



Dan McAllister
San Diego County
Treasurer &
Tax Collector

**GENERAL MEETING
MAY 5, 2015 7:00**

- Re-elected to his third term in June 2010 by 78% of voters
- Responsible for the collection of \$4.6 billion in property taxes
- His office manages \$7 billion of County's Investment Pool
- As a member of the San Diego County Employees Retirement Association he manages investments of approximately \$8.3 billion
- Former chairman of the Board of the Convention Center Corporation
- Chair of the San Diego Unified School District's Special Audit and Finance Committee
- Member of the Boards of Directors of the Jackie Robinson YMCA and Multiple Sclerosis Pacific South Coast Chapter
- President of the Board of Mental Health America San Diego

The next meeting of the Coronado Democratic Club will be held on Tuesday, May 5 at 7:00 PM in the Winn Room of the Coronado Public Library. Dan McAllister, San Diego County Treasurer and Tax Collector, will be the guest speaker. Dan could not attend our January meeting, so it was re-scheduled for May 5th. Serving his fourth term in this position, Mr. McAllister is responsible for tax collection,

banking, investment, disbursement and accountability of public funds. He has many topics to share, including San Diego's current economic outlook, updates on the housing market and the impact of property taxes on our community.

In addition, the Club will discuss and possibly vote on some changes to our bylaws.

Please note that for this evening meeting, no refreshments will be served. As always, the meeting is free and open to the public. We look forward to seeing you there.

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**San Diego County
Democrats Pass First
Resolutions of 2015**

The San Diego County Democratic Central Committee has approved resolutions calling for overtime for in-home care workers, an environmentally-minded transportation plank in the State Party platform, and a ban on wild animals in traveling circuses. The resolutions will be submitted to the California Democratic Party for consideration at the State Convention May 15-17.



President's Message

Until recently each political party held a primary to determine the candidate to represent that party in the general election. Only registered Democrats or Republicans could vote for a candidate of their party.

Several years ago our legislature adopted what is known as an "open primary". In this new system all candidates are listed on the ballot. Voters, including independents (those not registered as a Democrat or Republican) are able to vote for any candidate of their choice. The top two vote getters then face off in the general election.

This system has created some unintended consequences. For instance, say you have what is considered a safe Democratic district, one where registered Democrats outnumber Republicans by a wide margin. Three or four Democrats enter the race as well as two Republicans. If the

Democratic candidates split the votes and enough Republicans and Independents vote for the two Republicans, they could wind up as the top two vote getters. You would then have two Republicans running against each other in the general election. The result would be a Republican representing a Democratic district.

The California Democratic Party is instituting an endorsement process that allows each Democratic Club to participate. To do this we must amend our club's bylaws. Below, in this newsletter you will find the proposed amendment. We must adopt this change in order to send a club representative to the pre-endorsement conference in January 2016.

We will be voting on this at our May 5, 2015 general meeting. Please read the bylaw amendment and if you have any questions, do not hesitate to call me.

- Ron Mandelbaum

Independence Day Parade Theme "America's Spirit"

Yes, it's time to mark your calendar to join your club in Coronado's 4th of July parade. When we participate in this city-wide event, we demonstrate to our community that there are many democrats here in Coronado and that we have an active, vibrant club. So plan now to be a part of this year's celebration. You, your family, and friends can join the fun on:

1. Bicycles, walking, children on scooters or wagons, etc.
2. We have electric cars and a convertible. We will supply the decorations. All you'll need to do is RSVP your participation and then pick up festive 4th decorations during the week before the parade at 442 I Ave, Coronado.

You will receive an email with the location and time that we'll meet prior to the parade.

On parade day we encourage everyone to wear any past Democratic Club tee shirt you may have, whether you are in the parade or a spectator. So get out those old shirts and get them ready for the big day. Further details will be forthcoming. If you need to ride in a car, want to RSVP, and/or have questions, contact Patti Flores-Charter at (H) 437-1952 (C) 206-7450 or ccnado@san.rr.com

Proposed Bylaw Amendment

ARTICLE – CLUB REPRESENTATIVES

SECTION 1: California Democratic Party

Club representatives to the California Democratic Party's Pre-Endorsement Conferences shall be allocated as follows:

One representative, resident in the Assembly District, for each full (not fraction thereof) 20 registered Democratic members in good standing in the Assembly District who are listed on a roster submitted, by July 1 of each odd-numbered year, to both the San Diego County Democratic Party and the appropriate CDP Regional Director(s). The roster shall be certified by the Club's President, Secretary, or Treasurer.

