

Beach Cities Democratic Club



P.O. Box 2192, Redondo Beach, CA 90278

January, 2013

Next Meeting

Manhattan Bread & Bagel
1808 N. Sepulveda Boulevard
Manhattan Beach
Wednesday, January 23, 7:30 PM
Featured guest speaker:
Controller John Chiang
Program:
Prop 30 & the State Budget

President's Message

Just before the end of 2012, on a cold, windy Sunday evening, Ray Waters encouraged all of us to stand on Sepulveda Blvd. in Hermosa Beach – with candles – to honor the victims of the school shooting in Connecticut and to remind all that we need to reduce gun violence. Lots of people came to stand with us. We were there for about an hour and lots of people honked and waved in support. Thanks to Ray for organizing this!

And now we are at the beginning of 2013. Happy New Year! We have so many reasons to look forward to this year.

We started the year with our Holiday Celebration. Thanks to everyone who joined us. If you confirmed that you were coming but then weren't able to make it, please bring your check to the next meeting, as we had to pay the caterer.

There were lots of people at the party. Congresswoman Maxine Waters confirmed that she was coming but her GPS wasn't working correctly. Hopefully, she will be able to come to an event soon – since she now represents our members who live in Playa del Rey, Westchester and Torrance. Ted Lieu and Al Muratsuchi came — along with Bill Brand, City Council, Redondo Beach and Jeff Duclos, Mayor, Hermosa Beach. Sheila

Michelson, President of the Westchester Dem Club, joined us as well. Thanks to Tony Hale and Varo Asorian for subbing for Lee Fink in the auction.

Several of us are going to the Inauguration, which will be on January 21st so watch for us!

There are elections in our local cities in March and we can anticipate that candidates may come by to meet people in the club at our January and February meetings. This may be a good time for you to meet Democratic candidates in our local elections.

The 66th AD Endorsement Committee and the Los Angeles County Democratic Party have endorsed the following:

Bill Brand – Redondo Beach City Council, District 2

No endorsement – Redondo Beach City Council, District 4. There are 3 Democrats running.

Finally, I hope you are looking forward to our program at the next meeting. As you know, we passed Proposition 30 in November. And there has already been a positive impact on our state budget. John Chiang, our State Controller, will join us to discuss Prop. 30 and the state budget going

forward. His presentations always improve our financial literacy!

Looking forward to seeing you on Wednesday, January 23rd at Manhattan Bread and Bagel.

Warmest regards for a healthy and happy year in 2013!

Diane Wallace



Scenes from the Party
BCDC members gathered at the lovely Hermosa Beach home of Ray and Carol Waters for our annual January celebration. We enjoyed a wonderful catered dinner and lots of good company, and raised some funds at our customary White Donkey auction.

Photos courtesy of Diane Wallace

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