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ACT's 46th Year Anniversary Celebration and Fundraiser!

Sunday, June 9, 2019, 2-4 p.m.

at the home of Connie Holguin

271 Markham Place, Pasadena



Please save the date and join us as we celebrate 46 years of progressive grass-roots political action at a joyous event on Sunday, June 9.

Among our special guests, we will be honoring three local heroes: long-time activists, the **Rev. Inman** and **Nellie Moore**, and our justly celebrated **Congressman Adam Schiff**.

We will have fun while raising funds. Proceeds will go right to work helping elect our 46th president – and sweeping Donald Trump away like the loser he's always been. If that sounds good to you, please consider being a sponsor of ACT's 46th Anniversary Celebration.

You may call Bill Hackett at 626-705-2180 for more information on sponsorship. (Sponsor levels are \$146, \$250, \$500, \$1,000, \$2,300, and \$4,600.) Watch for your invitation in the mail in May.

46th to Elect New 46th President!



Our Next Meeting

The next meeting of ACT and the Arroyo Democratic Club is on Thursday, May 2 at the home of Tom and Monica Hubbard, 1843 Pepper Drive, Altadena. (That's above New York Drive and several blocks east of Allen Avenue.) Socializing will begin at 7 p.m. The meeting will be called to order at 7:30 p.m.

We hope to see you there. Everyone is welcome.

The Future of Public and Private Utilities

ACT/ADC Members:

For your consideration and input, we plan to consider a resolution at our May forum (date and location to be finalized shortly) on the future of public and private utilities.

You will find a link to the resolution on ACT's webpage, ACTpasadena.org.



Congratulations, Monica

Congratulations to ACT Steering Committee member Monica Hubbard recognized as a 'Woman of Distinction' for the positive impact she has made in her community. She received this well-deserved award from 41st District Assemblyman Chris Holden at his Annual Spring Open House on March 28. The event was, in part, a celebration of Women's History Month.



Pasadena Elections Nuts & Bolts:

Mayor and City Council Primary Election

Date: March 3, 2020

General (City run-off) and PUSD Election

Date: November 3, 2020

Mayor Nomination Filing Period:

November 12, 2019 to December 6, 2019*

City Council Districts 1, 2, 4, & 6:

November 12, 2019 to December 6, 2019*

PUSD 2, 4, & 6: Summer 2020

PCC 2, 4, & 6: November 12, 2019 to

December 6, 2019*

*Extended to December 11, 2019 if incumbent does not run or qualify to run.

Thanks to Mark Jomsky, City Clerk, Pasadena for the above. cityofpasadena.net/cityclerk

Charter School Legislation

SB 126 was recently passed. It would hold charter schools to the same transparency, accountability and conflict-of-interest standards as traditional public schools.

Pending legislation:

AB1505: Charter authorization, renewal, and appeal made by affected district's elected school board only. No harmful financial/facilities impact on public schools; no redundant programs.

AB1506: Statewide cap on charters.

AB1507: No charters outside of authorizing districts.

AB 1508: Impacts of charters on public schools

SB 756: Statewide charter moratorium until 2024 if AB 1505, 1506, 1507 do not pass.

Read the bills and learn more at [https://facebook.com/groups/ReformCharterSchools1505.1508/learning content/](https://facebook.com/groups/ReformCharterSchools1505.1508/learning-content/)



AB392: ACLU Reducing Police Shootings Forum

Tuesday, May 14, 7 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Friends Meeting House
520 E. Orange Grove Boulevard, Pasadena

The event is free and open to the public.

RSVP: <https://reducing-police-shootings.eventbrite.com>



Your Photo in *The Phoenix*

Please share a high-resolution photo (of you) with *Phoenix* readers. Send it to Chuck Hains at hains27@sbcglobal.net for inclusion in an upcoming issue.

My Two Cents

By Ron Garber



Why Am I a Democrat?

Long before the recent controversies evidenced by the prosecutions of parents going to illegal extremes to get their children into prestigious colleges, I began reflecting on 'undeserved privilege' and whether or not I was the beneficiary of it. I'm proud to inform you that I am a product of community college and the transfer to public state college but that does not absolve me of benefitting because I was born 'white'.

