
JOHN GEORGE DEMOCRATIC CLUB

NEWSLETTER--December, 2013

Holiday Party:

*Get Ready for Election
Year 2014!*

**December 12, 2013
5:30 – 7:00 PM
2731 Ashby Place,
Berkeley**

(Laurie Soman's home)

Election Preview—2014

Nationally, the hope of Democrats is to end the madness in Congress by gaining majority control of the House of Representatives and retaining a majority in the Senate. Traditionally, non-presidential election years have lower turnouts and favor conservatives. However, the extreme antics of the Tea Party may damage the Republican image enough to leave them vulnerable. Stay tuned!

For the **state** in 2014, the task for Democrats is to hold onto their supermajority so Republicans can't block all positive legislation. Here in Oakland and Berkeley, Democratic seats are safe, but we, as the John George Democratic Club, want to ensure that the most progressive candidates are elected. Thus the June 3rd primary is an important election.

Nancy Skinner is termed out of AD 15, so there is a wide-open race to replace her. Candidates include:

- Andy Katz - Director, East Bay Municipal Utility District
- Sam Kang - Attorney
- Cecilia Valdez - Councilmember, San Pablo
- Charles Ramsey - Trustee, West Contra Costa USD
- Tony Thurmond - Former trustee, West Contra Costa USD
- Elizabeth Echols - Regional Administrator, Small Business Administration

▪ Loni Hancock was elected to the 9th Senate seat in 2012 and will not be up for re-election.

▪ Rob Bonta, who the Club endorsed in 2012, will be running for a second term for the 18th Assembly District; he is unopposed in the Democratic primary at this time.

Oakland and Berkeley both have instant run-off, so the November election will select these races. The Oakland Mayor's race is likely to be lively even though Jean Quan will be running as an incumbent. Her opponents at this time include:

- Bryan Parker, Port of Oakland Commissioner
 - Joe Tuman, Prof. of Communication Studies, SF State
 - Patrick McCullough, resident who made headlines in 2005 after he shot a 16-year-old assailant outside his home
 - Libby Schaaf, City Council District 4
- Others may join the race, so stay tuned.

Oakland City Council districts 2, 4, and 6 are held by Pat Kernighan, Libby Schaaf, Desley Brooks. Brooks is likely to face opposition. Schaaf's seat will be open since she decided to run for mayor; it's too early to know who will run for her seat.

In Berkeley, Council Districts 1, 4, 7, & 8, held by Linda Maio, Jesse Arreguin, Kriss Worthington, and Gordon Wozniak are up for election. The first three have all been endorsed by the JGDC in previous elections (and are Club members!). In past years, progressives have often faced well funded opponents, so be prepared.

John George Social Justice Awards



From left: Jack Lucero Fleck, Steven Pitts, Eva Jefferson Paterson, Helen Hutchison, Marisa Jolivette, Pierre LaBossierre, Sandra Johnson Simon, Alona Clifton. Photo by Laurie Soman

"Stemming the Race to the Bottom: The Incarcerated, The Undocumented, The Have Nots" was the theme of the fourth bi-annual John George Social Justice Awards Reception on October 23, 2013. Alona Clifton and Sandra Johnson Simon presented awards to four worthy recipients. The event was a tribute to people working to keep the spirit of John George alive and was a rousing success.

Featured speaker was Steven Pitts, PhD, UC Berkeley Labor Center, which focuses on issues of job quality and Black workers. Steven was introduced by Rachel Richman, Political and Policy Director of Local 21, International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers, and a long time JGDC member. Steven told the audience that members of the "public don't understand the concept of collective action," and that we need to engage people in this idea. If we fail to "put forth our principles, we will fall more and more to the bottom." He also discussed two dimensions of the Black job crisis. He noted that unemployment and racial inequity is a well known aspect, but the other dimension is "low wage work." He explained that since the mid-1970s there has been a "structural problem" with a growing gap between "wages and productivity" with productivity rising steadily, but wages remaining nearly flat. Pitts concluded saying that building a "beloved community should be our goal."

