

Next Meeting

There will not be a BCD meeting in July. Our next scheduled meeting is August 24, 2016

Therefore, **THE BCD WEDNESDAY, JULY 27th MEETING IS CANCELLED.**

I have consulted with all the local clubs and our Assembly District Democratic Congress about a Convention Watch Party, where we can gather together and enjoy this historic event.

The West LA Democratic Club/Drinking Liberally are having two events:

Location: The Gaslite, 2030 Wilshire Blvd., Santa Monica, 90403

The RNC Watch Party: Thursday, July 21, times TBD, but probably starting at 5PM, PDT

The DNC Watch Party: Thursday, July 28, times TBD, but probably starting at 5 PM, PDT

There will be free popcorn, and pizza will be ordered in, or you can bring in your own food. We will keep you updated as other events are scheduled.

Our next regular meeting will be Wednesday, August 24, at 7 PM. 710 Pier Avenue, Room #4, Hermosa Beach

Enjoy your summer and this glorious beach weather.

When we reconvene at the end of August, we will start our intense politicking for Hillary, Al and all the other Democratic candidates and ballot



Our new BCD President Bobbi Buescher with our illustrious Candidate Hillary Clinton

measures up for election in November. Our first event will be our Free Speech booth at Fiesta Hermosa over Labor Day, September 3—5.

Go Democrats...Hooray Hillary!!
Bobbi

DUES ARE PAYABLE

Our club year begins in July, which means that our yearly dues are due and payable now. Dues are \$25 for an individual or \$40 for a family. If you renewed in April, you are paid through June 2017.

You can pay online at: beachcitiesdems.org, scroll down just past the "welcome to our home page" on the left side column and click on the "Act Blue" button.

Or, pay by check to: Beach Cities Democrats, P.O. Box 2192, Redondo Beach, CA 90278

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Beach Cities Democrats,

I hope you had a fabulous 4th of July celebration with your family and friends.

I had out of town company, and while some of our party went to a LA Dodger baseball game (what could be more American) the rest of us spent a big portion of our day watching a multi episode docudrama about our eight year long War of Independence. We were the First Brexit!

It was completely enthralling. We all know the basics, but this series showcased many ordinary people, young and old, whose individual contributions to the cause of freedom helped turn the tide, along with bad weather and good luck, at key moments during the long and grueling struggle.

I can't help but wonder what those Patriots, who endured the monumental chal-
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lenges of freezing winters with no coats or shoes, starvation and massive casualties year after year, would think if they could see the state of our country and what passes as our political life today, 240 years after their selfless sacrifices.

Congress under the Do-Nothing Republican rule has virtually stopped action on any meaningful legislation, impedes our President at every turn and spends its time on endless and costly investigations.

Meanwhile, mass shootings, police brutality and senseless retaliation, racism, immigration, terrorist attacks, poverty, homelessness, high cost of education, money in politics destroying our democracy....all these complex problems are facing us and nothing gets done except demagoguery because we are in an election year.

Those Do-Nothings and their ilk have exacerbated most of these issues by failing to do their jobs. And, their decades of refusing to harness the most radical and hateful instincts of their hordes have now brought us, to their horror, Donald Trump and his freak show.

Back in the City of Brotherly Love in 2016, Philadelphia, where it all began, we Democrats will meet to nominate and celebrate the most well prepared candidate and the First Woman ever, Hillary Rodham Clinton, to be President of the United States.

Our contribution, at this key moment in our history to the continuing cause of keeping our freedom, is for all of us ordinary citizens to work tirelessly to make sure that she is elected.

Bobbi Buescher
President, Beach Cities Democrats

June Recap

Courtesy of Secretary Thomas Kelleher

President Kathryn Campbell welcomed everyone, including first time guest Diane Honshell.

Officer Reports

President Kathryn Campbell expressed her approval of the nominees for next year's executive board.

Vice President Dency Nelson thanked participants at Fiesta Hermosa. He went on to talk about Al Muratsuchi's campaign against David Hadley for the California State Assembly, expressing his optimism about Muratsuchi's chances of winning.

Treasurer Edna Murphy presented the Treasurer's Report:

Federal Acct

Beginning Balance	\$2,829.00
Money in	\$170.00
Money out	\$40.00
Total Federal	\$2,959.00

State Acct

Beginning Balance	\$276.00
Money in	\$0
Money out	\$15.00
Total State	\$261.00

Secretary Thomas Kelleher talked about the importance of established parties in regulating national politics. The minutes he took for May's meeting were approved unanimously.

Reports from local electeds

Marc Sussman, from Al Muratsuchi's State Assembly Campaign, updated the room with new flyers from David Hadley's campaign and encouraged those present at the meeting to send him more of these flyers as we receive them. He also talked about the importance of volunteering for Muratsuchi's campaign.



Above: LACDP Chair Eric Bauman; below: Hillary Crosby, speaking on behalf of Kimberly Ellis. Bauman and Ellis are both seeking the office of State Democratic Party Chair.

Update on the CA and National Democratic campaigns: LACDP Chair Eric Bauman

LACDP Chair Eric Bauman began by discussing a study that the Republican Party funded to determine why they lost in the 2012 presidential election. The study found that in order to gain more widespread popularity, the Republican Party needed to stop insulting immigrants, women and homosexuals. He noted how drastically Donald Trump's words went against all of the changes that the Republicans would need to make in order to win a presidential election. He went on to discuss a variety of races within California, including Al Muratsuchi's bid for California Assembly.

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Endorsement vote for CDP Chair

LACDP Chair Eric Bauman, and Hillary Crosby – on behalf of candidate Kimberly Ellis – spoke to the members about their respective campaigns for California Democratic Party Chair. Bauman talked about his vast experience within the party, his support from other organizations and from unions, and his experience representing the party in the media. Crosby talked about Ellis’s vast experience with a particular focus on her progressive ideology and appeal to different demographics within the party.

The room voted to endorse Eric Bauman.



Outgoing President Kathryn Campbell gets a hug from Vice-President Dency Nelson, as the officers and members thanked her for her outstanding service to Beach Cities Democrats.

Annual Election of Officers

All four nominees for officer positions next year – President Bobbi Buescher, Vice President Dency Nelson, Treasurer Edna Murphy and Secretary Thomas Kelleher – were elected unanimously.

Old Business

President Kathryn Campbell informed the club that Unite Here was continuing to look into the unjust firing of workers at the LAX Crowne Plaza.

Shortly after the election, now-former President Kathryn Campbell turned the meeting over to new President Bobbi Buescher, congratulating her and echoing the sentiments of the members that Bobbi—a former BCD President—will be an outstanding leader.

Other New Business and Announcements

Members discussed a forum for homeless solutions in Los Angeles that took place the night after June’s meeting. Members were concerned that people had failed to talk about concrete solutions to homeless problems in the past.

The meeting was adjourned.

Al Muratsuchi Reception

A reception will be held to celebrate Al’s victory in the Primary and gear up to win in the General Election!

Special Guest Speaker will be Anthony Rendon.

Saturday, July 30, 2016
4:00 PM

Manhattan Beach, CA (location will be provided upon RSVP)

Suggested Contribution Levels:

- \$66 per guest
- \$500 Bronze Sponsor
- \$1,000 Silver Sponsor
- \$2,000 Gold Sponsor
- \$4,200 Platinum Sponsor

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