While I'm not ready to, as Hamlet puts it 'to shuffle off this mortal coil', it has occurred to me that for the most part, my life has gone very smoothly and while I was never more than a mediocre (C+) student I had no problems eventually attaining a professional government position and partnering with my better half who also was in the same professional position.

I grew up in a community, the Fairfax district, that valued education. The expectation of going to college was virtually the same as that of completing grades one through twelve. I wonder if I had been born in a different community or had been born as a person of color with my bland educational record, would I have even gone to college and by extension landed in a professional position where I would have met such a wonderful woman.

Getting back to the question at hand; 'Why am I a Democrat'? I believe that when you live in the 'bubble of privilege' you don't recognize it and possibly don't accept that maybe you're undeservedly blessed. I do know that many in this country are born on the plus side of the ledger and many on the minus side and

neither had any choice in the matter. I think we've all always recognized that the Democratic Party is the party that works hard to level the playing field and that's the side I want to be on.



San Gabriel Valley Progressive Leadership Council

Several years ago Pasadenans Organizing for Progress, Alta/Pas Indivisible and the Pasadena chapter of Organizing for Action (OFA) cosponsored a summit of local Progressive organizations at Pasadena City College. I had the pleasure of facilitating the breakout group on political action. A half dozen members of that work group decided that they wanted to stay together to develop a plan to keep all the local Progressive organizations apprised of what each was doing so they could support each other. We called ourselves 'The Synergy Project'. A good part of the success the 'United Democratic Headquarters' had in November was due to this group steering members of those groups to the UDH headquarters and Synergy played an instrumental role in the GOTV Postcard Program.

On March 30 'The Synergy Project' hosted a cadre of SGV Progressive leaders who convened to form a new organization tentatively called "The San Gabriel Valley Progressive Leadership Council". It's anticipated that such an organization would be comprised of 60 to 100 organizations in Pasadena or within a 10 mile radius of Pasadena's borders. Each organization would send a single representative to a quarterly meeting to share the activities of each group to see where they could work together. Possible outcomes could be joint projects that all the groups could work on together and creating a data base of all the organization's members, giving individuals an opportunity to opt out of being included in such a list.

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Political Notes

by Jon Fuhrman



Tuesday, April 9.

The Democratic Presidential field seems finally to have gelled; pretty much everyone who was rumored to be interested is formally in, or has definitely bowed out (like Sen. Sherrod Brown), with the one glaring exception of Joe Biden. But if Biden had any doubts, these last two weeks would have given him ample opportunity to bow out, so I think we can safely assume he will join the race. Further, by most polling, he still seems to be the clear front-runner, both nation-wide and in early primary states, much to the annoyance of Bernie's die-hard fans.

The question, then, and the challenge to Democrats, is how do we sort all this out? Are there clear policy stances that are effectively litmus tests? Must one pledge allegiance to the Green New Deal, despite its lack of specifics and unrealistically impatient aspirations? Is Medicare-for-all the new Promised Land? Or are we simply looking for someone who can

win the Presidency, help us keep the House and take the Senate? Do we need someone who can resurrect the "Blue Wall" in the mid-west, or further rouse the base, or do both simultaneously (and how exactly do we do that)? Do we simply focus on retaking Pennsylvania, Michigan and Wisconsin, or do we take the battle to Georgia and Arizona (and maybe even Texas)? And how exactly does the Party make these decisions?

Clearly, this primary season will be more of a marathon than a sprint; the challenge for each candidate will be how to maintain interest, excitement and relevance over an extended period, particularly when all the candidates will be reacting pretty similarly to each successive outrage from President Trump's administration. My sense is that the national polling, and much of the polling in the early caucus / primary states, is driven by comfort and familiarity, or by an already locked-in desire to eschew the familiar and find a new voice. It seems to me that those two alternatives overlap considerably with the electability vs. issue-driven dichotomy. And while voters who have decided they want someone new, someone issue driven (and Bernie, I think, counts as someone new, his 2016 run notwithstanding), they may swing from one to another of the new voices, but are not likely to fall back to the familiar / comfortable and perhaps more electable side. Similarly, voters who are leaning toward the familiar and comfortable, and electable, are likely to stay in that lane and not slue over to one of the fresh new voices.

