



# Bob Huff 60th AD Assemblyman Runs for Senate Seat in 29th SD

Bob Huff faced Dennis Mountjoy in the Republican Primary for the 29th Senate District. Both were popular Conservative Republicans and either would make a good Senator. Bob Huff said of his victory, “I am deeply honored and humbled by the tremendous support my campaign received on June 3rd, when we secured the Republican Party nomination for State Senate, 29th district. We received over 68% of the vote! Such a victory would not have been possible without the hard work of numerous volunteers and tens of thousand of voters I can't even begin to thank. I wish to compliment my friend Dennis Mountjoy on his spirited campaign. He and his family have been public servants for many years, and I wish them the best. I invite all of Dennis’ supporters to unite with us now as we work to keep this seat in Republican hands. Thank you again.”



Bob Huff’s campaign for the Senate is based on – Opposing Higher Taxes, Opposing Illegal Immigration, Fiscally Conservative Leadership, A More Prosperous Economy, Traditional Values, Protecting Property Rights, Making Our Communities Safer, and Improving Our Schools.

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Bob Huff is currently the Chairman of the Assembly Republican Caucus. He has served in the Assembly since December 2004. A resident of Diamond Bar, he served on the City Council from 1995-2004, and served as Mayor in 1997 and 2001. Assembly member Huff is a member of the Assembly Committees on Education, Health, Transportation and the Budget Subcommittee 5 on Information Technology and Transportation.

As a proponent of reform within California’s school system, Assembly member Huff has had legislation signed into law guaranteeing more funding for public charter schools and supports shifting more education money into the classroom by contracting out non-educational services. Assembly member Huff has advocated paying down debt to solve the state’s structural deficit and taking a percentage of budget growth to create an income stream for infrastructure needs.

Born in Calexico, California, Assembly member Huff grew up on his family’s farm in the Imperial Valley. Mr. Huff attended Westmont

*From the President's Desk----*

Brenda Montaine

Happy Summer Time Greetings from your Southern California Republican Women and Men President!

Thank you to everyone who attended our July luncheon. I hear it was an excellent meeting. A special thank you to our featured speaker, **Brian Brown** whom I was told happily discovered that there are conservatives in Hollywood. Our visitors, I'm told, seemed pleasantly surprised by the conservative tone of SCRW&M. Thank you to our Executive Board for picking up the slack and running a fantastic meeting without me. My family was in beautiful Laguna Beach celebrating my mom's sister's 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

In the last President's column I suggested those of us tolerating McCain consider supporting him. So I'd like to challenge all to ponder what it will take for McCain to move his conservative base from toleration to full support. For me it will be his V.P. pick, if it is Romney. Republican author, Benjamin Shapiro doesn't think that in the big picture a vice-presidential candidate selection makes a difference toward an election win - I paraphrase from an answer that he gave me at a SFVRC meeting. Shapiro believes a win rests solely on the presidential nominee. In 2000 and 2004 that was true for me. I was a staunch George W. Bush supporter not concerned with his V.P. choice. My colleagues in the lunch room would hear my standard mantra of "I love Bush, I love Texas", in response to any Bush bashing.

However, in the case of McCain himself, who this year was my second to last Republican presidential choice, I find myself looking past him for reassurance and reasons to get that presidential year excitement back. First, B. Hussein Obama (Yes I read Ann Coulter's column) is the best reason I can come up with for voting for McCain. Second, McCain's wife Cindy for me out does Obama's wife Michelle as a first lady hopeful. Third, my democrat friends have brought this one up, Obama's lack of experience is a concern. But when I find myself counting down the days until McCain's running mate is selected I feel like I did as a child waiting for Christmas Day. I have a taste of that oh this is going to be worth the wait and those good vibrations that the Beach Boys sang about. For me, it would be a Mitt

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## Forum Report by Eldon Quick

July's forum was the best attended we've had in a long time. We had a number of guests, and some welcome new members who were happily not shy about expressing their opinions. I love it when thoughts fly thick and fast.

