

**GENERAL MEETING
SEP 26, 2015 11:00AM**



Jessica Hayes,
Vice Chair SDCDP

The next meeting of the Coronado Democratic Club will be on Saturday, September 26 from 11:00 am to noon in the Winn Room of the Coronado Public Library. Our main speaker will be Jessica Hayes, Vice Chair of the San Diego County Democratic Party.

She will review the latest news affecting Democrats in our area and present opportunities to volunteer to support the Democratic Party in San Diego. Also on the agenda will be representatives from several

Democratic candidates, including supporters of both Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders. Each representative will speak and answer a few questions about their candidates, and share how our members can get involved with their campaigns. We expect a lively discussion of the issues and opportunities for the 2016 election.

Refreshments will be served starting at about 10:30 am.

As always, the meeting is free and open to all who wish to attend.

**4th of July:
America's Spirit**

By Patti Flores-Charter

You missed out if you weren't with us as we marched for our Coronado Democratic Club at the Annual Independence Day Parade. We showed them what America's Spirit is all about!

This year Courtenay McGowen hosted an amazing pre-parade decorating party and we were lookin' good! A giant thank you to Courtenay for her generosity and never-ending support for our club.

On parade day we again had the best mascot, our Democratic Donkey, and shocked many attendees with the club's presence and spirit. Kids just love that donkey.

Todd Gloria, candidate for state assembly, and Rafael Castellanos, candidate for San Diego City Attorney were a huge hit with the crowd. We were applauded constantly and given the "thumbs-up" all along the parade route. It was, in a word, inspirational.

This year there were many more locations along the parade route with announcers presenting our club's voice through this announcement:

The Coronado Democratic Club is proud to participate in honoring "America's Spirit". Our Democratic Club strongly supports our military, public schools, equality of all people, religious freedom, and our constitution. The Democratic Club continues to do its part to preserve and respect our natural resources and environment. The Democratic Club shares in your love of our country and the freedoms we stand for.

Participation in the parade is an amazing opportunity to present to our community our face and presence, and share in the celebration of our freedom.

If you missed out this year, not to worry, we'll be back again in 2016!



President's Message

When I was growing up, socialism was a dirty word. I was told it meant the end of freedom and the state would own all means of production.

A funny thing happened on my way to maturity. When I visited so-called socialist countries such as Norway or Sweden, I saw private industry and free people enjoying a good quality of life. What's going on? Why is socialism, even today, so frightening to many Americans? Social Security and Medicare are both socialistic programs but most people, Republicans included, want and are grateful for these programs.

In the 1920's the United States had an active Socialist Party & ran a candidate in the 1928 Presidential election. It may be hard to believe but their party platform that year has by and large been adopted and is a part of our national fabric.

Printed below is that platform and an explanation of each plank:

1 *"Nationalization of our natural resources, beginning with the coal mines and water sites, particularly at Boulder Dam and Muscle Shoals."* (Boulder Dam, renamed Hoover Dam, and Muscle Shoals are now both federal government projects.)

2 *"A publicly owned giant power system under which the federal government shall cooperate with the states and municipalities in the distribution of electrical energy to the people at cost."* (This is a generally accepted process across the country.)

3 *"National ownership and democratic management of railroads and other means of transportation and communication."* (Railroad passenger service is completely nationalized through Amtrak. Some freight service is nationalized through Conrail. Private railroads are strictly regulated by the Federal Government. The FCC controls communications by telephone, telegraph, radio, and television.)

4 *"An adequate national program for flood control, flood relief, reforestation, irrigation, and reclamation."* (Government expenditures for these purposes are

Coming Events Calendar

September 19

Coronado Beach cleanup - see announcements

September 26

General Meeting

10:30 am greet, 11:00 meet

Wynn Room- Library

Jessica Hayes

Meet the candidates

Save the Date

November 14

General Meeting

10:30 am greet, 11:00 meet

Scott Peters - Wynn Room

We hope to have Congressman Scott Peters join us at our November meeting to provide an update on his work in Congress and his reelection campaign for 2016.

currently in the many billions of dollars.)

5 *"Immediate governmental relief of the unemployed by the extension of all public works and a program of long range planning of public works . . ."* (In the 1930s, WPA and PWA were a direct counterpart; now, a wide variety of other programs are.) *"All persons thus employed to be engaged at*

hours and wages fixed by bona-fide labor unions.” (The Davis-Bacon and Walsh-Healey Acts require contractors with government contracts to pay “prevailing wages,” generally interpreted as highest union wages – also the national minimum wage.)

6 “Loans to states and municipalities without interest for the purpose of carrying on public works and the taking of such other measures as will lessen widespread misery.”

(Federal grants in aid to states and local municipalities currently total tens of billions of dollars a year.)

7 “A system of unemployment insurance.” (Part of Social Security system.)

8 “The nation-wide extension of public employment agencies in cooperation with city federations of labor.”

(U.S. Employment Service and affiliated state employment services administer a network of about 2,500 local employment offices.)

9 “A system of health and accident insurance and of old age pensions as well as unemployment insurance.” (Part of Social Security. Full global health insurance proposed widely.)