But the problem for many of our candidates is that there are so many in the fresh new voice / issue-driven group, and basically only one candidate in the familiar / comfortable / electable lane, and that's Uncle Joe. Thus, the real struggle will be to emerge from the plethora of new voices as the one pre-eminent candidate to represent that side of the Party. That side

might well be a majority, but it is now hopelessly splintered, with Sanders, O'Rourke, Buttigieg, Booker, Harris, Warren, Klobuchar, Castro, Gillibrand, Inslee, Hickenlooper, Yang and Swalwell (along with perhaps 5 or 6 other minor candidates) all competing for slightly different slices of the new voice / issues universe.

The first step in culling the herd will be quailfying for the first series of debates at the end of June and then again in July. To qualify, a candidate must either get donations from at least 65,000 donors around the country, or hit at least a 1% level in three different polls. Those are pretty modest requirements, so almost every candidate I listed above, and perhaps a few more, are likely to qualify. Based on their debate performances, there is likely to be a further narrowing of the field, although, with so many candidates, no one candidate will get very much time at all in the debate setting. So assessments based on the debates are likely to be somewhat shallow.

More telling will be whether the candidates can keep enough money flowing in to support a

national campaign. That gets pretty expensive as month after month flows by, and candidates try to have permanent staff in up to a dozen early caucus / primary states. This is where candidates like Biden and Sanders have a huge built-in advantage; they can stay the course, whereas new voices like Kamala Harris, Cory Booker, Pete Buttigieg and even Beto O'Rourke will be put to the test.

And then, finally, as 2020 dawns, the Iowa caucuses approach. The rules have dramatically changed, but the bottom line is that candidates still need to get at least 15% of the vote to win any delegates. If you capture zero delegates from Iowa and New Hampshire, you

pretty much need to give it up. Fair or not, those who crack that 15% threshold are likely to be anointed by the press as possibilities, and everyone else as has-beens. And if you're a has-been, the money disappears, the press coverage disappears, and the interest on the campaign trail disappears. It's theoretically possible to surmount that fate (who would have thought Pete Buttigieg would have gotten as far as he has), but the odds are really against you.

The Iowa caucuses will report the total votes cast for all candidates, rather than just the number of delegates awarded to those who crack the 15% threshold, so that gives a little

bit of hope to lesser candidates who don't quite get to 15%. A 10% showing will get you some national press. But the biggest change, and one likely disproportionately to help Joe Biden, is that Iowa will allow voters to submit rank-ordered absentee ballots, rather than limit the caucus participation to those who show up in person. This is likely dramatically to increase the number of ballots cast, and it provides organized groups (like

the AARP, which has already pledged to push its members to participate, and the Firefighters Union and teachers unions) an avenue to exert extra influence. All three of those groups are, institutionally, more likely to be supportive of Joe Biden (and the familiar, comfortable / electable lane) than any of the other candidates.

Bernie Sanders has a natural advantage in New Hampshire, being a next door neighbor, but in a way that's counter-productive, since any victory will be discounted somewhat because he's a next door neighbor. Then it's on to South Carolina and Nevada. In Nevada,



where retired Sen. Harry Reid still has substantial pull with the party organization, my guess is that the 20 years Reid spent working with Biden in the Senate and the Vice-Presidency will lead to an implicit, if not explicit, endorsement and give Biden a substantial edge in that state. Similarly, in South Carolina, a lifetime of alliances with African-American leadership, and eight years as President Obama's right hand, will persuade a large number of African-American voters to support his candidacy.

So my guess today is that Joe Biden will be our nominee, and the contest will pretty much be over by Super-Tuesday in March, 2020. Biden's challenge will be to transcend the comfortable / familiar role and energize both the Democratic base and the centrist voters. He can be the anti-Trump, but he must be more than that. He has to articulate a concise vision. It won't be enough to be good on each of two dozen issues; he has to boil it down to one or two catch-phrases that capture both the new and the familiar, that give voters across the spectrum something to hold on to and something to aspire towards, beyond simply getting rid of President Trump (although that in itself is no small motivator).

That's a tall order. But Joe's been around the block, so to speak, and will have a Vice-Presidential nominee that surely will come from the new voice side, so I'm pretty optimistic that he will be up to the challenge.

