



**DN38, (Democratic Neighbors of the 38th Assembly District)
Wednesday, June 24, 2009
Coco's in Mission Hills (SFV)**

Convened: by Carole Lutness at 7:05 p.m.

Sherryan Lima, Guest speaker:

Spoke on Obama's ongoing program; she is asking for volunteer, and as an intern herself is willing to help us in any number of ways Her contact info: 661 263 0304 (h); 661 313 7344 (c); E-mail: sherryanlima@yahoo.com



In Attendance: Michael Kulka, Marcia Schneider, Kristin Ingram-Worthman, Michael Cruz, Minerva Williams, Todd Hoover, Rosalind Scarbrough, SherryAn Lima, David Lutness, Carole Lutness, Lynne Plambeck, and Rosemary Jenkins

Minutes: approved as read (on line)

Treasurer's Report: in absence of our treasurer, about \$900+/-

Old Business:

Voter Registration: not done in June because state budget issues took precedence (Waxman doing Healthcare Forum on July 11)

VR set for July 18 from 10-12 a.m. and 12-2 p.m. in Sunland-Tujunga area (Marcia will look into location)

Minerva will contact local churches to get parishioners to register after services; she will also ask members if they are interested in starting a Democratic club

Carole will contact the 7-8 people in the 210 Corridor (who previously signed up to get involved in a club) to let them know we have not forgotten them; we shall also ask them to help with VR (Minerva has done extensive research into churches and contacts)



African-American Outreach: Rosalind and Minerva will continue to help in this area;

will contact Democrats in Black Chamber of Commerce in Santa Clarita for involvement

New Business: DN38 must drop 4th of July Parade involvement--since there has been low response

Make A Difference Day

The national day to help others October 24, 2009, the 19th annual Day



We must reserve **Make-A-Difference Day** in October

http://www.usaweekend.com/09_issues/090419/090419diffday-cover.html
on a Saturday.

Remember October 4 is DADI's annual event/fundraiser in tribute to Disability Month

Santa Clarita Democrats' Picnic in September or October, Bruce McFarland is heading up this event.

Mike Cruz candidacy for Newhall Water Board

he needs our support to get votes (current board members have been derelict according to Cruz)

he is running on policy to *reduce, reuse, recharge*

--reduce water usage by 10%, thus reduce cost by 15%

--greater use of gray water

Prop 50 funds were paying for some plumbing issues (like free toilet installation for poorer people) but those funds have been frozen

he is apprehensive about building in flood plains

Cruz is educating himself on water issues/concerns

has been very active in community and feels he can be productive as water board member; president of a Democrats club in Santa Clarita; active in the local Jaycees; Calgrove community project; Hispanic organizations;

funding sources: unions (engineers/architects), local democrats

how to change status quo: a balancing act to support issues that reflect the conservation values

water treatment plant must remove chloride (state needs to share in the burden)such facilities must not affect avocado strawberry, etc. farms;

too much salt in the water

the election is in November so campaign will start after Labor Day;

DN 38 can do phone banking and walking;

Darren Parker is his campaign manager

bullet vote policy can work to get Cruz in

Announcements:

--**Healthcare/Single payer's educational session** in San Fernando Valley on Saturday, June 27, 2009, from 3:00 to 6:00

--**Healthcare/Obama Option Plan** phone banking at Marcia Schneider from 10 to 4 call (818) 426-8763; For Santa Clarita please call Barbara B. Wilson (661) 287-3813 and SherryAn Lima Landline (661)263-0304; Cell (661)313-7344 for time and location. Organizing for America (OFA) will be conducting health care survey to do 20 sites at markets, redline stations, etc through the next three months.

--**DAA on Thursday, June 25, 2009**, will have talk on budget cuts and their effect on students

--**Press Conference** with president of local CTA and others will meet at 11:00 am in front of Cameron Smyth's (minority whip) office on Thursday, June 25, 2009

CLUB COMMITMENT: We shall NOT take lying down the Republicans' vetoing all budget proposals; we want a balance of revenue enhancements with appropriate cuts (Republicans who won by a narrow margin will be targeted).

Adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Next Meeting:

**Caruso II on July 29 at 6:30 p.m.
for dinner (7 p.m. for meeting)
18340 Sierra Highway, off of
Soledad Canyon Road in Canyon
Country, 91351 661-251-8450,
for directions only please.**

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemary Jenkins
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Secretary



NOTE: For questions regarding the club please contact Carole Lutness, President at carolelutness@att.net or contact Rosemary Jenkins, Secretary wrfjenkins@aol.com

**PREVIOUS MONTH'S
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