

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP
MEETING
JANUARY 14, 2017 11AM**

As we enter the era of a Trump presidency, it's time to consider which of his campaign promises he actually plans to carry out, and to think of those individual groups who are likely to be affected by the policies proposed by his new administration. It is in that spirit we have chosen the topics and speakers for our upcoming meetings.

Our first meeting of 2017 will be held on Saturday, January 14, in the Winn Room of the Coronado Public Library. Refreshments will be served beginning at 10:30 AM, with our Club business to begin at 11:00 AM.

The program on January 14 will feature as our speaker/discussion leader Hanif Mohebi, Executive Director of the Council on American-Islamic Relations, San Diego Chapter. He will lead a discussion of topics of interest to members of our Club; therefore, I ask our Club members to email me at franking48@gmail.com with the issues they would like Mr. Mohebi to address. I'll pass the



Hanif Mohebi, executive director of the San Diego office of the Council on American-Islamic Relations.

Photo by Chris Stone - Times of San Diego

most-frequently mentioned ones to him, so that they may be included in his prepared remarks, which will be followed by a discussion.

Please be sure to contact me with your questions and comments.

We are entering new and unfamiliar political territory in 2017; our Club hopes to make

it a little easier to navigate, so don't miss this interesting and important meeting!

I hope everyone had a happy holiday season!

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President's Message



My Republican friends insist that our country has the best health care system of all industrialized nations. However, by every metric, that assertion is incorrect.

Even though the U.S. is the only country without a publicly financed universal health system, it still spends the most

public dollars on health care. Despite having the costliest care, the U.S. ranks last among 11 industrialized countries on healthcare quality and access.

Would you believe that with the leading cause of personal bankruptcies, a full 42% is the result of medical expenses? Another mind-boggling statistic is that 78% of those declaring bankruptcy are people who have health insurance. What does it say about a national healthcare system that forces so many of its citizens to declare bankruptcy?

I was amazed to learn that we rank 53rd in life expectancy. How is it possible that people in

countries such as Bosnia, Jordan and Ireland live longer than we do?

My health provider is the federal government because I am on Medicare. It's a fine system that works well and is cost effective. At some point in the future our politicians will recognize that a single payer system for health care will not only cover all Americans but will be less expensive. Perhaps then we will live longer and not have to go bankrupt if we get sick.

- Ron Mandelbaum
619-435-1911



IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN *Mercy Mandelbaum*

It is hard to believe, but it is time to renew our association dues. As we've said before, "time flies when you're having fun". What we do may not always be fun, but it is extremely important and your support is truly appreciated. Our club dues are necessary for several reasons including the purchase of supplies, helping to cover the cost of our Webmaster, as well as special projects and events, gifts or presentations and most importantly to demonstrate how strong we are as a club. This last reason is especially important when finding speakers for our meetings and in dealing with other clubs.

Our membership year runs from January 1 to December 31. Please fill out the membership application found in this newsletter and send it along with your check as soon as possible. You can now also pay by credit card. Just go to our website: coronadodemocrats.com and follow the instructions.

If you have ideas for speakers or topics you would like to have presented at general meetings, please contact Frank King, at 619-992-8929, or any other board member with your suggestions. Also, please volunteer for one or more of the committees listed on our application. We are always in need of help.

Lastly, if any of your personal information, (email address, phone number etc.) has changed since

you filled out your last application please bring that to our attention, we want to be sure to keep you in the "information loop".

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

SAN DIEGO'S WOMANS MARCH – Saturday, January 21, 2017 *Judy Bambace*

Many women's groups across the country are organizing a "March on Washington" in January, and for those of you who want to participate, San Diego will have its very own. The event is a peaceful march, held in "love and light of unity and inclusivity," that sends a clear message to the new administration that women's rights are human rights. According to the organizers, "We are dedicated to a free and open society. Together we stand united in our respect for all people and we resist the marginalization of anyone. As a diverse, inclusive community of compassionate people, we seek to strengthen and continue our commitment to work for the protection of women's rights." The event is scheduled for Saturday, January 21, at 10 a.m. in downtown San Diego, starting at the Port Pavilion on Broadway Pier, 1000 N. Harbor Drive. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate. For more information, contact Judy Bambace at 619-894-1558.

CONGRATULATIONS TO JOHN LOUGHLIN

We are so pleased to announce that John Loughlin, a club member and Webmaster has been elected to be the next President of the Council of Clubs.

The Council of Clubs is made up of all the local Democratic Clubs in San Diego County. Most are geographically based like ours. Several are more specific such as the Democrats for Equality, Veterans, and others.

This group meets every month to help each other and discuss policy positions that are reported to the Central Committee of the County of San Diego.

We are sure John will be an exceptional leader in this important position. Congratulations John.

Announcements

INAUGURATION DAY Put Your Feelings to Good Use

As a protest to the election of Donald Trump, many have suggested we launch a general strike and boycott – a commitment not to go to work or buy anything on January 20 – as a show of our collective power in opposition to Trump’s extremism. But what if, instead of protesting in this manner, we did something positive and concrete (in addition to turning off our TVs)? Here is an idea about how to channel your post-election anger, sadness and fear into action that day: volunteer at one of these local organizations.

- Planned Parenthood of the Pacific Southwest (www.planned.org/volunteer)
- Anti-Defamation League (sandiego.adl.org)
- International Rescue Committee (volunteersd@rescue.org)
- Border Angels (www.borderangels.org)

Check out these and other amazing organizations, and call or e-mail them for an opportunity to truly make a difference on Inauguration Day and beyond. As President Obama recently said, “The best way to not feel hopeless is to get up and do something.”

COMING EVENTS

January 14, 2017

General Meeting
Winn Room, Coronado Library
10:30 Greet, 11:00 Meeting

January 20, 2017

Inauguration Day
Volunteer (see above)

January 21, 2017

San Diego Women's March
Contact Judy Bambace at
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Coronado Democratic Club Membership Application



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New member Renewal

Registered Democrat? - Yes

- No

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

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

Payment: Cash Check Credit/Debit Card

If paying by check please complete this form and mail it with your check to:
Coronado Democratic Club, P.O. Box 181351, Coronado, CA 92178-1351

If paying by credit/debit card please visit our website coronadodemocrats.com and follow instructions.

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.

General Meetings setup/tear down <input type="checkbox"/> (usually every other month)	Grassroots Organizing Team (GO Team) <input type="checkbox"/>
Voter registration <input type="checkbox"/>	Special Events <input type="checkbox"/>
Precinct walking <input type="checkbox"/>	Supplying refreshments for General Meetings or special events <input type="checkbox"/>
The March Luncheon <input type="checkbox"/>	Also, are you are interested in joining a standing committee <input type="checkbox"/>
4 th of July Parade <input type="checkbox"/>	or becoming a Board member? <input type="checkbox"/>
December Holiday Party <input type="checkbox"/>	

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