— Jon Fuhrman



Progressive Discussion Group Upcoming Programs

PDG meets every first and third Friday of the month from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in the back room of Dupar's Restaurant, 214 S. Lake Avenue, Pasadena. While the program starts at 9; you

should arrive by 8:45 if you are ordering breakfast.

April 19 Melanie Ochoa from the ACLU will talk about the new California police disciplinary action transparency legislation.

May 3 and 17 (the order TBD)

Presentation on Asian Pacific Heritage Month. If available Congresswoman Judy Chu may be one of the speakers.

Presentation on affordable housing and/or homelessness in Pasadena. Jill Shook and Michelle White, speakers.

June 7 Report on the just concluded California State Democratic Convention. One male and one female delegate reporting.

June 21 Gay Pride Month, Leo Miras from Lambda Legal, speaker.

July 5 Discussion of the state of the Democratic Presidential contest. NO SPEAKER. Each participant (us) will be given from 60 to 90 seconds to make a statement of where they stand as of this date. The field should be set as the first debate will have happened a few weeks prior. Save this date as A) it should be fun and B) those of you who can't usually make it on a Friday morning might be taking a 4-day holiday weekend.

July 19 YIMBY (Yes in my backyard) movement will be discussed. Carson Malbrough, speaker.

Ed Washatka is the PDG convener, Ron Garber is in charge of programs, and Monica Hubbard maintains the list and sends meeting reminders. Contact Ed at ed.washatka@gmail.com, or Ron at ronagarber@yahoo.com. Please let Monica know if you would like to receive meeting notices at consulting@mjhubbard.com.

We look forward to seeing you at any or all meetings.

— Ron Garber

**From
25th District
State Senator
Anthony Portantino**



Dear ACT Members,

Mental Health issues are becoming more and more present in our communities. From student health and welfare to the struggles of our homeless, there is an increased awareness and public policy focus that is long overdue. Recently, I was able to co-host two Mental Health First AID workshops with First District PTA. We had over 300 parents, teachers and administrators attend these 8-hour workshops for a robust discussion and important training. The interest and commitment from folks willing to give up a full day of their lives to learn the warning signs of depression, mental health compromises and intervention strategies underscores just how present and prevalent these concerns are in our families and communities.

Following up on the success of the workshops, I joined with Dr. Richard Pan to co-author SB 428 to require mental health first aid training to be part of teacher credentialing. I've also recently met with school administrators to discuss strategies moving forward to help foster proper student care. Senator Jim Beall, who has been the most ardent supporter of improving mental health care in California, is once again authoring a slate of proposals. I encourage ACT members to follow Senator Beall's legislative agenda as it progresses. I've had the pleasure of collaborating with him in the Assembly and now in the Senate on mental health and foster youth issues.

This week, SB 7 moved out of its first policy committee. As mentioned in prior newsletters, I authored SB 7 as the follow up to commitments I made two years ago with the 710

corridor communities and the Secretary of Transportation. The goal was to complete the 710 EIR process which replaced the 710 tunnel as the preferred transportation alternative and then remove the 710 from the streets and highways code. Caltrans delivered the EIR that killed the freeway and now we can deliver the administrative fix as well. SB 7 also protects the interest of the non-profits occupying Caltrans properties and seeks to facilitate the return of the freeway stubs to Alhambra, Pasadena and South Pasadena. Representatives from the Ronald McDonald House and students from Sequoia School offered positive testimony in Sacramento at the committee hearing. I've been in several productive conversations with the 710 corridor cities, Caltrans and Supervisor Barger. It is very exciting that after 60 years everyone is on the same page.

The state budget negotiations are progressing. Everyone is concerned that adjustments in the May revision may include lower revenue expectations. I remain committed to increasing education funding wherever possible and across all our education segments. I am optimistic that the Senate's \$4000 per early childhood IEP student proposal that I have co-authored with Senator Roth has a good chance of being included in the budget. This would significantly aid schools in their efforts to help our most vulnerable young learners. It is also consistent with Governor Newsom's emphasis on early education.

Bella and her school choir had a wonderful spring break concert tour. She is back at soccer practice and we are beginning the college search process. Sofia is doing well; I miss our cat Indiana Jones who left when Sofia moved out. I find myself perusing the internet looking for cute cat items. Ellen wants to cut off my internet shopping privileges.