Pierre LaBossiere received the Social Justice award for his many years of work supporting human rights in his native Haiti. He is co-founder of the Haiti Action Committee and is on the board of the Haiti Emergency Relief Fund. Pierre told the audience that in Haiti the government calls their oppressive economic policies "neoliberalism", while in the U.S. they call it "privatization", but we all need to work together in the "fight for real democracy."

Eva Jefferson Patterson, founder of the Equal Justice Society in 2003, and director of the Lawyer's Committee for Civil Rights for 13 years before that, received the Public Policy Leadership Award. Eva was a leading spokesperson in the campaigns against Proposition 187 (anti-immigrant) and Proposition 209 (anti-affirmative action). Eva gave a fiery speech pointing out that racism lies just below the surface of the Tea Party. She noted that the same states that are refusing health care are the former slave states; one of their representatives

even referred to the *Affordable Care Act* as a new "war of Yankee aggression."

Marisa Jolivette, recipient of the Young Adult Social Justice Spirit Award, is a senior at San Lorenzo High School. Marisa traveled to China in support of President Obama's 100,000 strong initiative earlier this year. She also launched a political awareness project during the last presidential campaign. Marisa said that she would "strive to keep the commitment and legacy of John George alive."

The League of Women Voters received the Club's first Public Education Award for their 90 year plus commitment to educating women and men to make the best possible use of their votes in shaping public policy. Laurie Soman, in presenting the award to Helen Hutchison, President of the League's Oakland Chapter, explained that the League's EZ Voter Guide is invaluable in explaining the many ballot measures and state initiatives. This Guide helps our Club make many recommendations on these measures. Helen explained that the Guide is the result of focus groups with adults learning about the measures for the first time. This explains how the Guide ends up being so user friendly. Helen also noted that the League is non-partisan, but it is a political organization and does not shy away from taking positions on important political issues.

The Club extends our congratulations to all the recipients and our appreciation to all those who supported the event.

Major bills from the California legislature 2013

Senate Bill 9 - Fair Sentencing Law (impact on Juveniles)

This law gives a second chance to most people who were under the age of 18 at the time of their crime and sentenced to life without parole. They can ask the court for a new sentencing hearing. At that hearing, they will have the chance of getting a new

sentence with the possibility of parole; **became California law in Jan 2013.**

California Senate Bill 260 - Justice for Juveniles with Adult Prison Sentences

Gives thousands of youth sentenced to adult prison terms hope and real opportunities to work toward parole. The law will enable youth who were transferred to and sentenced in adult court to have their sentence reviewed after serving ten years; **signed into law September 16, 2013,**

AB 1121 - Transgender Name Changes, Birth and Death Certificates

Simplifies the process required for a name change to reflect a person's gender identity, as well as ensuring that a person's identity documents reflect his or her gender identity accurately, particularly death certificates; **signed into Law Oct 8, 2013**

Assembly Bill 1266 - Transgender Students Bill

which gives transgender students access to gender-segregated public school activities and facilities like restrooms and locker rooms that reflect their gender identity. **The bill was signed into law August 12, 2013 and will go into effect January 1, 2014**

AB218 aka "Ban the Box" ban felony question on public job applications

Bars government agencies from asking job applicants about criminal convictions until the agency has determined that the applicant meets minimum qualifications for the job. This measure will help remove unfair barriers to employment that keep millions of qualified workers trapped at the margins of society.

Signed into Law Oct 8, 2013

Gov. Brown sends mixed message on gun control

Jerry Brown managed to irritate all sides by signing 11 gun control bills and vetoing 7.