**Michael Lerew** started off the forum with a question concerning the proposed bailout of '**Fannie May**', and '**Freddy Mack**'. A; should we bail them out, B; should we let them go under and let the economy suffer? Oh, we are such hardhearted Republicans; we just have no compassion at all. "We are Capitalists", one said, "If they fail, so be it."

Next, a walk down memory lane, "what would life be like in California if **Proposition 13** had never been passed?" "There wouldn't be any." Said one wag. Seriously, Proposition 13 stopped an unchecked run of tax increases on homeowners, causing older people with fixed incomes to loose their homes because they couldn't afford the increases. Some people feel it is unfair now because people buying new homes pay a much higher rate than a neighbor who has lived in his home many years. Also business which do not sell as often as private property tend to have much lower assessed value therefore there should be a split role between business and homeowners. But in the end – Thank you Howard Jarvis.

The passing of **Jessie Helms** was fresh on our minds and several members who had had personal experiences with him shared their memories. We were reminded it was Jessie Helms who urged Ronald Reagan to run in the primary in North Carolina, which he won with a great speech that launched his National political career and resulted in his winning the Presidency in 1980. "He was a kind and courtly man."

Shortest question and answer – "What do we think about the Supreme Court's decision giving **the right to bear arms** to individuals?" Unanimous – "Great!"

Now a call to arms, a call to action – The State of California Environmental Agency is proposing the imposition of a \$.10 to \$.50 per gallon tax on gasoline to force consumers to pay for the "**Global Warming**" caused by our use of gasoline. Our reaction – send letters, emails, calls to Sacramento asking where that money goes. Learn about it, run with it! A note, 30% of our air pollution in California comes from China.

Now to the nitty-gritty, "What grade would you give **John McCain's campaign** in the past month? And why?" We at SCRW&M are not a bunch of happy campers right now. We have many complaints not only about the way John McCain is presenting himself, ("McCain is running his campaign like an old fragile woman; he must be sharper to win."), but about how the entire Republican Party is presenting itself. True, McCain's chances of carrying California are nil, so pouring money and time into the State would be a waste, but couldn't the party at least be looking to building for the future? Our National leaders have opportunity, after opportunity to respond to the Democrat leadership's misinformation campaigns about us and they pass them up. We guess it's up to us the 'grass-roots' to inform our neighbors about what they will get if they vote for Obama.

And our **opinion of Obama** is not high. "Charlatan" – "Typical candidate" – "Can't control his own district" – "Hypocrite" – "Empty suit" – "Being run by someone else" – "Young inexperienced" – "No concept of reality", were some of the nicer things said about him. Not to worry though, we were assured; sooner or later he will get his foot caught in his mouth and the press won't be able to save him.

When asked, "What Issues are most important to **undecided voters**?" We ranged far and wide with our answers. The economy, or rather the perception of the economy, we thought would be very important. The News media has for some months now been doing everything it can to talk the economy down. **Phil Graham** had the news media in mind when he spoke of "a Nation of whiners." Congress with a 9% approval rating and a general contempt with elected officials across the board will probably reduce voter turn-out. Unfortunately the news media has managed to put a Republican Label on everything that is wrong. However, Obama's proposals to push for a 17% increase in business tax and to allow Bush's tax cuts to die will work in McCain's favor.

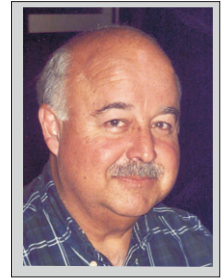
There was more about what we can expect if Obama wins, but my space is limited. If you are one who enjoys thoughtful discourse or opinion passionately expressed come join us at the Forum starting 11:30 Saturday meeting day.



Eldon Quick

## Bill's Bills

Bills Bills – 8-08



*William Saracino*

I know I've started this column before with Marc Anthony's words "If you have tears, prepare to shed them now" from *Julius Caesar* by my namesake Billy Shakespeare (okay, Sir Francis Bacon for the skeptics among us). Those words are still most apropos of the legislative situation in Sacramento, but for those of you who eschew repetition I offer this quote from the 20<sup>th</sup> century's greatest man; Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill; "I have nothing to offer you but blood, toil, tears and sweat".