Warmest and Best,

— Anthony

**From
41st District
Assemblymember
Chris Holden**



Dear ACT Friends,

It has been an eventful month both in the Capitol and the District. Several of my bills passed in their respective committees and we celebrated Women's History Month by honoring the district's Woman of the Year and Women of Distinction at my Annual Spring District Office Open House.

I am pleased to report my bill that will increase peace officer hate crime training, Assembly Bill 837, passed the Assembly Public Safety Committee. We know that the misrepresentation of hate crimes in California makes it harder to protect targeted groups. From this standpoint, gathering accurate statistics of hate crimes is a vital step in addressing the problem and shaping policy. My legislation requires local law enforcement agencies to mandate peace officers to attend periodic training in the investigation of hate crimes. Under the proposal, each agency may make the training culturally relevant to the community served by that agency. My goal with this legislation is to ensure peace officers have the tools necessary to protect the most vulnerable and targeted communities.

My dual enrollment legislation, Assembly Bill 30, passed unanimously in the Assembly Committee on Higher Education. Dual enrollment is a proven strategy that creates pathways to college and gives opportunities to students who might never have thought it would be possible to go to college. It provides high school students access to college-level coursework, increases the number of college graduates, reduces time and money spent for college, and helps close the achievement gap.

My legislation will extend the College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP), first established by my 2015 legislation, past its current expiration at the end of 2021, and ensures dual enrollment opportunities remain available to students who are not already college bound or are underrepresented in higher education. The new legislation will also streamline the process for developing CCAP agreements between community college and K-12 districts.

In the District, I had the pleasure of recognizing our District's Woman of the Year and Women of Distinction at my annual Open House at the end of March. This year's Women of Distinction include Monica Hubbard (Altadena), Shelly Vander Veen (Claremont), Sabina Sullivan (La Verne), Christine Geltz (Monrovia), Diane Cullinane M.D., (Pasadena), Diane Williams (Rancho Cucamonga), Laurie Brandler (San Dimas), Nancy Shollenberger (Sierra Madre), Laura Farber (South Pasadena) and Beatrice Casagran (Upland). The women were recognized for their service that has made a positive impact in the community. Tournament of Roses President and South Pasadena resident Laura Farber was chosen as our Woman of the Year for the 41st Assembly District.

Lastly, I was proud to be part of the #KeepthePromiseRally that called on Governor Newsom to support our efforts to keep services open to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. This year, we are requesting an 8% budget increase to keep the doors open for our service providers who do incredible work that is so important to our families with intellectual or developmental disabilities.

— Chris Holden

Assemblyman Holden represents some 420,000 people in the foothills communities. He can be reached via his website at: www.asm.ca.gov/holden and fill out the contact form.

L A County's Vote Center Project

In 2020, Los Angeles County will transition from polling places to vote centers. The vote center model is the result of the passage of SB 450, which implemented the California Voter's Choice Act. Five counties: Madera, Napa, Nevada, Sacramento and San Mateo have already moved to the vote center model. Orange County will be moving to the vote center model at the same time as L A County.

A vote center is the facility where you vote. They replace traditional polling places. Vote centers will be open 11 days, starting 10 days before the election, with an increased number opening starting 4 days prior. Voters will be able to mark and cast their ballot at any vote center in the County. You will no longer be limited to an assigned polling place.

Security The Ballot Marking Device (BMD) is the device that voters will use to mark their ballot. BMDs will be found inside all the vote centers. BMDs have no internet, WiFi or blue tooth connections. They use a paper ballot for security, voter verification, auditing and recounts. This is not electronic voting.

Staffing Vote centers will be staffed by Registrar assigned vote center staff. The staffing model will likely consist of a combination of community members (similar to poll workers), County employees, and Registrar staff. Unlike poll workers, vote center staff will work over a period of several days due to the longer voting period.

Vote-by-Mail Vote-by-Mail (VBM) will remain unchanged. It is still available for any voter who wishes to use that method of voting. Improvements include a redesigned VBM ballot that is more user friendly and the addition of VBM drop-off boxes throughout the County. You may still mail your ballot – in a postage-paid envelope – if you wish.