VETOED:

1. AB 169 – Roger Dickinson’s bill would have limited the transfer of handguns deemed “unsafe.” Gov. Brown wrote in his veto message, “I do not support restricting sales in this way without evidence that such restrictions would improve public safety.”
2. AB 180 – AB 180 would have allowed the City of Oakland to pass gun control measures that are stricter than the state norm. Brown said the bill, authored by Asm. Rob Bonta, would only create confusion.
3. SB 299 – Concord Sen. Mark DeSaulnier’s bill would have required owners to report stolen guns within seven days. Brown argued that “responsible people report the loss of theft of a firearm and irresponsible people do not. I remain skeptical that this bill would change those behaviors.”
4. SB 374 – Another controversial bill, Sen. Darrell Steinberg’s SB 374. It would have banned the sale of semi-automatic rifles with removable magazines. Brown wrote in his veto message that he doesn’t believe such a “blanket” legislation would enhance public safety.
5. SB 567 – Sen. Hannah Beth-Jackson’s bill would have changed the legal definition of what a shotgun is. Brown felt the bill was not necessary.
6. SB 755 - The law, introduced by Sen. Lois Wolk of Davis, would have added drug abuse convictions to the list of what would prohibit someone from owning a gun for 10 years. Again, Brown felt the bill was unnecessary.”
7. SB 374 - Senator Darrell Steinberg; ban on future sales of most semi-automatic rifles.

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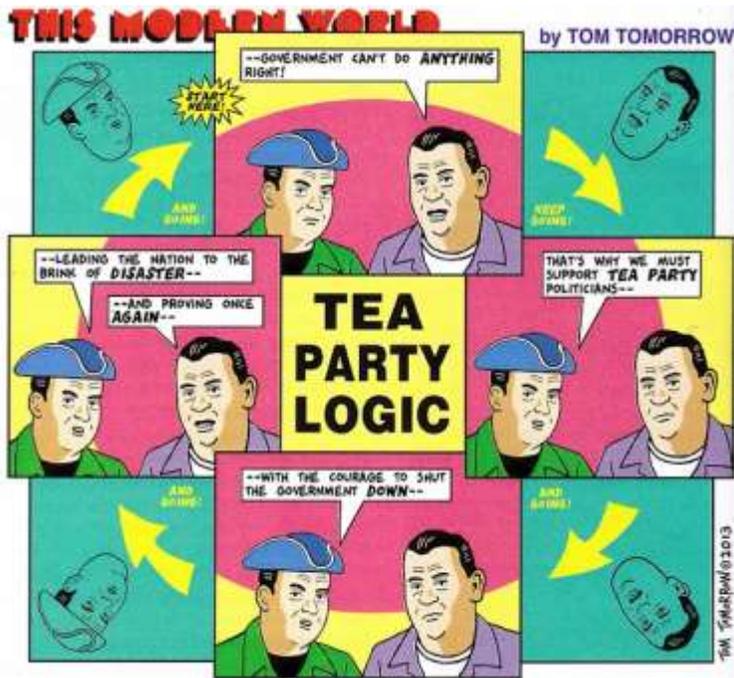
1. SB 683 by Senator Marty Block (D-San Diego) – Firearms: firearm safety certificate.

2. SB 363 by Senator Roderick D. Wright (D-Los Angeles) – Firearms: criminal storage: unsafe handguns: fees.
3. SB 127 by Senator Ted Gaines (R-Rocklin) – Firearms: mentally disordered persons reporting required.
4. AB 1131 by Assemblymember Nancy Skinner (D-Berkeley) – Firearms: increases prohibitory period for mentally ill persons deemed by a psychotherapist to pose a threat.
5. AB 48 by Assemblymember Nancy Skinner (D-Berkeley) – Firearms: large-capacity magazines.
6. AB 170 by Assemblymember Steven Bradford (D-Gardena) – Assault weapons and .50 BMG rifles.
7. AB 231 by Assemblymember Philip Y. Ting (D-San Francisco) – Firearms: criminal storage.
8. AB 500 by Assemblymember Tom Ammiano (D-San Francisco) – Firearms: stricter restrictions on purchases.
9. AB 538 by Assemblymember Richard Pan (D-Sacramento) – Firearms: various technical details regarding documentation.
10. AB 539 by Assemblymember Richard Pan (D-Sacramento) – Firearm possession: prohibitions: transfer to licensed dealer.
11. AB 711 by Assemblymember Anthony Rendon (D-Lakewood) – Hunting: nonlead ammunition.

