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Barack Obama and Rudy Giuliani are the presidential candidates most likely to be the life of a party.

That's according to a survey that asked which candidates seem the most fun to be around. Still, the fun-alysis found that 39 percent of Americans think having a root canal procedure would be more fun than spending time with a politician.

Among the Democrat candidates, 27 percent said Hillary Clinton seemed the most amusing, while 19 percent chose John Edwards.

Fred Thompson was a runner-up for Republican hopefuls with 16 percent, and 14 percent of those polled said they wouldn't mind hanging out with John McCain.

The Ritz Fun-alysis telephone survey of 1,000 Americans, conducted by The Segmentation Co. on behalf of Kraft Foods Inc., found that 74 percent of Americans agreed the ability to have fun is an important quality in a president. Of those surveyed, 42 percent of Republicans said they have a lot fun each day, compared to 35 percent of Democrats.

TUE. 1/22 | CCOF ANNUAL MEETING, Asilomar Conference Center, Pacific Grove, Conference on Food Safety for Organic Production and Handling of Fresh Produce followed by summit. Viella, 423-2263, ext. 31.

THURSDAY 1/24 | MONTEREY PENINSULA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RIBBON-CUTTING, TFD Open Systems, 70 Garden Court, Monterey, 5:30 p.m. Free. 658-5356.

THU. 1/24 | MONTEREY BAY BUSINESS HALL OF FAME LUNCHEON, The Inn at Spanish Bay, 2700 17 Mile Dr, Pebble Beach, 11:30 a.m. registration, noon luncheon. 2008 Laureates: Sam Downing, Bert Cutino and Andy Matsui. \$75-\$750. Reservations required, Junior Achievement of Silicon Valley and Monterey Bay.

FRI. 1/25 | 14TH ANNUAL TRI-COUNTY ECONOMIC CONFERENCE, Embassy Suites, 1441 Canyon Del Rey Road, Seaside, 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. "California Climate Change Regulations: Impacts on the Regional Economy" with David Crane, special advisor to the Governor for Jobs and Economic Growth, and Assemblyman John Laird, 27th District. \$85. 883-3750.

MON. 1/28 | COHORT INFORMATION SESSION, Golden Gate University, 500 Eighth St., Marina, 5:30 to 7 p.m. Information on executive master of public admin-

istration program at campus. Free. Wanda, 884-0912.

TUE. 1/29 | SALINAS VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RIBBON-CUTTING, Flower Magik, 1091 S. Main St., Salinas, 2 p.m. Catering by Golden Star Catering/Old Town Cafe. 757-7287.

1/29-31 | UNIFIED WINE AND GRAPE SYMPOSIUM, Sacramento Convention Center, 1400 J St., Sacramento, Jan. 29-31, exhibits Jan. 30-31. www.unifiedsymposium.org.

SAT. 2/2 | CUBICLE YOGA, Pacific Grove Adult School, 1025 Lighthouse Ave., Pacific Grove, 10 a.m. to noon. Learn how to bring yoga into the workplace, adapt yoga poses to your desk. \$20. 646-6580.

SAT. 2/9 | THE BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY MASQUERADE MIXER, Sherwood Hall, 940 N. Main St., Salinas, 6 p.m. to midnight. Chicano All-Stars and DJ

Noel, silent auction, food and spirits, fashion show and art exhibit. SUBA presentation benefiting youth entrepreneurship programs. \$25-\$40, 21 and older. 796-0896, subadirector@sbcglobal.net.

2/12-14 | 2008 WORLD AG EXPO, International Agri-Center, 4450 S. Laspina Street, Tulare, www.worldag-expo.com, (800) 999-9186.

WED. 2/13 | SALINAS VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL AWARDS LUNCHEON, Sherwood Hall, 940 N. Main St., Salinas, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. \$30-\$40, reserve by Feb. 7. 424-7611.

THU. 2/14 | MTC TECHNET, Marina Technology Cluster, 3180 Imjin Road, Marina, "How this Local Entrepreneur Raised Millions in Private Funding" with George Sidman. 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. 582-9718.

SAT. 2/16 | MONTEREY WINE AUCTION AND

GALA, Carmel Valley Ranch, 1 Old Ranch Road, Carmel Valley, Denim and Diamonds theme. Featuring more than 15 winemakers and benefiting college scholarships for children of local ag employees, the American Vineyard Foundation, viticulture research at UC's Monterey outreach office and Monterey County Vintners and Growers Foundation. \$165. 375-9400.

TUE. 2/19 | DISNEY INSTITUTE'S KEYS TO EXCELLENCE PROGRAM, Monterey Marriott Hotel, 350 Calle Principal, Monterey, Full day of training. Monterey County Hospitality Association. 626-8636.

WED. 2/20 | IRRIGATION MANAGEMENT AND DISTRIBUTION UNIFORMITY ON HILLSIDES WORKSHOP, Olson Ranch, 35422 Paraiso Springs Road, Soledad, 9 to 11 a.m. Central Coast Vineyard Team. Kyle, (805) 369-2288, ext. 4.

SAT. 2/23 | KING CITY

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CITIZEN AND BUSINESS OF THE YEAR DINNER DANCE, Salinas Valley Fairgrounds, 625 Division St., King City, in Fair Grounds Pavilion. 385-3814.

2/24-26 | CALIFORNIA SMALL FARM CONFERENCE, Visalia Convention Center, 303 E. Acequia Ave., Visalia, Feb. 24-26. Speakers, exhibitors, short course, tours. Workshops for new farmers, Hmong-speaking farmers, Spanish-speaking farmers, farmers' market managers and experienced farmers. Scholarships available. (888) 712-4188, www.californiafarmconference.com.

SAT. 3/1 | CUBICLE YOGA, Pacific Grove Adult School, 1025 Lighthouse Ave., Pacific Grove, 10 a.m. to noon. Learn how to bring yoga into the workplace, adapt yoga poses to your desk. \$20. 646-6580.



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