

CORONADO DEMOCRATIC CLUB

JANUARY,

2014

www.coronadodema.com

Coronado Democratic Club Board of Directors

President

Judith Bambace
619 437-7169

Vice President

Jim Rosania

Secretary

Patti Flores Charter

Treasurer

Anne Irving

Member at-large

Jean Seager

Committees

Hospitality

Marilyn Lindsay
Connie Pinkus

Legislative

Ron Mandelbaum

Membership

Mercy Mandelbaum
Donald Fink

Newsletter Editor

Sylvia Silverman

Web Masters

Brian Canin
Harry Smith

Go-Team

GENERAL MEETING SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2014

FOOD BANK CEO TO ADDRESS DEMOCRATIC CLUB

The next general meeting of the Coronado Democratic Club will be held on Saturday, January 25, 2014 in the Winn Room of the Coronado Public Library. Refreshments and meet and greet will begin at 10:30 A.M. and our meeting will begin promptly at 11:00 A.M.

Our guest speaker will be Mr. James A. Flores, President and CEO of the Jacobs & Cushman San Diego Food Bank. This organization is the largest hunger-relief organization in San Diego County. Last year, the Food Bank distributed nearly 20 million pounds of food, and the Food Bank served, on average, 320,000 people per month in San Diego County.

Besides providing food to people in need, this Food Bank also connects the people they serve to a range of health and human service providers. They advocate for the hungry and educate the public about hunger in our community.

Many people in Coronado would be hugely surprised to know how many military families are served by the Food Bank. This organization serves, on average, more than 28,000 low-income military personnel and their dependents every month in this area. This past fiscal year, 2012-2013, the Food Bank distributed 470,447 pounds of food through nonprofits that serve military families.

Let's demonstrate Coronado's support for our military friends and neighbors by donating food to this worthy organization. Any nonperishable food you wish to bring to the meeting would be greatly appreciated.

For more information, please call 435-1911.

DECEMBER HOLIDAY PARTY

Blustering wind and rain could not keep many of our hardy members away from our holiday party in the Cays last month. The attendance was smaller than usual, but all who attended enjoyed themselves. There was time to visit with old friends, make new ones and to have some good political discussions. Several lucky members left with very nice raffle prizes.

Our Co-chairs, Bob and Edry Goot went all out to make it an enjoyable afternoon for everyone and they succeeded in that endeavor. Thank you Bob and Edry for taking the time from your busy schedules. Your enthusiasm and hard work in putting the event together was evident, and you did a splendid job.

President's Message

Welcome to 2014. On behalf of the Board, I wish all of you good health and much happiness in the New Year, and I thank you for being a member of the Coronado Democratic Club. Without your support, we could not continue to advance the values and ideals that we, as Democrats, believe in. So, be sure to renew your membership!

This year promises some real challenges on the political front, including one of the toughest races nationwide: Congressman Scott Peters' bid for reelection in California's 52nd District. Speaker Boehner and national Republicans have targeted his campaign with vicious attacks. But the truth is, and Rep. Peters' record proves, that he believes every American deserves "a government that works for them and gives a clear path to economic growth, not a series of politically generated, manufactured crises." He has fought tirelessly in Congress for immigration reform, seniors and veteran's issues, fiscal responsibility, health care, and energy and the environment. We need to help Congressman Peters get the facts out to voters and support him in every way so that he can defeat Carl DeMaio, the man who called the Ryan Budget and its devastating cuts "a starting point;" who called Ted Cruz a model legislator on the day the government shutdown began; who twice voted against benefits for widows and orphans

of slain police officers; and who earned a reputation (as noted in the *Union-Tribune*) of being “too polarizing” and “divisive.” Many of us worked hard to get Congressman Peters elected, and we simply can’t afford to return to the days of Bilbray and other incompetent clowns.

I look forward to seeing you at the January 25th general meeting.

Judy Bambace

CORONADO HIGH SCHOOL

STUDENT AWARD

There is a Democratic Club at Coronado High School, and the Coronado Democratic Club Board of Directors has approved an award to be presented to one of the students.

The students seeking the award will write an essay and then be interviewed before a winner is selected. The award will be \$500.00.

At the January general meeting our members will be asked to approve this new program.

IT’S THAT TIME AGAIN!

Another year has passed and it is time once again to renew your association membership. In other words your Dues Are Due. It surely is true that “time flies when you’re having fun” or when you’re involved in keeping your club strong and vibrant. Your support is truly appreciated. Our club dues are important for many reasons, some of which include the purchase of supplies, helping to cover the cost of our web site, special projects and events, gifts or presentations. Equally as important, a large membership is an indication of how strong we are as a club. This last is especially invaluable when finding speakers for our meetings and when dealing with other clubs.