2013 a big year for marriage equality

Invalidation of Prop. 8

On June 26, 2013, the Supreme Court of the United States ruled that the proponents of Proposition 8 lacked legal standing to appeal the lower court rulings that had already invalidated Prop. 8. The historic ruling resulted in the swift restoration of the freedom to marry in California, making us the thirteenth (plus Washington, D.C.) where same-sex couples can marry. With same-sex marriage legalized in Illinois on November 20, 38% of the U.S. population - more than 120 million U.S. Americans - now live in states where same-sex couples can marry.



From *In These Times*, December, 2013

AB 999 Prisoner Protections for Family and Community Health Act - [Governor Brown vetoes law](#)

AB 999 (Bonta, D--Oakland) Bill directs California's Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to develop a 5-year plan to extend the availability of condoms in all California prisons. The bill also requires all non-administrative costs of the program, including dispensers and condoms, to be paid for through donations.

Discussion of AB 999

Assembly Bill 999, sponsored by Democrat Rob Bonta of Oakland, would have required the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to develop a five-year plan to offer condoms in all California prisons. Bonta called the proposal in AB 999 "extremely modest" and said he was "surprised" by the governor's veto last Saturday.

"The department currently allows family visitors to bring condoms for the purpose of the family overnight visitation program," Governor Brown wrote in his veto message. "While expansion of the program may be warranted, the department should

evaluate and implement this expansion carefully and within its existing authority."

The focus of the vetoed bill was preventing transmission of HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, to incarcerated people during unprotected sex.

Prisoners in state and federal correction centers are more than twice as likely to have a confirmed AIDS diagnosis than the general population, according to data from the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for 2008, the most recent year for which data is available.

In 2010, black men were seven times more likely to be incarcerated than white men nationwide, and black women were three times more likely than white women to be imprisoned, according to the same CDC report.

"My goal and the concern of communities of color throughout our state is much broader than just family visitation," Bonta said. "We are concerned with the unprotected sexual activity that has always occurred and will continue to occur between prisoners. They are contracting the disease in prison and then spreading it to partners upon release."

The AIDS Healthcare Foundation, a Los Angeles-based medical and advocacy group for those with HIV/AIDS, swiftly criticized Brown's veto. Michael Weinstein, the president of the group, called AB 999 "a fairly prudent health measure intended to protect inmates as well as their post-incarceration partners . . . from possible transmission of HIV and other STDs."

Currently, California prisoners only have access to condoms when their partners bring them for overnight conjugal visits, said Jeffrey Callison, press secretary for the department. "Outside of that, sexual activity is not allowed in prisons," he said.

Callison added that he was unable to comment on Brown's veto because the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation is a branch of the

governor's administration. "It's not that we don't have thoughts on the issue. It's that we're not able to comment," he said.

If the governor had signed AB 999, the department would have expanded access to condoms based on a pilot project that ran from 2008 to 2009 in Solano State Prison.

The report from the pilot project, which was released in 2011, estimated that it would have cost \$1.49 per inmate in the first year to make free condoms available. The average yearly cost of antiretroviral drugs for one person with HIV is \$40,800.

Despite Governor Brown's veto, the department may still look at expanding access to condoms on its own. "Something will happen. Just exactly when and how has yet to be determined," according to Callison. However, "an evaluation comes first," he added.

Urban Shield—the Wrong Direction

by Wilson Riles, Jr.