Ballot Counting During the 11-day voting

period, in-person ballots cast will be returned to Norwalk at the end of each day. Ballots will then be prepped and readied for tallying at 8 p.m. on election day. (No ballots will be counted prior to the close of polls on Election Day.) The ballots will be counted in a secure facility on an independent vote tabulation system. There is a clear chain of custody.

Vote Center Locations The County is evaluating an initial list of 2,000 possible sites and expects to have a final list of about 1,000 sites. Some will be in Pasadena, Altadena, Sierra Madre and other local communities. Locations are being determined by an ongoing process.

Thanks to Jeff Klein of the County Registrar-Recorder. The above is drawn from his presentation at the April 4 ACT/ADC meeting. For more information, visit VSAP.lavote.net. There you can follow the implementation of this new voting system and find ways you can be involved.



ACT & ADC 2019 Meeting Calendar

Our meetings continue to be on the first Thursday of the month, with just a few exceptions*. Meetings are called to order at 7:30 p.m. after time for socializing beginning at 7 p.m.

- Thursday, May 2
- May, date TBD, Public Forum on Utilities
- Thursday, June 6
- Sunday, June 9, ACT's 46th Anniversary Celebration
- Thursday, July 11*
- Thursday, August 1
- Thursday, September 12*
- Thursday, October 3
- Thursday, November 7
- Thursday, December 5



Garber, *continued from page three*

As we approach the 2020 election such an organization could work together to rent buses or form car pools to Arizona to help flip the Senate and capture the AZ electoral votes. As we are not aware of all the Progressive organizations that are out there please let me know if you're involved with an organization who would like to be involved in such an endeavor. Stay tuned to this column for future news on this project.



The State Of Current Volunteer Opportunities

At the very end of March I put a feeler out to all the 2018 GOTV postcarding groups asking them if they would like me to develop a new postcard program to get Mark Kelly elected as Senator for Arizona. I hadn't planned on starting this project until after next year's Arizona primary because it wasn't a done deal that Kelly was going to be the Democratic nominee, but his only rival decided to back Kelly's nomination and instead return to Congress in his safely held Democratic seat. As I reported last month there are many reasons why I've chosen the Kelly Senate race but the most important is that, like in last years' Congressional races, we can also combine the postcards with trips to Phoenix (just 6 hours by car) to canvass and many have approached me with that in mind.

After advising the 4 Democratic Party Clubs to which I belong, I made contact with the Kelly Campaign in the person of Chase Hardin who is their Political Manager. While he appreciates our interest he has asked me to wait until they have fully staffed and started their campaign. We agreed to keep in touch and I have advised our postcard volunteers to continue with the VRBM (Voter Registration By Mail) program being run by Edwenna Werner and Bonner Meudell of San Gabriel Valley

Swing Left. Look to this column for further updates.

— Ron Garber



Pasadena Commission on the Status of Women

*Our thanks to Jessica Rivas, Vice-Chair of the Pasadena Commission on the Status of Women, for providing these highlights from her presentation at the March 7 ACT meeting (in honor of Women's History Month) for **Phoenix** readers.*

Mission - To advise City Council on the special needs and concerns of women of all ages, races, ethnic and cultural backgrounds, religious convictions, and economic and social circumstances.

Present & Past

- Survivor's Guide published by the Commission since 1982. Directory of resources available within the City, both public and private. In English and Spanish. Important that it is available as a hard copy for those who don't have internet access; Junior League compiled a similar list of resources (pasadena-help.com). Partnering with Junior League to update and vet all the info. Planning to publish new version this summer.

(<https://www.cityofpasadena.net/wp-content/uploads/SURVIVAL-GUIDE-2016-2018.pdf>)

- Denim Day Proclamation Ensure that City formally acknowledges denim day with a proclamation and encourages employees to wear jeans to work. This year, City's proclamation will be at the April 15th City Council meeting. Denim Day is on April 24th this year.

(<https://www.denimdayinfo.org/>)

- Annual Women's History Day Event held on March 21st.

(<https://www.facebook.com/events/405806983318725/>)

Future

- Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women – Exploring whether the Commission should suggest that the City Council adopt some or all of the provisions of CDAW, as other local public entities have done since the US has signed, but not ratified the treaty. (<https://www.ohchr.org/en/-/professionalinterest/pages/cedaw.aspx>)
- Fundraising – Exploring ways to fundraise so we can print more Survival Guides and host

more events in furtherance of our mission.

