

# La Jolla Democratic Club

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## December Meeting - the 3rd Sunday Join Fellow Democrats at the Annual Holiday Party and Fundraiser for the SD Central West Campaign Headquarters

Sponsored by the San Diego Coastal Coalition of Democratic Clubs  
of La Jolla, Pacific Beach, Black Mountain, Rancho Santa Fe and  
Point Loma and the San Diego County Democratic Party

Hosted by Bill and Michelle Lerach  
At Their Panoramic and Stunning Cliffside Estate in La Jolla  
\$40 per person (and bring a toy. See p. 4)

Sunday, December 18, 2011  
2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

**RSVP REQUIRED**

858-277-3367 or <https://secure.actblue.com/page/holiday2011>

SAVE THE DATE for a unique  
January program:

See details on page 2.

### VOTING FOR 2012 OFFICERS

There will be a brief meeting with ballots for  
you to vote on the slate of officers presented  
at the November meeting. See page 2.

## **La Jolla Democratic Club Officers for 2012 Nominations for Club Officers**

The nominating committee presented the following slate at the November meeting. Voting will take place at the December meeting (aka Holiday Party).

President - Derek Casady  
Vice President - Jerry Griffith  
Vice President, Communication - Carolyn Shadle  
Secretary - Mary Paulet  
Treasurer - Nancy Casady  
Member of the Board and webmaster - Ann Kennedy

--Nominations Committee: Merle Boyd, Jerry Griffith, Carolyn Shadle

### **2012 DUES The cost is the same!!**

\$20 per individual, \$30 per couple, \$50 for sustaining membership, \$100 for patron , and \$5 for students.

Membership is on a calendar basis, so pay NOW for 2012.

Receive the monthly newsletter, help cover meetings costs and help get Democrats elected!

Please fill out the membership form on page 4 and submit it with your check.

### **LOOKING AHEAD: Save the Date for the January LJDC Meeting Sunday, January 15**

#### **Religion and Politics: Fire and Water?**

How did we get from the “no religious test” of the Founders to Eisenhower's “underGod”? And then from that Cold War innovation to today's pious rhetoric? And what does it mean?

The speaker will be Dr. Robert B. Tapp, Professor Emeritus of Humanities, Religious Studies, and South Asian Studies at University of Minnesota

### **Grassroots Organizing (GO Teams)**

Hundreds of volunteers serving as part of the Grassroots Organizing Team connect with voters in their communities which builds better voter turnout. By walking and talking with voters, we average a 14% increase in Democratic voter turnout in GO Team covered precincts.

We are currently adding new precinct leaders and data support volunteers for the 2012 elections. The SD County Democrats provide training, support, and all the materials you'll need to talk to fellow Democrats or to provide data support. Training is available on the first Saturday of every month, 10-11:30 a.m. For information or to register contact [goteam@sddemocrats.org](mailto:goteam@sddemocrats.org) or (858)277-3367.

## OCCUPY SAN DIEGO Update



The REAL work of the OCCUPY movement is taking place in small groups that meet every day at 5:30 and the General Assembly (which is anyone who shows up) each evening at 7:00 p.m. - at the Civic Center Plaza. Lurkers and visitors are welcome.

Get updates on Occupy San Diego at [www.occupysd.org](http://www.occupysd.org)

For daily emails send a request to [occupysd-request@citizenoversight.org](mailto:occupysd-request@citizenoversight.org)

### San Diego Women Support Occupy

You can sign up by clicking the following URL:

<http://groups.google.com/group/occupy-women-discussion/sub?s=wS9tIBQAAAAFrme8pII9cA1WbRBXXif39IRT-VKiWgPXly6Ya4H5EQ&hl=en>

For more information, contact Stephanie Jennings [stjennings@ucsd.edu](mailto:stjennings@ucsd.edu)

### WHAT CAN YOU DO?

50 concerned citizens showed up for the La Jolla Teach-in on November 9 dealing with the worsening **wealth divide**. The following ACTIONS were suggested in order to press banks, corporations and government leaders into action:

- Transfer (all or part of your money) from one of the Big Banks to your local credit union.
- Consider the 10 ideas listed on the Contract for the American Dream. For the list and details about each go to [www.rebuildthedream.com](http://www.rebuildthedream.com)
- Support the initiative to **Tax Wall Street Speculation**. See the article on Club website at [www.lajollademocrats.org](http://www.lajollademocrats.org) (under "Tax Financial Transactions"). And see <http://c3190322.r22.cf0.rackcdn.com/FTT-flier-2up-rev2.pdf> or contact [conor@pdamerica.org](mailto:conor@pdamerica.org) for further details.

• Volunteer to help at the State Democratic Convention in SD Feb. 10-12. Sign up by January 3 at [www.cadem.org/volunteer2012](http://www.cadem.org/volunteer2012).

## December Holiday Party



For further information, contact: (858) 277-3367 or [info@sddemocrats.org](mailto:info@sddemocrats.org)

Hopefully you didn't miss the notice of our December Holiday Party outlined on page 1.

This photo will suggest to you the stunning grounds. Enjoy also Michelle and Bill Lerach's art collection and holiday décor along with the good company and holiday cheer of fellow Democrats from throughout San Diego County.

And remember, the LJDC will have a QUICK meeting to elect our 2012 officers.

This event quickly sold out last year and will sell out again, so **RSVP**: <https://secure.actblue.com/page/holiday2011>

In an effort to boost the County Party's social media presence, the County Party will be giving a free pair of tickets this year to a supporter who "likes" us on Facebook or follows us on Twitter (to be randomly selected prior to the event). To qualify, make sure you're connected with us [here](#) and [here](#).

### BRING A TOY TO THE HOLIDAY PARTY

LJDC is cooperating with the Western Service Workers Association, a membership organization of low-income worker families in San Diego County.

At its November meeting, the club voted to support WSWA's annual Toy Distribution to Parents.

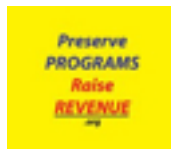
You are encouraged to bring a **new, unwrapped toy** to the Holiday Party. The toys will be delivered to WSWA.

### Progress!

The Wall Street Transition Tax is now the adopted position of the California Democratic Party, thanks to the efforts of Mike Copass, Ida Robinson, Derek Casady and Michael McQuary. See a copy of the proposition on the LJDC website.

#### STAY INFORMED AND MOTIVATED

- View this video from TED provides this talk by Professor Wilkenson which clearly lays out why the current state of inequality is destructive and dangerous. <http://www.ted.com/talks/lang/eng/ric...>
- Note that the group that brought us The Story of Stuff has released a new movie, ***The Story of Broke: Why There's Still Plenty of Money to Build a Better Future***.
- Keep up with the SD Task Force for Economic Justice.



The Economic Justice Action Task Force that began in the LJ Democratic Club has now evolved into the **San Diego Task Force for Economic Justice**. Go to its facebook page to keep up with the news. <<http://www.facebook.com/pages/San-Diego-Task-Force-for-Economic-Justice/110121265740929>>

### Endorsement of Lori Saldaña



The majority of voting members present at the November LJDC meeting voted to have

the club endorse the candidacy of Lori Saldaña for the 52nd Congressional District.

All 2012 club dues are due NOW. Please return the membership form. Thanks to all who have paid.



## Membership Form

Please print this form, fill in, and send with dues to:

**La Jolla Democratic Club**  
**P.O. Box 288 La Jolla, CA 92038**

LJDC Membership Annual Dues: **All yearly dues are due in January.**

\$20 Individual  \$30 Couple  \$50 Sustaining  \$100 Patron  
 \$5 Student

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Receive newsletter via email: yes / no

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Volunteer:**  Phone  Precinct Work  Host Meetings  Raise  
Funds  Serve on Board

Make your check payable to LJDC or La Jolla Democratic Club

*Dues are not tax deductible.*

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