As of this writing (July 30<sup>th</sup>), California is still without a budget, which was constitutionally due on June 15<sup>th</sup>. In the 6 weeks since legislators failed their sworn constitutional duty to produce a budget they have continued to receive their \$10,000 per month salary, as well as their \$2,000 per month tax-free per diem. Many of them have gone on vacation. And in the meantime the state continues to wrack up debt and watch its credit rating do an imitation of the HMS Titanic.

But fear not – for even though the legislature and our "post-partisan" Governor have not found the time to deal with our \$18 billion (and rising daily) budget deficit, they HAVE found time to enact laws that are vital to the freedom and prosperity of every Californian and which continue to make us the envy of the civilized world. To wit:

\* SB 685 by State Senator Leland Yee of San Francisco, Mars and Alpha Centauri. This bill made it easier for Californians to include pets in their wills. Apparently up until the honorable Yee remedied the situation, California treated pet trust funds as "honorary", thereby calling into question their legal enforceability. Thank Sirius the dog star and canine god, that is no longer the case. Yee's bill passed both houses of the legislature with nary an arf of opposition. Governor Schwarzenegger took time out from adjusting his posing thong to sign this landmark piece of legislation. Makes you proud to be a Californian, eh?

\* AB 97 by Assemblyman Tony Mendoza of scenic Norwalk, the city whose motto is "We're just like Bell Gardens, but without the charm". Mendoza's contribution to modern legislative insanity makes it illegal for restaurants in California to cook with oil containing the dreaded "trans fats", those pesky things that increase your waist-line but also keep food from tasting like styrofoam. Our Governor, who had no trouble injecting himself with illegal steroids in pursuit of the Mr. Universe title, decided that he knows better than you do what to put in your body, and hence signed this nanny-state monstrosity.

So, shed your tears, or blood and sweat. Our elected representatives can't deal with keeping the state solvent, but they CAN deal with making sure Fluffy gets her due in your will, and that your future orders of french fries will taste like drywall. All this sure makes it hard to understand the upswing in cynicism among voters...yes?.

Tis enough to drive one to drink, which reminds me...there's a shaker of Bombay sapphire martinis calling my name in my freezer. See you next month.

# Mr. Spielberg, Tear Down This Wall

Excerpts from a Washington Times article by Andrew Breitbart

The conventional wisdom is that Hollywood has never before been so gaga over any candidate as she is now for Sen. Barack Obama. In addition to raking in Oprah-level campaign cash, Mr. Obama's making Sen. John McCain, despite comedy turns on Saturday Night Live and in The Wedding Crashers, look like an out-of-it grandfather. But while it is true that the ratio of Obama to McCain bumper stickers in West LA is about 250 to 1, there are indeed untold closet Republicans in the entertainment industry who dare not advertise their beliefs in movie studio parking lots. (Unfortunately, car keying is a tactic wielded liberally by the self-described "tolerant!")

But in this land of superficiality and augmented assets, the inconvenient truth is that in Hollywood absolute conformity to the Democratic Party is a well-constructed facade. The environment is not so much unfavorable to the Grand Old Party as it is utterly totalitarian. There's simply no lifestyle choice that receives a worse response at dinner parties. Convicted murderer? Has anyone optioned the rights to your story? Avowed Marxist? Viva la revolucion! Scientologist? Do you take Visa or MasterCard? Syphilitic drug abuser? Let's talk! Conservative? You should go.

Only proclaiming one's self a practicing Christian is met with greater disdain - making Christian Republicans the gold standard in Hollywood pariah status.

Since the Communist-sympathizing Jane Fonda aerobicized her way into the mainstream of Hollywood politics, and about the time that John Wayne died, most Republicans in Hollywood began to shut their mouths. Other Republicans attempt to win over the bullies by referring to themselves as "moderate," "libertarian," "independent," "classical liberal," or "JFK Democrat,"

The tandem of social and vocational ostracism usually shuts down even the strongest voices. Yet recently during the "Iron Man" media-blitz a New York Times profile on Robert Downey Jr. featured the following quote buried in the twenty-third paragraph:

I have a really interesting political point of view, and its not always something I say too loud at

dinner tables here, but you can't go from a \$2,000-a-night suite at La Mirage to a penitentiary and really understand it and come out a liberal. You can't. I wouldn't wish that experience on anyone else, but it was very, very, very educational for me and has informed my proclivities and politics ever since."

