



DN38 General Meeting
July 27, 2009
CARUSO'S, CANYON COUNTRY

pre-meeting (7:05 p.m.): announcements

RAM: Remote Area Medical (see hand-out)
Contact Robert Steele, Rosemary Jenkins' cousin involved with Doctors Without Borders) about this

HR3200 Americas Affordable Health Care Choices Act of 2009

1000-page draft of proposed House bill--combo of labor/ education and Commerce/ judicial committees

see handouts

we must call legislators to urge vote in support

E-Board meeting in Sacramento:

money has been put away for 2010 elections but costs \$300,000 a month to keep CDP afloat; CDP is broke now except for money set aside for elections
there is a good feeling that John Burton, *et al*, will accomplish a lot

anticipated projects:

overthrow the 2/3

challenge to open primary

working on Prop 11 redistricting plan--must protect our seats

elect democratic governor

clean money

census

FDR Dinner (at \$90 for LACDP members/\$95 for non-members) to honor volunteers

Will Carole Lutness run again for 38 AD?

a lot depends on funding commitments

state money needs to come earlier than end of race

Meeting convened by Carole Lutness: about 7:45 p.m.

since a quorum was not met, we discussed issues that did not require a vote

--can e-mail or phone conference be utilized to conduct business?

--after December 31, 2010, there will be redistricting

so DN 38 will disband in the form that it exists now and will have to re-form based upon new districts

Need to vote on the following at next meeting:

- Rosemary Jenkins seeking \$36 reimbursement for LACDP dues
- minutes from last month
- treasurer's report
- Truman Nominee [a committee (Kristin Ingram-Worthman, Lynne Plambeck, Minerva Williams) was set up to nominate an outstanding volunteer from our club; will meet at Barnes and Noble on August 1--must report back before August DN 38 meeting to be able to submit name/bio/picture on time]

Old Business:

Budget: Governor dramatically slashed more essential programs through line-item veto

State of California is not solvent
we need to fight to have big corporations and the rich to pay their fair share so that the poor are not further victimized by the cuts and the middle class will not have to shoulder an inordinate portion of the financial burdens from these cuts

VR update: no new voters were registered but 3 people signed up to be part of a new Democratic club we are trying to get started

perhaps next time we can register in front of movie theaters on a Friday or Saturday night in the 210 area

find a place/time: August 22, evening, perhaps at Multiplex--"hit" college-age kids who have not

voted before

then we can go to a movie afterward to enjoy the camaraderie within our group

The fall elections: GOTV

3 seats on Newhall Water Board

Mike Cruz running for one; need to find 2 more candidates to run

young Hispanic club

we are working on this with Jose Sandoval, president of SFV Young Hispanic Dems

we need to contact people who have been involved in the past to get them to come to meetings and be more involved on an ongoing basis

working with NAACP in SFV both with Golden State Jobs Coalition and DN 38

New Business:

Truman Award (see above)

SCV Democratic Picnic--early October

Wendell Potter (interviewed by Bill Moyers), former head of marketing for Cigna: whistle blower: could be our speaker
in lieu of a picnic
also the possibility of *Jerry Brown* coming to speak

Announcements:

Minerva: OFA (Organizing for America--an offshoot of the Obama election campaign network) is not as assertive as she might want; it is presently focusing on health care (conflict within OFA over single payer vs public option)
Minerva wants to get someone to speak to us on this issue

Rosemary Jenkins: DADI Birthday Bash on July 30 at 6:30 p.m. at State Building

Next meeting at Coco's, 10841 Sepulveda, Mission Hills, August 26, 2009, 6:30 p.m.

Adjourned: 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemary Jenkins
Secretary