- Celebration of 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th amendment (2020) – Mayor has asked the Commission to be a part of the City's committee for planning the City's celebrations. Still very early, but we are excited to be a part of planning process.

Commission Schedule - 2nd Monday of every month

Thanks everyone!

— Jess

2019 Membership Renewal

A red check on your address label on this *Phoenix* tells you that we have not yet received your 2019 membership renewal check.

You may use the form below, or renew online at www.ACTpasadena.org, or [respond to the renewal letter](#). (And why not join both groups at the bargain rate while you are at it?)

P.S. If you have any questions about your membership contact Jon Fuhrman at 626-864-5255 or at jon_fuhrman@outlook.com.

I'd like to join both groups for one low price! (Checks payable to ACT/ADC)

\$40	Single	\$70	Single Sustaining
\$25	Each additional member per household	\$90	Double Sustaining
\$15	Student or limited income	\$150	Patron
		\$275	Benefactor

I'd like to join ACT (Checks payable to ACT)

\$35	Single	\$60	Single Sustaining
\$20	Each additional member per household	\$85	Double Sustaining
\$15	Student or limited income	\$125	Patron
\$20	Gift Membership (NEW!)	\$275	Benefactor

I'd like to join the Arroyo Democratic Club (Checks payable to ADC)

\$35	Single	\$60	Single Sustaining
\$20	Each additional member per household	\$85	Double Sustaining
\$15	Student or limited income	\$125	Patron
		\$275	Benefactor

Extra Contribution

\$ _____ Political Account (for endorsed candidates and issues)
 \$ _____ Operating Account (for organizational costs) \$ _____ **Total enclosed**

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Mail to ACT, P. O. Box 40074, Pasadena, CA 91114-7074

Information provided will be available to other members and endorsed candidates upon request.

Welcome New and Returning ACT Members:

William & Catherine Caton, Pasadena
 David Fertig, Pasadena
 Linda Ledeen Schwartz, Pasadena
 Wendy Munger & Leonard Gumport,
 Pasadena
 Tracy Van Houten, Pasadena
 Leonard Zane, Arcadia

Special Thanks to Sustaining Members

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ACT's Website

Please check www.ACTpasadena.org, ACT's webpage: for the current online edition (and previous editions) of *The Phoenix* (in color and sometimes with items we couldn't fit into the print edition).

Bruce Wright, our website manager, has created a Presidential Primary page that lists local events for presidential candidates.

Please let Bruce know of any local presidential event dates he can add to the page at brucewright@sbcglobal.net.

Thanks for Additional Contributions to ACT's Operating Account

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Gail Bardin
Sue Basmajian
Roberta Cole
Mary Copperud
David Fertig
Andrea Gordon
Dolores Hickambottom
Pam & Martin Miller-Hessel
Connie O'Donnell
Suzanne Spillane & Michael Duran
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Apr May

Calendar

- April 15
Monday
7:30 p.m. Fundraising Committee Meeting at the home of Fred and Jeanne Register, 2438 Highland Ave., Altadena.
- April 16
Tuesday
7 p.m. UDH Steering Meeting at the home of Karen Wingard, 737 S. Magnolia Ave., Pasadena.
- April 19
Friday
9-10 a.m. Progressive Discussion Group at Dupar's Restaurant, 214 S. Lake Ave. Pasadena. Details inside. Also May 3 and 17.
- May 2
Thursday
7 p.m. ACT Steering and ADC Meeting at the home of Tom and Monica Hubbard, 1843 Pepper Drive, Altadena. Socializing 7 p.m.; meeting 7:30 p.m.

- May TBD Public Forum on Utilities.
- May 31 –
June 2
Fri - Sun California Democratic Party State Convention, San Francisco.
- June 6
Thursday
7 p.m. ACT Steering and ADC Meeting with PPD Chief Perez.
- June 9
Sunday
2-4 p.m. **Save the Date!** ACT's 46th Anniversary Fundraising Party.



May *Phoenix* Deadline

The deadline for the May *Phoenix* is Sunday evening, May 5. Please send items for publication to Chuck at hains27@sbcglobal.net.

