

Next Meeting

Wednesday, August 24, 7:00 PM
Hermosa Beach Community Center
710 Pier Avenue, Room #4
Hermosa Beach

While we are still finalizing our program, we will be discussing our fabulous, inclusive and uplifting National Convention in Philadelphia, where we nominated the most qualified person EVER, Hillary Clinton for President of the United States.

We will also have club endorsement votes for Water Replenishment District (Div.2) and LA County Judges.

This is our first post convention meeting and our opportunity to reach out to new people to help us elect Hillary and all of our Democratic candidates. With this in mind, **PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND AND BRING A FRIEND or 2** so we can organize and get everyone signed up to walk, phone and work for a **BIG BLUE DEMOCRATIC VICTORY** on November 8.

We also need volunteers **to work in our booth this Labor Day Weekend, September 3-5, at Fiesta Hermosa in Hermosa Beach.** It's always a fun time being with friends, talking politics with voters and people watching!

I want to welcome our new members who just signed up: Jason, Fernando, Jennifer and Mark. We're so excited that you have joined us and look forward to getting to know you and working together. Also, thanks to those members who have paid their 2016/17 dues. If you haven't renewed your membership yet, you can pay online at:

FROM THE PRESIDENT

"When they go low...
We go high".

Thank you Michele Obama! I was so proud of our wonderful First Lady on the first day of the convention in Philadelphia.

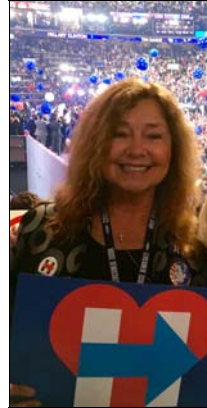
Not only does she have grace and intelligence but she has been a beautiful role model for the country and knows what she is talking about when she reminds us that our children are watching us.

Watching this bizarre campaign season has been hard on everyone, adults included!

I watched a lot of the Republican convention and didn't recognize the country they think we live in. I heard the hate and negativity in their message, that we are losers and our best days are behind us. And, the only way we will be able to turn this around and "make America great again", is if we elect Donald Trump. He ALONE can fix us.

Then I went to our Democratic convention and was truly uplifted by the positive energy, the soaring speeches and heart warming stories told by ordinary people.

I was thrilled to see my fellow



Democrats waving flags, cheering and showing the patriotism that we all feel so deeply in our hearts for our country. I was proud when our inspirational leader, President Obama said "America is Already Great! America is Already Strong!"

While I was in Philadelphia, I went to the National Constitution Center, where those three perfect words "We The People" are emblazoned on the front of the building and where our history is recorded and on display for us to see and marvel at the wonder that is the United States of America.

It's all of us together, the collective people, from the framers of the Constitution down these 240 years to us, the citizens of 2016. Hillary's campaign theme, "Stronger Together" crystallized for me how blessed we are to be Americans and the beneficiaries of the sacrifices of the past, who will elect a president to lead us into the future.

We must keep to the high ground as we endure this ugly campaign and the darkness that is Trump. We must work very diligently together to ensure that Hillary Clinton is elected, because she is the most qualified person ever to run for President, having worked her entire life to improve the lives of our people and she knows that no one can do it alone. "It Takes A Village."

Bobbi Buescher
President, Beach Cities Democrats

beachcitiesdems.org then 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, PO Box 2192, Redondo Beach, 90278. See you on the 24th with your friends!

Bobbi

Please sign up for a shift in our Beach Cities Democrats booth at Hermosa Fiesta, September 3—5. We will have flyers, bumper stickers and other swag to hand out, but most of all, we will have a presence in this popular venue to make our Democratic values known. We can sign up new Democratic voters and add new members to our club!

FROM OUR CONGRESSMAN
July 30, 2016 Press Release



**CONGRESSMAN TED LIEU RE-
SPONDS TO DONALD TRUMP'S
COMMENTS ABOUT GOLD STAR
FAMILY**

I had the great honor of meeting Khizr and Ghazala Khan at the Democratic National Convention last week.

We were all in the green room together waiting to speak at the Convention. If you are like me, you have been watching the news in amazement as the Republican nominee for President attacks anyone who disagrees with him - including the parents of a slain soldier and American hero.

That is why earlier this week I wrote a letter to the Speaker of the House with two other Members of Congress who like me previously served on active duty — Ruben Gallego (AZ) and Seth Moulton (MA). We called on the Speaker of the House to withdraw his endorsement of Donald Trump. Anyone who would attack Gold Star parents is not fit to serve as Commander in Chief of our Armed Forces.

