

GENERAL MEETING WITH ACLU

MAY 17, 2017 6:15 P.M.



The Club's next general membership meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 17 in the Winn Room of the Coronado Public Library.

This will be an evening meeting, which will begin promptly at 6:15 pm. Please plan on arriving by 6:00 pm so that we may have adequate time to conclude our business by 8:00 pm.

Our program will feature a speaker from the American Civil Liberties Union's advocacy department, who will discuss the ACLU's work about unconstitutional executive actions. For almost 100 years, the ACLU has worked to defend and preserve the individual rights and liberties guaranteed by the Constitution and laws of the United States. The ACLU has been increasingly busy in recent months, and we are privileged to have an

opportunity to learn more about its vital work.

We look forward to a most interesting program, and to our recognition of the important work that the ACLU does every day to protect the constitutional rights of everyone. To learn more about the ACLU, visit the website at www.aclu.org

I look forward to seeing you at the next meeting.

- Frank King



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President's Message



Nobody asked me but:

An overwhelming majority of climate scientists agree that global warming is happening and that human activity is the primary cause. Why is it that the handful of so-called scientific papers denying global warming is funded by the fossil fuel industry?

Nobody asked me but:

How could the vast majority of Evangelical Christians vote for a man who has been married three times, publicly had an affair while married and bragged about groping women's genitals (which is a crime). What happened to the party of family values?

Nobody asked me but:

A recent survey found that Norway is the happiest nation on earth. It is also one of the least religious countries where atheists outnumber religious people. The U.S. ranks 14th in happiness though we are one of the most religious.

Nobody asked me but:

The United States health care system consistently ranks last among industrialized nations. Our nation ranks highest in cost, lowest in terms of efficiency, equity and outcomes. Perhaps that is one of the reasons so many countries are happier than we are. (See Norway above)

Nobody asked me but:

Why do Republicans accept mandatory auto insurance but object to mandatory health insurance?

Nobody asked me but:

How could Donald Trump in the same interview state Susan Rice committed a crime with no

proof and also state he believes Bill O'Reilly is innocent of sexual harassment even though Mr. O'Reilly has settled allegations of sexual misconduct for millions of dollars with at least five women accusers?

Nobody asked me but:

Why do the Klu Klux Klan, white supremacists and other fringe hate groups love Donald Trump? What do they see in him? Is there a connection between the spike of hate crimes against Muslims and Jews since his election?

Nobody asked me but:

With all the chaos swirling around us, it is still wonderful living in beautiful Coronado.

- Ron Mandelbaum

Call to Action

Since the inauguration of President Trump, we Democrats have expressed outrage as the Trump administration attacked American values, institutions, and respected leaders. Many of us called our members of Congress. Others protested, wrote letters to the editor and posted our opinions on social media.

If we are to be effective in opposing this

administration, we must sustain or increase our activism. Beginning in April and once a month on the 20th of the month (since the 20th of January is the day Trump became President), the club will identify specific actions we can take to make our voices heard. These will be prescribed actions centered around specific issues. Watch your email on the 20th of every month for your chance to participate. Don't sit on the sidelines.

Go Team Chairperson Needed

The Go Team is made up of club volunteers who, prior to elections canvas their voter precinct and contact registered Democrats to answer questions and distribute voting recommendation materials.

The club extends a big thank you to Tom Bernitt, who ably and enthusiastically served as GO Team chair for the past several election cycles. Through Tom's efforts, our club put volunteers in many precincts in Coronado and helped elect Democrats to office. This work is vital to our mission. Tom is unable to continue in this position and the club is now looking for a new GO Team Chair.

Luckily for us, Don Fink will continue to use his expertise to compile the data gathered from the precinct workers.

The duties of the chairperson are as follows:

1. Connect with GO Team San Diego county/ attend meeting(s) and be the contact person between our club and the San Diego Democratic party's main office.
2. Plan/arrange kick-off meetings and any follow-up meetings as indicated.
3. Provide volunteers with instructions
4. Coordinate material handout
5. Work with Don Fink who is the data-guy. Help to get materials to him on time (includes dropping work sheets off at his residence)
6. Monitor progress throughout the election cycle
7. Understand how to work the GO Team website
8. Attend club board meetings to update board on GO Team progress

Should anyone be interested in this position, please contact Ron Mandelbaum at (619) 435-1911

Coronado's Annual Independence Day Parade

Theme "A Salute to America"

Yes, it's time to mark your calendar to join your club in Coronado's Fourth of July parade. When you 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 by:

1. Riding bicycles, walking (children on scooters or wagons are welcome)
2. Riding in electric cars or convertibles

We will supply the decorations. All you'll need to do is RSVP (see below) and then pick up the festive decorations during the week before the parade at 442 I Ave, Coronado.

You will receive an email with the location and the time 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. RSVP to Patti Flores-Charter at (H) 437-1952 (C) 206-7450 or ccnado@san.rr.com

We can't wait to celebrate with you in the parade on the Fourth!

Announcements

LENDING A HAND

The Coronado Democratic Club's collection of toiletries for Survivors of Torture, International was a big success. Thanks to the generosity of club members, we donated enough toiletries to fill two car trunks and more than \$250 in cash. Survivors is very grateful for these much-needed supplies.

Our next program will help refugees by delivering items to Jewish Family Service's refugee resettlement program. JFS is one of nine national refugee agencies that works with the U. S. Department of State, and since 2005, has resettled approximately 3800 refugees in the San Diego area. The program works with refugees of all religions.

Please bring the following donations to the Mandelbaum home 544 Glorietta Blvd. or to the next Democratic Club meeting on May 17 in the Winn Room. For large items or questions, contact Jean Seager 619 435-8130 or jhseager@gmail.com. You can access more information about JFS by visiting their website at jssd.org

- Toiletries - shampoo, conditioner, body wash, men's and women's razors, hand soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, mouthwash, feminine hygiene products, lotion, and Q-tips and especially toilet paper.
- Baby items - diapers, baby clothing, bibs.
- Cleaning supplies - dish soap, bathroom/kitchen cleaner, sponges,

cleaning rags, paper towels, laundry detergent, wastebaskets, mops, brooms, buckets, trash bags, trash cans.

- Furnishings - kitchen/dining table with chairs, pots/pans, dishes, utensils.
- Gift cards - preferably Walmart or Visa in any amount to be given directly to the refugees.

There are now more displaced persons in the world than at any time in history, including the era immediately after World War II. In the midst of the crisis, President Trump denigrates refugees and threatens to refuse them entry our country. These people have endured incredible hardship and have waited an average of 18 to 24 months for permission to come to America. Let's welcome them by lending a hand and donating supplies that will make their lives easier. Thank you.

COMING EVENTS

May 17, 2017

General Meeting - ACLU

Winn Room, Coronado Library
6:15 PM (NOTE DAY AND TIME CHANGE)

July 4, 2017

4th of July Parade
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