Yes we can!

Maybe the cryptic Mr. Downey now considers himself a French separatist? Or perhaps a Zapatista? The Hollywood dinner party test strongly hints the talented actor has lurched rightward during his long road to recovery. Playwright David Mamet recently expressed a similar Road to Da Masses conversion. "I took the liberal view for many decades;" Mr. Mamet bravely wrote in a Village Voice op-ed, but I believe I have changed my mind."

Si se puede!

Two entertainment icons go against the political grain during ascendant Obama times yet there's nary a peep from the media heralding their journeys. And their peers ignore the rejection of their faith for fear of creating sequels. Mr. Downey Jr. and Mr. Mamet have reached points high enough in the food chain where they won't always be disinvited from macrobiotic power lunches. They join an elite brunch that includes actors Bruce Willis, Kelsey Grammer and Patricia Heaton who also brazenly wear the Scarlet R in the middle of the school cafeteria.

Michael Crichton - who to the chagrin of Al Gore exposes "environmentalism as a religion" along with comic genius Dennis Miller show that there are cracks in the wall artificially separating Hollywood from much of America. This stealth contrarian trend (featuring high-end talent with iconoclastic reputations) could gain steam in an election featuring a "maverick" like John McCain (who gives nervous showbiz conservatives far greater career I cover than toxic avenger George W. Bush ever did.

When asked recently what it was like to work with "Republican" Clint Eastwood (the question speaks volumes), Angelina Jolie, a "Surge" supporter who also wants to produce Ayn Rand's "Atlas Shrugged," surprised Entertainment Weekly with her answer: Actually, we don't disagree as much as you'd think. I think people assume I'm a Democrat. But I'm registered independent and I'm still undecided. So I'm looking at McCain as well as Obama?"

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College in Santa Barbara, where he earned a bachelor's degree in psychology, graduating with honors.

Most of Assembly member Huff's professional and business experience has been in the agricultural industry. Working through the ranks to become the youngest vice president in a grain handling corporation, he became manager-owner of the Ray S. French Company, an independent commodity wholesaler, shortly after he moved his family to Diamond Bar in 1983. Assembly member Huff and his wife, Mei Mei, have three sons, a daughter and two granddaughters.

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You hedge, girl.

But Los Angeles is a one-company town. And because of bullying (or what Democrats would call blacklisting or "political discrimination" if the shoe were on the other foot), Hollywood has become a one-party town. History will show this dynamic hurt both the creative and the political processes. If you will recount, all historical political episodes are seen through the eyes of Democrat protagonists while Republicans are cast as the villains. If only the GOP could outsource its PR burden to the Council on American Islamic Relations (CAIR). Those guys sure know how to erase the bad guys from the big screen.