Our membership year runs from January 1st to December 31st. Please fill out the membership application found in this newsletter or the one in the mailing you recently received from the club. Send it along with your check as soon as possible. Consider volunteering for any of the

listed areas, we are always in need of help. If any of your personal information, (email address, phone number etc.) has changed please bring that to our attention, since we want to be sure to keep you in the "information loop".

If you have questions or want additional applications for your family or friends please email Mercy Mandelbaum at ycrem613@gmail.com or call 435-1911.

SAVE THE DATE: MARCH 22, 2014
ANNUAL DEMOCRATIC LUNCHEON

Coronado Democratic Club Membership Application

New_____ Renewal_____

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ Phone(H)_____ (W)_____

Email_____

Annual Dues: Individual \$20.00_____ Family \$30.00_____ Sustaining \$35.00+_____

Additional donations toward: July 4th Parade \$_____ Special Events \$_____

We always need volunteers. In an effort to identify members who are interested and able to help now and then we would like to know who you are and what you might be interested in doing. Please check the spaces below. We need help with: General Meetings (usually every other month) setup and/or tear down___, Voter registration___, Precinct walking___, The March Luncheon___, 4th of July Parade___, December Holiday Party___, Special Events___, supplying refreshments for General Meetings or special events___. Also, are you are interested in joining a standing committee___ or becoming Board member___? How did you hear about our club?_____

Please mail this completed form and your payment to:
Coronado Democratic Club, P. O. Box 18-1351, Coronado, CA 92178-1351

GO TEAM LEADER STILL NEEDED

Our Democratic Club needs a new Community Coordinator for the Grassroots Organizing Team (GO Team). The GO Team is extremely important in winning elections. Our Club has been part of the GO Team for six years. If you were a member of the team in the last election –

and many club members were - you know how significant your actions were in electing so many Democrats to office.

The new Community Coordinator will be responsible for recruiting GO Team volunteers and for providing the volunteers with materials, instructions and support. The coordinator receives training and support from the San Diego County Democratic Party. It's a very rewarding job, and although the election is still a year away, putting a Community Coordinator in place now is very important. Jean Seager, past coordinator says, "The support from the county party was amazing. Every time I had a question, they had an answer."

If you are interested in filling the position, please contact club president Judy Bambace: jmbambace@aol.com or 437-7169 or Jean Seager: jhseager@gmail.com or 435-8130. Jean will help you in any way she can. She has a precinct map of Coronado, lists of past GO Teamers and expertise that she is happy to pass on. The community coordinator for the GO Team serves as a member of the Coronado Democratic Club Board and thus helps guide the club's activities.

Please consider taking on this job. As Teddy Roosevelt said, "The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena."

COMING EVENTS

January 25, 2014 General Meeting – Food Bank CEO
Bring nonperishable food to donate!
Coronado Library-Winn Room - 10:30 eat 'n greet, 11:00 meeting

March 22, 2014 Annual Democratic Club Luncheon - SAVE THE DATE

ELECTED OFFICIALS' INFORMATION

President Barack Obama
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
Washington, D.C. 20500
Comments: 202-456-1111
<http://www.whitehouse.gov/contact/>

Senator Dianne Feinstein
750 B Street, Suite 1030
San Diego, CA 92101
619 231-9712 Fax 619 231-1108
E-mail senator@feinstein.senate.gov
Website www.senate.gov/feinst

State Senator Marty Block
701 B Street #1840
San Diego, CA 92101
619-645-3133
senator.block@senate.ca.gov

Senator Barbara Boxer
600 B Street, Suite 2240
San Diego, CA 92101
619 239-3884 Fax 619 239-5719
E-mail – senator@boxer.senate.gov/home.html

Congressman Scott Peters
52nd Congressional District
4350 Executive Drive, Suite 105
San Diego, CA 92121
858-455-5550

Assemblywoman Toni Atkins
1350 Front Street Suite 6054
San Diego, Ca 92101
619- 645-3090
assemblymember.atkins@assembly.ca.gov

Cancer Physicians Campaign to Make Lifesaving Medications More Affordable

One hundred cancer specialists from around the world have banded together in support of an important cause: protesting the extremely high cost of many drugs used to treat cancer. Currently, the cost of some cancer drugs is over \$100,000 a year. According to the doctors, these drugs can make a huge difference in patient outcomes but are often unaffordable. The physicians also point out that the drugs are priced much higher than they need to be for pharmaceutical companies to turn a reasonable level of profit, and that the companies have crossed the line into exploiting patients. To read a *New York Times* article about the story, go to <http://tinyurl.com/bnofsj7>.

Coronado Democratic Club

P. O. Box 18-1351

Coronado, CA 92178

