



Bellaire Democrats

Newsletter

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General Meeting of Bellaire Democrats on Tuesday, May 27th, 2003.

7:00 pm in the Bellaire Room of the Mason Jar Restaurant, 5125 Bellaire Blvd - 6:30 Social

Our speaker will be Gerry Birnberg, Chair of the Harris County Democratic Party. All members of the Bellaire Democrats are invited, as well as anyone interested in the Club. (Please bring a friend!) The Mason Jar Restaurant is located behind the Community National Bank at the corner of Bellaire Blvd. and So. Rice Avenue. Happy Hour runs until 7 pm. Refreshments will be available, and attendees are also encouraged to stay for dinner after the meeting.

"In the councils of government, we must guard against the acquisition of unwarranted influence, whether sought or unsought, by the military-industrial complex."

President Dwight D. Eisenhower
Farewell Address
January 17, 1961

"A billion here, a billion there, sooner or later it adds up to real money."

U. S. Senator Everett Dirksen

Hello Fellow Democrats,

This is perhaps my last time to address you as the President of the club, and it has been an honor to serve you in this capacity. As many of you know, I am also the Senate District 17 chair, and I intend to work very hard in that role to help the entire Senate District improve voter turn-out, elect more Democrats, and assure that all Precinct chairs are in place and doing grassroots efforts to assure ongoing success.

I know this is a difficult time to be a Democrat as we watch and listen to news that goes against much of what we believe in and as we witness policy and laws change to match the more conservative, Republican agenda. It is difficult to experience the downturn in the economy and the reduction of jobs and feel anything other than frustration. Obviously we should not be sitting quietly or without action and allowing it to happen, and I am reassured in knowing that many of you are actively writing and talking to the elected officials and sharing your concerns regarding specific legislation as well as the overall agenda that seems to be slowly deteriorating our nation.

I am confident and optimistic that, in spite of the polls showing popularity of the President, the voting public are carefully watching and waiting for results that positively affect families, education, jobs, justice, reform, and a better quality of life for all Americans. Our job as Democrats is to help define the differences between our party and the other alternatives by sharing information with our friends, family and neighbors.

Grassroots will make the difference in success or failure as we work to assure that Democrats are elected to office in the coming months and years. The Bellaire Democrats organization is a perfect example where members can become involved in leadership and make a huge difference in helping elect Democrats. Even if you have no experience as a leader, if you desire to help create positive change, then please consider stepping forward and allowing your name to be a nominee for our steering committee. The work is not that difficult or time consuming, but the results can be amazingly powerful in making a difference for our community and our children. Call me today and let me know you will serve (713-501-3231) or email me at jctow@hotmail.com.

We all owe it ourselves to take back control of our government and dedicate ourselves to the ideals of justice for all, jobs for all, and an America where all people are valued. Religion is not something that the Republicans own; the Democrats are equally religious or spiritual. However, we recognize that not all Americans are Christian and that religious freedom, freedom of speech, and free enterprise are part of our history as well. We must reclaim the ideals that we are a free people, free to protest, free to believe differently than our neighbor, free to worship in our own way, and free to organize to assure democracy is protected for generations to come.

Let Freedom Ring!
Coy Tow
President - Bellaire Democrats

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Annual Meeting and Election of Officers

The Election of Officers for the coming year is scheduled to be held at the General Meeting on May 27th. All positions will be open for nominations from the floor. PLEASE consider devoting a small amount of your time to this cause. The Club needs volunteers if it's going to continue to function as a viable platform for Democratic Party views in the Bellaire area. If you are interested in participating in the Bellaire Democrats, please contact Coy Tow at (713)663-7200 or email him at jctow@hotmail.com. Information on the various offices can be found on the inside pages of this newsletters. Volunteers are needed for various committees as well.

Status Report – Texas Legislature

Contact Information

As this newsletter was being prepared, the Texas Legislative session is entering its final month, led by a Republican majority for the first time since Reconstruction. Lawmakers are grappling with critical and controversial issues including school finance reform, tort reform, homeowners' and medical malpractice insurance, school vouchers, health care and reproductive rights, and redistricting, to name a few.

