



August 20,2012 -- Time: 6:30pm-8:30pm

**Place:Galpin Ford-2nd floor Community room
15555 Roscoe blvd.- exit at Roscoe Blvd. of the 405**

Parking: Free parking in the Galpin lot on the west side of Orion
Please do not park in the customer service areas

6:30 – 7:00 PM

Networking- all present

7:00 – 7:30 PM

**Reports by Valley VOTE Committees:
Vic Viereck ; Bart Reed; Denny Schneider**

7:30 – 7:45 PM

Fran Pavley

Fran presents her arguments for getting your vote for the assembly.



Education

Fran received her Masters Degree at CSU Northridge, taught middle school for 28 years and completed her teaching career in Moorpark. Senator Pavley brought together over 300 educators and students from Ventura County with California's Superintendent of Public Instruction to address the challenges facing our public education system. Since 2007, the University of California, the California State University and the California Community Colleges have been cut by \$2.65 billion. Tuition has more than doubled while services, classes and student aid continue to be slashed. Senator Pavley is working on important legislation aimed at reducing the cost of textbooks. She is also working hard to pass the Middle Class Scholarship Act to ensure that families can keep more of their hard earned cash and lower their debit.

Public Safety

Last year, she worked with the California Chamber of Commerce to improve California's business climate by streamlining state regulations through regulatory reform. Her new law requires agencies to more rigorously assess economic impacts. While in the Senate, she created the Valley Advisory Council, which is comprised of business and community leaders from the San Fernando Valley, meeting regularly on issues impacting the community. Senator Pavley has been instrumental in bringing together California's green-industry leaders to identify

ways in which industry and government can partner to grow green manufacturing, business, technology and innovation.

During Senator Pavley's tenure in the Legislature, public safety and crime prevention have been top priorities. Fran has a long record of fighting for public safety reforms including cracking down on elder abuse, sexual abuse and domestic violence. Working closely with the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office, she has authored laws ensuring the prosecution of child sexual abuse cases, requiring that sexually violent predators serve their court ordered parole. This year she is authoring legislation to increase convictions for sex crimes against children, such as child prostitution, human trafficking and child pornography.

As a member of the Assembly and Senate Transportation Committees for her entire time in the Legislature, Senator Pavley has been actively working to represent her constituents to secure funding, address safety concerns and provide leadership on the states transportation policy. Her legislation reduced congestion by promoting the use of public transit and allowing hybrid vehicles in the carpool lanes. Pavley helped to secure funds for many local transportation projects including the construction of the Orange Line bus way and installation of traffic signals in San Fernando Valley.

Environment/Energy

Throughout her legislative career, Fran has shown the way to the common ground between the environment and the economy, by bringing a diverse range of leaders together to draft and negotiate win-win policies for California. Senator Pavley's landmark clean cars law united national security leaders, global automakers, and clean energy advocates behind a common purpose: to plug the hole in American families' budgets caused by our addiction to oil by offering consumers more affordable, fuel efficient car options. Now known as the "**Pavley Law**," Fran's efforts pushed the President of the United States to adopt national standards that will save the average driver about \$4,000 dollars over the life of the car, money that would otherwise go to big oil companies.

Fran's Global Warming Solutions Act sent a strong signal to businesses around the world that California is the epicenter of the global clean energy economy. Since the California's clean energy economy has grown, while many other sectors have faltered. More than 330,000 Californians are now employed in jobs in construction, manufacturing, business, and other sectors of the clean energy economy; and 55 cents of every dollar invested into clean-tech startup companies are invested in California.

As chair of the Natural Resources and Water Committee, she helped with five major pieces of legislation that set the stage for greater reliability for Southern California's water supply, along with the restoration of the fragile Bay-Delta in Northern California. For more than 30 years, Pavley has worked with the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy to acquire and protect open space, develop trails and public access to lands throughout Los Angeles and Ventura Counties.

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Todd Zink

Todd will present his arguments for getting your vote for the assembly.



A Commitment to Service

Todd Zink is a husband, father, decorated Marine Corps officer, and an accomplished Deputy District Attorney with a long record of service to our community and country.

Military Officer

Todd Zink followed in his father's footsteps as a military officer by earning a scholarship in the Naval ROTC program at the University of Southern California. Upon graduation, Todd was immediately commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps. He became an infantry officer and a graduate of Ranger, Combat Dive, and Airborne Schools. As an active duty Marine in Encino, he lived in Thousand Oaks and did community outreach events in the San Fernando and Conejo Valleys at schools, in cities and with small businesses.

Working Student

After completing his active duty service, Todd pursued a law degree at Loyola Law School, attending class in the evenings while working full-time in the pharmaceutical and biopharma sales industries, and serving in the Marine Corps Reserves.

Combat Veteran

A few months after 9-11, Todd's reserve company from Port Hueneme in Ventura County was activated as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom and became part of the only reserve infantry battalion to take part in the march to Baghdad. During this operation he orchestrated close air support missions in the push to Baghdad.

District Attorney

Shortly after his return from Iraq, Todd was selected as a Deputy District Attorney for the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office. Todd's work on behalf of the people of Los Angeles County included serving the communities of Compton, Beverly Hills, Sylmar, San Fernando and Van Nuys, where he is currently assigned to the prosecution of serious and violent felony offenders in the San Fernando Valley. He is an accomplished trial attorney who has been recognized by Super Lawyer Magazine as a "Rising Star" in 2005-07 and 2009.

Continued to Serve

Lt. Colonel Zink has continued to serve in the Marine Corps Reserves, participating in exercises around the world including Ukraine and Morocco. He was selected as the Battalion Commander of the Lone Star Battalion in Texas to lead them in Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Todd earned the Bronze Star for his service in the War.

Husband and Father

Todd is married to his wife, Christon, a Vietnamese immigrant whose father fought alongside American Forces against the North Vietnamese. Christon is a small business owner and attorney specializing in Workers Compensation Defense. Todd and Christon live in Westlake Village with their two sons; Hunter, age 7, Connor, age 5, and their rescued mutt, Lucky.

8:00 PM

Questions, (not speeches), from the audience will be presented by the Moderator of the meeting.

A Q and A period for each candidate to express their views.

8:30 PM - Meeting adjourned