10 “Shortening the workday” and “Securing every worker a rest period of no less than two days in each week.” (Legislated by wages and hours laws that require overtime for more than forty hours of work per week.)

11 “Enacting of an adequate federal anti-child labor amendment.” (Not achieved as amendment, but essence incorporated into various legislative acts.)

12 “Abolition of the brutal exploitation of convicts under the contract system and substitution of a cooperative

organization of industries in penitentiaries and workshops for the benefit of convicts and their dependents.” (Partly achieved, partly not.)

13 “Increase taxation on high income levels, of corporation taxes and inheritance taxes, the proceeds to be used for old age pensions and other forms of social insurance.” (In 1928, highest personal income tax rate, 25 percent; in 2008, 35 percent, above 40 percent proposed by Obama; in 1928, corporate tax rate, 12 percent; in 2008, 35-39% percent with proposed increases by Obama; in 1928, top federal estate tax rate, 20 percent; in 2008, 48% with proposed increases by Obama.)

14 “Appropriation by taxation of the annual rental value of all land held for speculation.” (Not achieved in this form, but property taxes have risen drastically.)

- Ron Mandelbaum



Announcements

Volunteer Opportunities for Coronado Democrats

As a way to demonstrate our true colors by helping others, your Board has identified two opportunities for Club members to participate:

1. It's a well-known fact that Democrats are for doing, and Republicans are for trumping, right? Well, here's your chance to show your true colors by doing a beach cleanup at our very own Coronado Beach. While the Donald flies to Iowa to eat chicken-fried Joni Ernst hog-bellies, you can stroll, drive, run or fly to the Nado beach and participate in the 31st Annual Coastal Cleanup Day.

<http://www.coastal.ca.gov/publiced/ccd/ccd.html>

Where: Near the Lifeguard Station off Ocean Blvd

When: September 19th

What time: 9 - Noon (but you can stay as long as you want).

What to bring: Nothing but a smile and a signed waiver (but your own bucket and gloves would be nice).

WAIVER AT THE END OF NEWSLETTER.

What to say: You're a volunteer for the Coronado Democratic Club

And if we get enough to gaggle, we'll even take a photo and send it to the Eagle-Journal and Trump, Inc. See you there!
Tom Bernitt 921-7224

2. On an as-needed-basis, volunteer as a group as phone bank operators for KPBS during its periodic pledge drives (radio and/or TV), usually two to three times a year, from 6-9 PM at the KPBS studios at SDSU. <http://www.kpbs.org/give/volunteering/> As we get closer to a specific event, the Club will publish timely sign-up announcements (see below). Contact Tom Bernitt at bernitt@aol.com if interested.

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WAIVER

I LOVE A CLEAN SAN DIEGO CLEANUP

31st Annual Coastal Cleanup Day – September 19th, 2015
WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND EXPRESS ASSUMPTION OF RISK
(READ CAREFULLY)