Urban Shield is the name of what has become an annual event that is held not only in Oakland but also around the country to promote both the militarization of local police and sheriff's departments and to also market the products and tactics of the military industrial complex to local communities. It was a gun and paraphernalia bazaar held at the Merritt Hotel October 25 and also included "competitions" between SWAT teams and early response teams from communities around the County; these "competitions" also display the products and tactics of the various military industrial complex corporations.

Out of last year's Urban Shield exercise came Oakland's interest in a surveillance-fusion/big-data-center that the Council just contracted with SAIC (Science Applications International Corporation) to build. However, SAIC, has been dropped by the City

because of Oakland's anti-war ballot initiative, which restricts the City from doing business with companies that serve the military industrial complex. (Yea, Oakland!) So far the City has not found another company to do it that does not also work for the Defense Department.

Also out of last year's event emerged the County Sheriff's attempts to bring surveillance drones into our community. When I got on the Council in 1979 the City had just purchased helicopters; the end of the Vietnam War left helicopter manufacturers without a big market. Just like Urban Shield has now formalized, the militaristic community- and people-control mechanisms - first tested overseas - were now being marketed to local US communities.

The "carrot" is that much of this is **INITIALLY** subsidized by the Federal Government. Once the subsidies ran out, Oakland had to spend millions every year to maintain and fly those helicopters with very little real benefit for reducing the original justifications of dangerous car chases or faster crime response. Homeland Security gave the County Sheriff more than \$7 million to coordinate Urban Shield for the purpose of local terrorism practices and for emergency response. The justification (emergency disaster response) is very, very distant from the actuality of what goes on at this event. This approach to terrorism belies the Federal craziness around terrorism that causes as much terrorism as it resolves and (like the Vietnam War did) absorbs tremendous amounts of public dollars that could be better spent in understanding the US role in causing and justifying terrorism. In his ***Beyond Vietnam*** speech Martin Luther King Jr. spoke to which country is the greatest terrorist on the planet. Because of the kinds of wasted resources that are being spent on Urban Shield and other such ludicrous approaches, we do not have the resources for effective terrorism or crime prevention. It almost goes without saying that the surveillance, heavy deadly force ideology behind the approach being marketed is **totally contrary** to

the community/problem-solving policing, restorative justice, dialoging ideology that the Oakland Police Department is moving towards and that we want them to move toward.

Alona's Report from New York

by Alona Clifton

Recently, I was in New York as a board member of [Westside Community Services](#), a mental health agency in San Francisco to tour Harlem Children's Zone. We looked at best practices to determine what Westside could adopt and adapt to our services in San Francisco.

Westside Community Mental Health Center was founded in 1967. The most remarkable feature of Westside is the value placed not just on community involvement but on community control of services. The Board of Directors—the governing body of the agency—has always been composed of members of two groups: 50% from the Community Advisory Board (CAB) and 50% from the Consortium member agencies. Time would tell how this unique combination of forces proved, over and over again, to be essential to Westside's survival.

The History of Westside is the history of community mental health because the community informs and directs the types of services we provide.

My tour of [Harlem Children's Zone \(HCZ\)](#) was very informative.

It is truly a national model that should be replicated!! A very comprehensive holistic approach to work with marginalized communities - Alona

A history of innovation--Over the years, the agency introduced several ground-breaking efforts: in 2000, The [Baby College](#)® parenting workshops; in 2001,

the [Harlem Gems](#)® pre-school program; also in 2001, the [HCZ Asthma Initiative](#), which teaches families to better manage the disease; in 2004, the [Promise Academy](#), a high-quality public charter school; and in 2006, an [obesity program](#) to help children stay healthy.

Under the visionary leadership of its President and CEO, Geoffrey Canada, HCZ continues to offer innovative, efficiently run programs that are aimed at doing nothing less than breaking the cycle of generational poverty for the thousands of children and families it serves.

