

# La Jolla Democratic Club *Dec., 2013*

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## 2013 Officers:

President - Derek Casady, 858-457-0246 , VP of Communication - Carolyn Shadle, Secretary - Michelle Marzullo, Treasurer - Nancy Casady, VP-at-large - Jerry Wanetick, VP-at-large - Jim Evans, VP-at-large - Suzie Ditmars, VP-at-large - Michael Thomason, VP Democratic Professional Club Focus Group - Roger Quesada, Webmaster - Ann Kennedy



## December Meeting will be

**Sunday, Dec. 15, 2013, 2-4 p.m.**

**Where:** The Jack Patton Community Room, White Sands Senior Community, 7450 Olivetas Avenue, La Jolla CA 92037  
(Enter the driveway SOUTH of Pearl.)

**What:** Pot Luck. Turkey sandwiches will be provided, along with wine, beer, soda and plates, cups, napkins and utensils.

**\*YOU** bring vegetable dish, salad, dessert, rolls or chips to share.

**PROGRAM:** Mayoral candidate David Alvarez will be present.

**We will have election of 2014 club officers and lots of time for networking and enjoying the holidays.**

**COST:** \$15 plus a dish to pass (or \$20 without a dish\*).

You will also have an opportunity to pay your 2014 dues at the discounted rate of \$15/individual or \$25/couple. (After the party, dues will be \$20/individual, \$30/couple, \$50/Sustaining, \$100//Patron, \$5/student)

**RSVP to [LJDems@gmail.com](mailto:LJDems@gmail.com) (and indicate dish or no dish).**

*"The test of our progress is not whether we add more to the abundance of those who have much, it is whether we provide enough for those who have little."*

*Franklin D Roosevelt*

*Action is possible on any item contained in this newsletter.*

## Nominations for 2014



Jim Evans, Peter Marto and Carolyn Shadle were selected as the Nominating Committee to present a slate to the membership at our November meeting. The slate includes:

President - Derek Casady

Vice President - Carolyn Shadle

Secretary - Michelle Marzullo

Treasurer - Nancy Casady

Nominations from the floor will be welcome. Members will vote on the final slate at the December meeting.

*We can have democracy in this country, or we can have great wealth concentrated in the hands of a few, but we can't have both.*

*Louis D. Brandeis*

## San Onofre Update

In mid-November, two administrative law judges agreed that ratepayers are due a refund from Southern California Edison because of unsound decisions the utility made in May 2012 --the date Southern California Edison should have known that both units 2 and 3 would not likely return to normal operation due to unprecedented tube wear in the steam generators. The refund, in the amount of 94 million dollars, is derived from over-collected funds after May 2012. Additional decisions are pending regarding further refunds for ratepayers who have been charged for replacement power costs during San Onofre's long shutdown. The California Public Utilities' five commissioners will make their decision on December 19, 2013.

— Nancy Casady

## The News in Verse

by John L. Meyer

### More Than 12 Years of Slavery A Thanksgiving Prayer

We thank thee, universal powers that be, for our minorities  
Who one day may be our majorities.  
And pray that they may treat us better  
(And become forgiving "betters")  
Than we treated them, when they were in fetters.

## TPP – Trans-Pacific Partnership and the Future of America

### Opinion and information piece by Vera Moltd

*On July 2, 2012 Carol Heasley and Vera Moltd participated, with the Occupellas, as delegates to the TPP (Trans-Pacific Partnership) conference. After singing their songs protesting the TPP, the IP and Labor negotiators and spoke with their group. Vera has written an opinion piece which expressed their concerns. An electronic copy was sent to members on the email list. If you did not receive it or wish it resent, contact the LJDC newsletter editor at [LJDems@gmail.com](mailto:LJDems@gmail.com)*



## Fracking

*At the November LJDC meeting Peg Mitchell provided a power point presentation on fracking.*