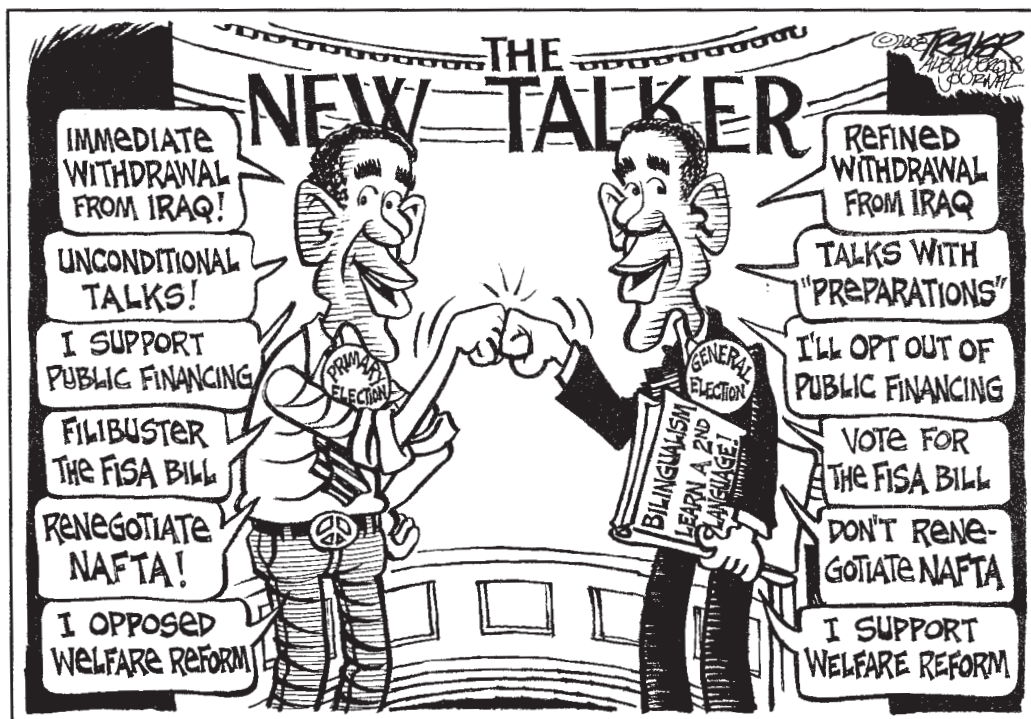
More than a dozen box office failures vilify the troops without a single counter-perspective seeing the light of day. Yet one impactful and heartfelt pro-war film, *Brothers at War*, dares to tell the story of a

noble and patriotic American family yet can't find a distributor.

The litany of negative consequences to the ideological rigidity of modern Hollywood is virtually limitless. The lack of tension between competing ideas has made the arts increasingly tedious and rendered the celebrities woefully uninteresting.

But what's worse: When Mr. Obama can come to town to cherry pick untold millions in donations - and Mr. McCain is shunned because a simple FEC search of his artsy donors could ruin a phalanx of careers (not to mention many Lexus paint jobs) - then something's desperately wrong.

*Andrew Breitbart, CEO of Breitbart.com, writes a weekly column for The Washington Times.*



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Romney running mate announcement that would catapult me to the front of the McCain for president line.

Mitt was my first choice as the primary presidential candidate this year. I've bragged to my family that Rick and I were in the same room with Mitt at the California Republican Party Fall Convention in 2006. We'll my dad's brother's wife surpassed my brag with the announcement she was able to shake Mitt's hand. I'm ashamed to say I made a dramatic grab to touch the hand that touched Mitt's - mostly without a star struck glaze to my eyes, mostly- with my husband stuck in the middle of us shaking his head with a dramatic eye roll eyebrow raised unspoken questioning look of what the heck I was doing when I gasped, "You got to touch Mitt". I'd really like to be reenergized by continued conservative representation in the White House.

I'm moving from tolerating to supporting McCain for Mitt Romney. When I received a letter from Romney this month asking that I match my Romney for president primary donation amount and send that in to McCain, I did. I'd like to challenge everyone who donated in the primary to a candidate other than McCain to match that donation and send it in to McCain. Still not convinced then spend some time at [www.johnmccain.com](http://www.johnmccain.com).

The announcement for the 2008 California Republican Party Fall Convention arrived in the mail this month. Rick and I will be there. Hope to see you there. In conclusion, I believe that McCain will beat Obama with or without Mitt, with or without liberal media support, and I'm even going to go on record for predicting a McCain win in California. Until then, 1. Vote, 2. Join us on at our monthly meetings.

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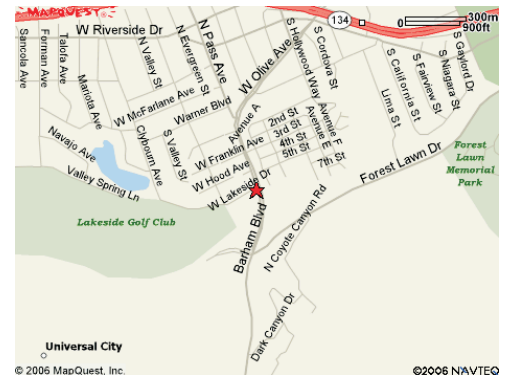
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