I, _____, HAVE READ AND AGREE TO EACH OF THE FOLLOWING TERMS:
I HEREBY RELEASE I LOVE A CLEAN SAN DIEGO (“ILACSD”) AND ANY OF THEIR SPONSORS, EMPLOYEES, OFFICERS OR AGENTS (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO COLLECTIVELY WITH ILACSD AS "RELEASED PARTIES") FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY OR RESPONSIBILITY WHATSOEVER FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH, HOWEVER CAUSED. I agree to release and waive any potential claim against State of California, California Coastal Commission, Ocean Conservancy, California State Parks Foundation, California Department of Parks & Recreation, California Department of Fish & Game, California State Parks, I Love A Clean San Diego, Cities of Oceanside, Carlsbad, Encinitas, Del Mar, Solana Beach, Mira Costa College, San Diego, Chula Vista, Imperial Beach, Coronado, National City, El Cajon, La Mesa, Santee, Poway, Escondido, Vista; County of San Diego, Mt Miguel High School, Trails Committee of San Elijo Hills, San Elijo Hills Community Association, Office of City of San Diego Council Member Scott Sherman, Mission Hills Town Council, Great Ecology, Harrah’s Resort Southern California, SEA LIFE Aquarium, Patagonia, Recreational Equipment Inc., San Diego Gas & Electric, San Elijo Lagoon Conservancy, AECOM, Sun Harbor Marina, San Diego Coastkeeper, Mission Beach Women’s Club, SeaWorld San Diego, National Charity League, US Navy, Birch Aquarium at Scripps, Boy Scouts of San Diego, Girl Scouts of San Diego, Surfrider Foundation San Diego Chapter, Dog Beach Dog Wash, RECON Environmental, San Diego Canyonlands, Friends of Ruffin Canyon, San Diego River Park Foundation, Friends of 47th Street Canyon, Community Housing Works, Friends of Cooper Canyon, LinhKieu Nguyen Family Clinic, Friends of Rose Creek, General Dynamics NASSCO, Groundworks San Diego, Rolando Park Community Council, CNATTU North Island, Lakeside’s River Park Conservancy, Wells Fargo, Tijuana River National Estuarine Research Reserve, WiLDCOAST, US Fish and Wildlife, Chula Vista Marina, Jackie Robinson YMCA, YMCA Camp Surf, BAE Systems San Diego Ship Repair, Port of San Diego, AMEC, Proyecto Fronterizo, Montgomery High School, DMAX Engineering, San Diego Unified School District, Mission Bay High School, Think Blue City of San Diego, Ralphs, The UPS Store Inc., Macy’s, Living Coast Discovery Center, Oceanforce Foundation, 22nd District Agricultural Association, Lincoln Military Housing, Urban Corps of San Diego, San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, Booz Allen Hamilton, Intuit, Bank of America, Dudek, Paradise Creek Educational Park, Evans Hotels, The Bahia, Vulcan Materials, Republic Services, Allied Waste Services, EDCO, Waste Management, Resource Conservation District of Greater San Diego County, Hornblower Cruises and Events, Rubios, Mikhail Ogawa Engineering, Karl Strauss Brewing Company, San Diego 6, Sony, Cox Communications, Friends of Tierrasanta Canyons, Nu-Way International Christian Ministry, Anheuser Busch, Crystal Geyser, Markstein Beverage Company, SANYO North America Corporation—a member of the Panasonic Group, 2 Legged Mermaid, MOE, Nordson Asymtek, Potter Junior High School, the Fallbrook Beautification Alliance, California State University San Marcos, Christian Fellowship Congregational Church, North County Lifeline, Geosyntec Consultants, Commonwealth Financial Network, Cubic Corporation, Escondido Creek Conservancy, Barber Tract Neighborhood Association, Brown and Caldwell, Tijuana River Valley Equestrian Association, Santee Lakes Recreational Preserve, IBEW 569, Seventy1 Environmental, OneSource Distributors, San Diego County Water Authority, Althea Technologies Inc., San Diego County Bar Association, (collectively referred to herein as the “Sponsors”), or any Event site captain, promoter or sponsor, and any of the other Released Parties for any injury, death or other damages of any kind that I may suffer as a result of my participation in the 2015 Coastal Cleanup Day (the “Event”). I understand that the Released Parties may not be held liable or responsible in any way for any injury, death or other damages that may occur as a result of my participation in this activity, or as a result of product liability or the negligence of any of the Released Parties, whether passive or active. I further agree to save and hold harmless ILACSD and the other Released Parties from any claim or lawsuit, including one for personal injury, property damage or wrongful death, arising out of or related to my participation in this activity. I certify that I am aware of the risks and hazards of participating in the activity including, but not limited to, the risks of possible injury, infection or loss of life as a result of contact with needles, condoms, metal objects, burning embers or other hazardous materials found at the cleanup, or from over-exertion, environmental conditions or hazards including dangerous or poisonous plants, reptiles or other animals. Understanding all such risks or hazards, by participating in this activity, I agree that I voluntarily assume such risks and I agree to release ILACSD and the other Released Parties from any responsibility or liability whatsoever, whether such risks or hazards are foreseen or unforeseen. I agree I will only perform tasks that are within my physical capability, and I promise I will not undertake any tasks that are beyond my ability. I agree I will be familiar with the safe operation and use of all equipment and tools that I may utilize during the activity, and I will not undertake to use any equipment or tools with which I am unfamiliar or that I do not know how to operate safely. I acknowledge that I have received appropriate instruction regarding this Event, including appropriate safety and emergency procedures, and that I fully understand those instructions and that I agree to use only the supplies, tools and equipment provided by the Event organizers. I know of no physical limitation which should keep me from undertaking the activities associated with this Event. I agree I am volunteering my services for the Event as an independent volunteer, without anticipation of payment of any kind. I specifically acknowledge that I am not acting as an employee, agent, official, officer or representative of ILACSD or any of the other Released Parties, and I further acknowledge that I am not entitled to any compensation, benefits or insurance coverage, nor will I make any such claim. I agree that any dispute involving this agreement, ILACSD or the other Released Parties will be resolved pursuant to California law, within San Diego County, California. I further declare that I am over the age of eighteen and legally competent to sign this liability release, or that I have acquired the written consent of my parent or guardian. I understand that the terms herein are contractual and not a mere recital, that this instrument is legally binding, and that I have signed this document of my own free act. I agree to allow my image to be used in published materials and web sites that promote the programs of any of the Released Parties. I HAVE FULLY INFORMED MYSELF OF THE CONTENTS OF THIS LIABILITY RELEASE AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK BY READING IT BEFORE I SIGNED IT ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY HEIRS.

Spelling of Participant's Name: _____ Phone _____
Address: _____

Signature of Participant Date _____

Email Address (to receive volunteer email opportunity updates) _____
IF PARTICIPANT IS UNDER 18, THE PARENT(S) (OR GUARDIAN(S), IF ANY) MUST SIGN.

The above participant has my permission to participate in the Event. I have read and agree to the provisions stated above. I know of no health limitations which may restrict this volunteer's participation in this activity.

Signature of Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s) Date _____ Phone _____

_____ Email Address (to receive volunteer email opportunity updates)

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