My tour of the [African Burial Ground Monument and Museum](#) (part of the national park Service-US Dept of the Interior, 290 Broadway):

Fascinating/phenomenal!! A must see when in New York – alona

"...preserves a site containing the remains of more than 400 Africans buried during the late 17th and 18th centuries in a portion of what was the largest colonial-era cemetery for people of African descent, some free, most enslaved. Historians estimate there may have been 15,000–20,000 burials in what was called the "Negroes Burial Ground" in the 1700s. The site's excavation and study was called "the most important historic urban archaeological project in the United States."

"The discovery highlighted the forgotten history of African slaves in colonial and federal New York City, who were integral to its development. By the American Revolutionary War, they constituted nearly a quarter of the population in the city, which had the second largest number of slaves in the nation after Charleston, South Carolina." (Wikipedia)

African Burial Ground Exterior Monument



John George Photo from the Archives

by Gay Plair Cobb

John George, (third from the right in the photo at right), is shown attending the wedding reception of Gay Plair and Paul Cobb, October 3, 1970 at the University of California, Berkeley, Alumni Club. The bride is surrounded by her civil rights/political "posse" known as the inner circle of the original Oakland Black Caucus. The Caucus leaders had just completed the "Oakland 5" trial, for protesting the lack of Black employment at the Oakland Board of Education, where they were arrested. The Black Caucus spawned the formation of several other organizations and institutions, including OCCUR, New Oakland Committee, Oakland Economic Development Corporation, California Voice Newspaper ownership, the Muleskinners Democratic Club, Alamo Black Clergy, and Black Women Organized for Political Action. Under John George's leadership and inspiration several elective and appointive firsts occurred including: Larry Joyner, first Black to run for Mayor, Elijah Turner and Paul Cobb who both ran for the West Oakland

City Council seat (prior to district elections), Gay Plair Cobb, Alameda County Board of Education, 5 consecutive 4-year terms; Elijah Turner appointed to the Oakland Planning Commission; Lionel Wilson, Oakland Mayor; Donald P. McCullum Superior Court Judge; John George, Alameda County Supervisor; Ron Dellums, US Congress; Warren Widener, Mayor of Berkeley; Wilson Riles, Leo Bazile and Dezie Woods-Jones, Oakland City Council; and many others!



Pictured left to right are Donald P. McCullum, President of the NAACP; Percy Moore, Director of Oakland's anti-poverty program (OEDCI); bride Gay Plair Cobb; Elijah Turner, President of Oakland CORE; John George, attorney for the Oakland Black Caucus; groom Paul Cobb; and Alphonso Galloway, President of the McClymonds Youth Council.

Extreme weather hits home--typhoons and tornadoes

by Jack and Ayda Lucero Fleck

The climate crisis seems like a problem that is in the future. But in November, it came very close to home for us. First came typhoon Haiyan (Yolanda), the most powerful tropical storm ever to make landfall in recorded history. Haiyan hit Ayda's, home town, Guiuan, Samar, Philippines head on and left the town a total wreck. Fortunately my four aunts and uncles who live there survived, and

all my cousins and family around the world are pooling resources to help them out. The Philippines chief representative at the U.N. climate talks taking place in Warsaw is also from a town near Guiuan. He made a tearful plea and began a hunger strike demanding "meaningful" action to stop climate change. "What my country is going through as a result of this extreme climate event is madness," he said.

Photo of kids at Ayda's aunt's school in Guiuan taken by Ayda in happier times:



Donations for disaster relief in the Philippines may be sent to Doctors Without Borders, the Philippines Red Cross (<http://www.redcross.org.ph/>), or Brigada Kalikasan (<http://brigadakalikasan.org/>) (we recommend sending aid directly to these groups operating in the Philippines rather than the U.S. Red Cross.)

