE will be **Monday, February 21, 2011** at Galpin Ford.

Valley VOTE Mission Statement

Valley VOTE, a diverse coalition of San Fernando Valley residents, businesspeople, educators, community activists, and organizations, is committed to exploring and fostering the implementation of programs that empower the people of the San Fernando Valley and the City of Los Angeles, to improve local governance, education and public participation on policy matters.

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