## What Can We Do?

- Support any action demanding a ban or a moratorium in California.
- Support SanDiego350's efforts to urge the city councils of the 18 cities within San Diego County to pass a resolution urging Jerry Brown to ban fracking. Contact me at [Lionhouse75@gmail.com](mailto:Lionhouse75@gmail.com) if you wish to be involved for your city. Current plans are to approach Carlsbad, Solana Beach (Clean and Green Committee), Chula Vista, Encinitas to start.
- Help us lobby the County Board of Supervisors for a moratorium on fracking. Initial discussions underway with Dave Roberts.
- Demand Congress institute a Carbon Fee and Dividend form of Carbon Tax. See here: <http://www.citizensclimatelobby.org/>
- Sign up on DOGGR's listserv to be notified about public comment periods or hearings when new draft regulations are released. Subscribe here: <http://conservation.ca.gov/index/Pages/MailingLists.aspx>
- Sign and circulate the petition calling on the Governor to ban fracking (partnership of Food & Water Watch, CREDO, CBD, DFA and Enviro CA) <https://secure3.convio.net/fww/site/Advocacy?cmd=display&page=UserAction&id=193>
- Hold screenings of Gasland II with family/friends/social groups or clubs - released April 21
- Write letters to the editor to counter false promises, distortions and present strong alternatives. UT San Diego is extremely pro-fracking.
- Attend candidate forums in the upcoming election cycle and demand to know where they stand on fracking. If a Democrat, insist they adhere to the party resolution.
- Be aware and vote! Local levels are important, especially Water Boards, County Supervisors, Land Use roles on City Councils.

MEET AND GREET  
**Scott Peters, Congressman from the 52nd District and  
Congressman Ron Barber, from Arizona**



David G. Boss, Esq. and his wife, along with Ernesto and Rebecca Grijalva invite members of the La Jolla Democratic Club to a Meet and Greet:



Saturday, December 14, 2013  
4:00 pm to 5:30 pm.

at their home at:

6795 Via Estrada  
La Jolla, CA 92037

Scott Peters is our congressman from the 52nd District. Ron Barber is a congressman from Arizona, who took over for Gabby Giffords after the tragic shooting in Tucson. LJDC club members are invited to this unique opportunity to meet and discuss the issues with two members of Congress.

Emily Gray is with Ron Barber's re-election campaign and is helping coordinate the event. Contact Ms. Gray or David Boss, if you have any questions or concerns.

**David G. Boss, Esq.**

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and **Emily Gray** ([emily@ronbarberforcongress.com](mailto:emily@ronbarberforcongress.com))

**"Committee for the City," organized to support democratic principles in San Diego government, will meet next in January. Watch for further news.**

**"Neighborhood Development -  
What Can We Actually Do?"  
Panel Discussion**

**Tuesday, December 10, 2013  
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

Join Voice of San Diego for the "Neighborhood Development - What Can We Actually Do?" panel discussion on Tuesday, December 10, at the old Snowflake Bakery in East Village.

**Snowflake Bakery Building  
701 16th St  
San Diego, CA 92101**



The event, moderated by VOSD reporter Andy Keatts, will take a hard look at what the city can actually do in terms of policy to spur "neighborhood development" and how those actions may impact the array of diverse local stakeholders. Expect nothing less than a night of community-centric wonkery.

Confirmed speakers include:

- **Bill Fulton**, Planning, Neighborhoods & Economic Development Director for the city of San Diego
- **Georgette Gomez**, Environmental Health Coalition Associate Director
- **Kenneth Malbrough**, Encanto Community Planning Group Chair
- **Lloyd Russell**, noted local architect

Doors will open at 6:00, and the program will begin at **6:30 pm.**

The event is free for all current VOSD members; a **\$10** donation is requested for all non-members.

**Dues for 2014 (NEXT YEAR!!!) are now due.**  
Membership is on a calendar basis and is not prorated.  
Receive the monthly newsletter, help cover meeting costs and help get Democrats elected!

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_



Please print this form, fill in, and send with dues to:  
**La Jolla Democratic Club, P.O. Box 288 La Jolla, CA 92038**

LJDC Membership Annual Dues:  
\_\_\_\$20 Individual \_\_\_\$30 Couple \_\_\_\$50 Sustaining \_\_\_\$100 Patron  
\_\_\_\$5 Student

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
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Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Volunteer:** \_\_\_Phone \_\_\_Precinct Work \_\_\_Host Meetings \_\_\_Raise  
Funds \_\_\_Serve on Board

**Make your check payable to LJDC or La Jolla Democratic Club**  
*Dues are not tax deductible.*

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