Representatives should be equally apportioned between men and women to the extent possible.

SECTION 2: San Diego County Democratic Party

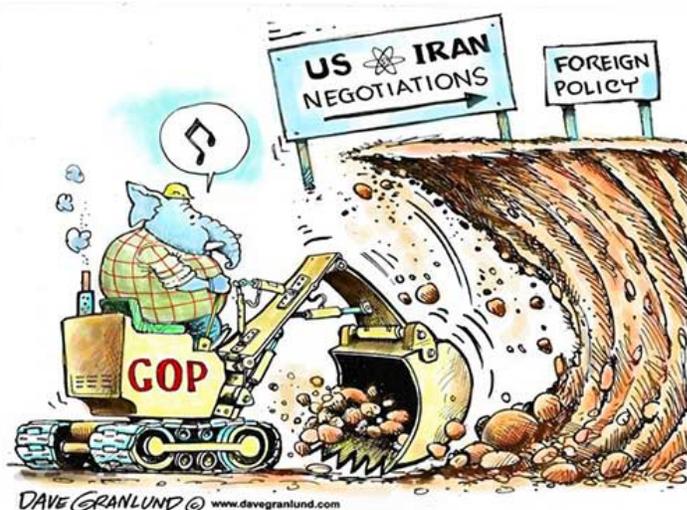
Under the club's charter with the San Diego County Democratic Party, its President is a representative to the SDCDP Central Committee as an Associate Member. If the President is already a Central Committee member or chooses not to serve, a different representative may be selected to serve his or her term according to the provisions of Sections 3 and 4 of this Article. An Associate Member application, for the President or any other representative, must be submitted to the SDCDP within 30 days of his or her selection by the club.

SECTION 3: Selection

Club representatives to the CDP and SDCDP – and any other official representatives, delegates, and alternates from the club to conferences, caucuses, councils, conventions, and other meetings – shall be selected by a vote of members in good standing at a duly noticed club meeting or, if that cannot occur at a regular or special meeting, by designation of the President.

SECTION 4: Adherence to Club Positions

Club representatives described in this Article, when participating in voting and discussion in that capacity, shall adhere to and represent the club's official positions on endorsements and other matters wherever applicable, and shall agree to do so prior to their selection.



Announcements

MEMBERSHIP DUES

If you have received this newsletter it means you have paid your membership dues for 2015. Thank you very much for your support of our club. We need each and every one of you, especially now that the 2016 elections are fast approaching.

Reach out to your friends and family and encourage them to follow your example by becoming club members and getting active in the democratic process. We are going to need all the help we can get .

An application form is included in this newsletter. If you need more, or have questions, please contact Mercy Mandelbaum at ycrem613@gmail.com or 435-1911.

'THE BURDEN, Fossil Fuel, the Military and National Security' screening May 6th

THE BURDEN is the first documentary of its kind to tell the story of our dependence on fossil fuels as the greatest long-term national security threat confronting the U.S, and how the military is leading our transition away from oil. The troops are crying out, in the words of Gen. James Mattis, "to unleash us from the tether of fuel." But is Congress listening?

We are fortunate that this documentary will be screened on May 6, 2015 in the Nautilus room, Coronado Recreation Center, 1845 Strand Way, Coronado, CA. The event will begin at 6:30PM with the film starting at 7:00PM

(running time 40 minutes) followed immediately by a panel discussion and Q & A, likely lasting 20 to 30 minutes.

Panelists include: Rear Admiral (ret.) Len Hering Executive Director of Center for Sustainable Energy, former Gunnery Officer and Nuclear Engineering Officer Andrea Marr and Mark Reynolds Executive Director of Citizens Climate Lobby. Coronado's Mayor Tanaka will be moderating. This event is sponsored by Citizens Climate Lobby.

You can view the movie trailer by going to: <http://www.theburdenfilm.com/trailer>

Coming Events

May 5, 2015

General Meeting 7:00 PM
Winn Room Library

May 6, 2015

Screening of film "The Burden" 6:30 PM
Coronado Recreation Center

July 4, 2015

Fourth of July Parade - see Independence Day Parade Theme "America's Spirit" article above

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