

DAWN ROWE COUNTY SUPERVISOR

Our neighbors to the east of us in Johnson Valley put out a little email newsletter periodically, written by Betty Munson, one of the community leaders. She wrote this little news piece regarding our new County Supervisor, Dawn Rowe, appointed to replace James Ramos, who was elected Assemblyman in a district down the hill. This tells you just about everything you need to know about Dawn, and it sounds promising!

A JVIA* MEMBER REPLACES RAMOS

• Our former Third District Supervisor James Ramos won election to the California Assembly, representing the 40th Assembly District in the Highland area.

The County Board of Supervisors unanimously has selected Dawn Rowe to complete the final two years of Ramos' term.

She was sworn in Tuesday, December 18, to this big job in the biggest district. The Third District includes a majority of the area in San Bernardino County (largest county in the USA) with a minority of the population. Supervisor Rowe (her name rhymes with "now") represents all or parts of the cities of San Bernardino, Grand Terrace, Colton, Loma Linda, Highland, Redlands, Yucaipa, Barstow, Big Bear Lake, Twentynine Palms, the Town of Yucca Valley, and surrounding unincorporated communities (including Johnson Valley) and wide open desert. Dawn commutes an hour-and-a-half to work now, but says she uses the time to catch up on phone calls.

Many of us know Dawn and were happy to see a "desert person" chosen to represent us. She knows the concerns we have with government-mandated industrial renewable energy projects blighting our communities, and the statewide ban on building permits if you rely on hauled water.

Such issues, as well as the fire tax and the Community "Action" Plans, vital to many of us, barely impinge on the consciousness of urban dwellers. They rarely understand how such things damage the economy of County desert and mountain communities, thus depressing the economy of the entire County.

Dawn's public service experience includes election to the Yucca Valley Town Council, including a stint serving as mayor. Since 2009, she has served as an aide to Congressman Paul Cook, until just before taking on this appointment.

We first met her in the days of the Marine Base expansion, when so many desert recreation enthusiasts joined forces, and eventually demonstrated to Congressman Cook how and why we wanted to keep the public lands of the Johnson Valley OHV Area. Dawn has maintained her membership in the Johnson Valley Improvement Association and has visited the Community Center on various occasions.

She encourages her new constituents to contact her directly with any ideas or suggestions on how to improve our County government.

Contact information:
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We wish her the best in this new office.
*Johnson Valley Improvement Association



Dawn Rowe

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SOME FUN STUFF

I bet you didn't know that Pat Sajak is a (gasp!) conservative. That makes him one of two in the entertainment industry. Oh, all right, one of maybe five or six, Tom Selleck and Clint Eastwood being a couple of others.

Here are a few tweets Pat made on Twitter that I think are great. The last one must have been made on Monday, New Year's Eve.



Pat Sajak

Pat Sajak @patsajak

One of the (many) odd conceits of celebrityhood is the notion that the ability to sing or tell jokes or portray other characters somehow qualifies one to tell others how to vote. Not sure electricians or truckers or sales associates feel that way about themselves.

21.5K 5:45 AM - Nov 2, 2018

Pat Sajak @patsajak

I'm so glad the election will be over tomorrow. No more political commercials for a while. The people will have spoken. We can all accept the results, join hands and give thanks for living in this great nation. I also need to take my unicorn to the vet to get his horn buffed.

15.4K 6:01 AM - Nov 5, 2018

Pat Sajak @patsajak

Hurry! Last day to plan for the New Year's grievances, apocalyptic warnings, outraged reactions, triggers, fury and general anger. Happy 2019!

5,583 7:16 AM - Dec 31, 2018

Recently we bought a newish (2017) vehicle at our house, a Ram Pro-Master City mini-mini-van. I about choked on my coffee when I found a Prop 65 warning sticker on it. That's the warning required in this looney state of ours, telling us of all the horrible things that can give us cancer, if we are exposed to 5 million times the amount in whatever product it is. We might as well laugh, right? Take a look at this.



A WARNING A PASSENGER VEHICLES WARNING:



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I'm so glad for the warning that I can be exposed to engine exhaust and should avoid breathing. Oh, excuse me, it only says to avoid breathing the exhaust. My mistake.

The downside to all of this is that it's not so funny. Our former grocery supplier Unified Grocers was bought out a year and a half ago by Supervalu, headquartered in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and we have lost a number of grocery products because their packaging did not include sufficient Prop. 65 lingo on the labels. That includes our very popular chocolate covered cookies like Fudge Stripes, Fudge Grahams, and Fudge Mint cookies. Ooooooh. Don't you see the threat hidden in each one of these?

Linda Gammel

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

LVEDA Meeting

(Lucerne Valley Economic Development Association)

TUES. JANUARY 8, 5 PM.
at the Senior Center

Date changed since the first Tuesday was New Years Day.

- New County Supervisor – implications for desert communities.
- Updates on community plans – solar projects – the Roadrunner's toy run - etc.
- Report on meeting with Watermaster.
- Discussion: What do we want LVEDA to do in 2019; What kind of presentations?; Local business issues?

L.V. School Board Meeting

Thursday, Jan. 10, starts at 5:30PM.

At the Alternative Education Center, 8560 Aliento Rd up Highway 18.

Household Hazardous Waste & E-Waste Collection

SATURDAY, January 12, 9A to Noon Free disposal of household hazardous waste (Antifreeze, Batteries, Motor Oil & Oil Filters, or latex paint only). And thanks to a special arrangement with the County collection of Electronic Wastes (Computers, TV's, Microwaves, etc, etc). Behind LV Fire Station, 33269 Old Woman Springs Road. For info call 1-800-OILY CAT.

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