Guiuan after Haiyan/Yolanda:



Then, 10 days later, Jack's home town of Peoria, Illinois was blasted with freak November tornadoes on an unusually warm day. Actually the tornadoes struck on each side of Peoria--in Pekin, Illinois and Washington, IL. While I could not remember any tornadoes in November from my years in Illinois, I read that these did occur in 1992 and 2002, so they are not totally unprecedented. *But I can't help but feel that such extreme weather events are part of what we can expect with climate change.*

Washington, IL, about 10 miles east of Peoria after the tornado November 17:



Covered California: California's Obamacare Success Story

Covered California (our state's health exchange under the federal Affordable Care Act) is now enrolling uninsured individuals and families in health coverage that will take effect January 1, 2014. The ACA requires all legal residents aged 18 and over to have health coverage that meets minimum federal standards; all Covered California plans meet these standards. (Undocumented children and adults are not eligible to participate in Covered California but may be eligible for certain Medi-Cal benefits.)

While the federal Obamacare website is experiencing delays and crashes, Covered CA is a national success story. Not only is the website working efficiently, but the program appears to be signing up the young, healthy people it needs to help balance the costs of older, sicker and more expensive folks. As NY Times columnist Paul Krugman reported last week, "What we have in California, then, is a proof of concept. Yes, Obamacare is workable — in fact, done right, it works just fine."

Covered CA is easier to negotiate than shopping for insurance on the open market, but is still complicated. There are four options ("metals") for plans under Covered California, with out-of-pocket costs such as premiums, deductibles and co-pays varying by option. E.g., under the Platinum plan, the enrollee pays 10% of expenses, while in the Bronze plan, the enrollee plays 40% of expenses. Low-income children and adults may be eligible for Medi-Cal, and people with incomes up to 400% of the Federal Poverty Level are eligible for federally subsidized premium assistance. Three Covered CA plans are enrolling Alameda County residents: Anthem, Blue Shield, and Kaiser. A fourth plan, Alameda Alliance for Health, is temporarily on hold while it resolves some fiscal problems, which it expects to correct soon.

Even with the smooth rollout of Covered California, there are important things people should think about before purchasing coverage. These include the provider networks each plan offers (i.e. whether plan networks include physicians and hospitals that you or your family need) and out-of-pocket costs:

- Provider networks: Information on plan networks is on the Covered California website so you can determine which plans include the providers you need. People with high medical needs and multiple providers may not be able to find a plan that includes all their providers.
- Out-of-pocket costs: There are trade-offs involved in selecting a particular "metal" plan. The higher the metal (e.g. platinum), the higher the upfront costs like premiums, while lower metals (e.g. bronze) carry lower premiums but higher pay-as-you-go costs like deductibles and co-pays. There are ceilings on out-of-pocket costs, but these costs still can be substantial in the lower metal plans.

You can browse plans, search for providers, compare costs and apply at the Covered California website at www.coveredca.com or by telephone at 800-300-1506. Enrollment assistance in multiple languages is available; check the Covered California website for information on local assisters.

Is \$25,000 per year too much for Walmart strikers to ask for? Santa didn't think so... then he got arrested.



Transition at Club Treasurer

Charles Robinson has been the Club treasurer for many years. However, due to some recent health issues, Chuck has had to step down. Thankfully his health is improving and Chuck still plans to attend endorsement meetings and help us sign in Club members and candidates. Also fortunately, Phyllis White Ayanruoh has volunteered to take Chuck's place, which the steering committee heartily supports. Thank you Chuck and welcome Phyllis!

We still have a couple of vacancies on our steering committee. As we head toward the 2014 election year, this is a great time to join us and add your energy to building the progressive wing of the Democratic Party!

Join Now Or Renew Your Membership

Special offer! Pay your 2014 dues **now** and avoid a likely dues increase. The Club has not raised its dues in over 15 years. The Steering Committee voted to recommend that dues be raised to \$40 next year, but you can renew now for the old rate of \$30 before the Club votes on this in January!

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____

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Enclosed are my dues for:

____ \$30 (Reg)

____ \$10 (Low Income)

____ \$50 (Sustaining)

____ \$100 (Sponsor)

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