We need your help to send a clear message to Speaker Ryan. Please visit our website to sign our petition calling on the Speaker to withdraw his support of Donald Trump.

Will you stand with us and call on Speaker Ryan to withdraw his endorsement of Donald Trump?

As always - thank you for your support.
Ted

Senior Advisory

I just came from a meeting at Southern California Association of Governments for the Senior Advisory. Seniors are the largest and growing segment of the population and yet we hear very little about senior issues. Let's change that.

Seniors vote, seniors volunteer and seniors with money donate. As our senior population grows and seniors are now reaching living to 100. What does that mean – More services, affordable medical, senior affordable housing, safe and walkable communities, safe and affordable transportation. Police and fire department services to know which seniors are living alone to watch over them especially in case of an emergency. Maintain our parks for senior for a healthier living experience especially for those with disabilities.

Cities need to go after grants to assist seniors wanting to stay in their own home rather than go to assisted living. Some seniors are house rich and cash poor. What does that mean for seniors wanting to stay in their own homes, grants to maintain the homes rather than go to assisted living? 85 per cent want to stay in their home but for those going to assisted living, we need to look at tax breaks since it costs over \$35 thousand a year or more to move into assisted living. Maybe tax breaks for seniors wanting to stay in their homes to help them out.

These issues need to be addressed now, not after the fact.

Best regards,
Isabel Rodriguez
Hermosa Beach Parks and Recreation
Commissioner

**Pictures from the
Convention**



Several BCD members, including our President Bobbi Buescher, attended the recent Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia. While we have had plenty of television coverage, there's nothing like first-hand experience, and President Bobbi reported that it was a thoroughly impressive event, making us proud to be Democrats!

She said that Michelle Obama's speech was extremely powerful, along with that of the Khan family, which was so moving it went viral soon after. We witnessed a different kind of energy from that of the earlier Republican Convention, leading up to a very possible Democratic victory in November.

It's important for all BCD members to pull together to make this a reality, and campaign headquarters for our Assembly candidate Al Muratsuchi and our Presidential nominee Hillary Clinton are conveniently located in and around the South Bay.



Beach Cities Democrats Executive Board members Edna Murphy, Treasurer; Jim McGreevy, Webmaster; Bobbi Buescher, President; Kathryn Campbell, past President; Dency Nelson, Vice-President; Moira Zucker, Newsletter Editor; Mark Drabkin, Database and Mailing; and Thomas Kelleher, Secretary. We met at the Hermosa Beach home of Dency and Moira Nelson on Sunday, August 14. Photo courtesy of Moira Nelson.

BCD Executive Board Meeting

Although we did not hold a regular monthly meeting in July due to the Democratic Convention, the BCD Executive Board, pictured above, met at the home of Dency and Moira Nelson on August 14.

President Bobbi Buescher chaired the meeting and the agenda included the following issues:

- Our BCD Website and other Communications
- Member Outreach
- Phone Banking for Hillary Clinton and Al Murastuchi
- Social Media Presence for BCD (Facebook, Twitter)
- Our presence at the LA County Fair and local fairs including Hermosa Fiesta

We discussed upgrading our Website platform to ensure that all potential members looking for a local Democratic club are able to easily find our site and get the information needed to contact us. We also discussed the need to staff our BCD booths at the upcoming Fiesta Hermosa—Labor Day Weekend—and the Manhattan Beach Hometown Fair.

We are hoping to find venues for Debate Watch parties so that local members and friends can gather together to watch the upcoming Presidential debates. Watch your email for updates!

It was mentioned that Al Muratsuchi now has a beautiful new Headquarters office near Western and Sepulveda in Harbor Gateway, and they are hoping to recruit even more volunteers to phone bank and walk to Get Out The Vote.

COMING EVENTS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, and EVERY FRIDAY from NOON to 4:00PM at the corner of 11th & VALLEY in HERMOSA BEACH it's the HB ROTARY CLUB SPONSORED FARMERS MARKET! Come load up on delicious fresh food for the weekend and enjoy the community ambience of this Hermosa Beach gem!

And a reminder to hold SATURDAY afternoon SEPTEMBER 17 from 2:00 to 6:00 for the HB COMMUNITY GARDEN fundraiser ART WALK, and SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, from 4:00PM to 6:00PM for the Fundraiser/Meet & Greet for our friend, AL MURATSUCHI for the 66th ASSEMBLY DISTRICT, right here at Moira's and my house on Silverstrand Avenue. Flier and details to come!

Dency Nelson

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