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Program and Meeting

Мау 18, 2022—11:30 А.М.



Hobge's Restaurant

1101 Shoreway Road Belmont, California

MEET OUR SPEAKERS



Jonathan Madison

A Northern California native, Jonathan Madison is a local small business owner, attorney, and columnist. He is running for Congress from California's 9th congressional district.

Jonathan graduated Magna Cum Laude from Howard University in 2011, simultaneously interning with members of Congress. He then served in a professional policy staff position during the 112th Congress. In 2016 he graduated from the University of San Francisco School of Law, during which time he also clerked at Fried & Williams LLP and Wells Fargo's Legal Group.

He then joined Fried & Williams, eventually opening his own practice, the Madison Firm, where he provides legal assistance in estate planning, landlord-tenant and appellate matters, and civil litigation.

In 2019, Jonathan and his family founded the nonprofit Mercy Seat, created out of a six year prison ministry that serves and feeds inmates in local county jails.

He has appeared on numerous national and local network news programs, including Fox, KRON, and KTVU.

Arina Merkulova

Arina Merkulova describes herself as an American first, a conservative second, and a Republican third. She's been a Belmont resident for five years and is considering a run for City

Council there this year.

Arina is an ethnic Russian born in the former Soviet Republic of Uzbekistan. Along with her parents, she came to the U.S. as a refugee in the 1990s. At 18 she joined the Israeli Defense Forces and became one of its first female sharpshooters. She then attended Columbia University and now runs her own consulting business.

Her heritage and life experiences have all influenced her perspective as a conservative.

Arina's mother and grandmother remember the hardships endured in the U.S.S.R. "It was hard for me to fully grasp this," she says, "because I was raised in America—land of plenty." She says that she owes everything to her mother's decision to come to the U.S. "I was granted the...privilege to live in a country that has...provided more human freedoms than any other place."

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