No issues have been more important than the development of an appropriations bill in the face of a \$9.9 billion deficit—and a vow by Governor Rick Perry and other Republicans of no new taxes. As of this writing, the House and the Senate have passed separate bills that cut public education, health care for children and the poor, public school security, programs for substance abusers, higher education, benefits to state employees and retirees, school textbooks, enforcement of child support payments, and other social services—the difference is in the magnitude and placement of the cuts. The worst part is that most of the cuts directly or indirectly pass often greater costs on to the cities or school districts or future generations. Over the next weeks, the bills will be consolidated and whittled down to ensure Comptroller's certification—but there is little hope for many jeopardized services. (See article on health care cuts.)

Two critical Legislative issues deserve comment: Congressman Tom DeLay and his organization Texans for a Republican Majority have been pushing hard for Legislative redistricting. Current maps were drawn by a federal court in 2001, following failed attempts by the Legislature. Attorney General Greg Abbott has ruled that lawmakers can redraw congressional districts if they choose, but are under no obligation to do so. It can only be hoped that the Legislature will agree that other pressing Legislative issues serve the public's interests better than costly and divisive redistricting.

Also, Texas Democratic Party Chairwoman Molly Beth Malcolm has called attention to the assault on Texas women launched by Republican legislators. Republican bills under consideration deny prenatal care, cut poor women off state assistance if they give birth while on assistance, remove all state funding for family planning agencies, mandate a waiting period before termination of a pregnancy, and further restrict women's reproductive rights.

Bellaire Democrats are urged to stay informed on these critical issues that will be costing us for decades to come, to lobby legislators of both parties on last-minute bills, to join and contribute to city, county, and state Democratic organizations—and to put their efforts into getting Democrats back into the State Legislature!!

HEALTHCARE: IT IS ONLY "ESSENTIAL" FOR THOSE WHO CAN AFFORD IT

Perhaps you think healthcare for children is essential. Texas Lieutenant Governor David Dewhurst begs to differ. Referring to the biennial budget approved by the Texas Senate on April 29, 2003, Dewhurst said, "We've focused on maintaining our core essential services." The budget proposal pushed through by the Republican majority includes massive cuts in healthcare and other services. Republicans stood by their vow of no new taxes, faced with an almost \$10 billion deficit.

Children's healthcare is not the only item targeted as "non-essential." Both House and Senate budget proposals include reductions in healthcare statewide. Pre-natal care for pregnant women, in-home care for the elderly and disabled, medical benefits for retired teachers, and prescription drugs assistance for elderly persons are gone or drastically cut.

The proposals inevitably mean higher local taxes and increased costs for counties and taxpayers. Senator Jon Lindsey, R-Houston, warned of significant cost increases for local healthcare providers and increased property taxes in Harris County, as well as increases in the state sales tax and the cigarette tax.

Even without proposed cuts, the state of Texas healthcare is shameful. *Texas leads the nation in percentage of uninsured people.* Texas is 39th in per capita state and local healthcare spending and 35th in Medicaid child coverage. (Statistics compiled by ProTex: Network for a Progressive Texas).

Two "non-essential" programs are Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). Enacted by Congress in 1997, CHIP is designed to help children in working families with incomes too high to qualify for Medicaid but too low to afford private family coverage. Children enrolled in CHIP are eligible for immunizations, regular checkups, eyeglasses, dental care, doctor visits, prescription drug coverage and hospital care. Families with incomes at or below 200 percent of the federal income guidelines are eligible for CHIP.

Healthcare: *Cont'd on pg. 4)*

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<http://taxpolicycenter.org> - Independent economic and tax information

<http://www.moveon.org> - grassroots anti-war site

<http://democrats.senate.gov/> - Senate Democrats site

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Let's Not Be Caught Sleepwalking Through History

These are dark and crazy times for Democrats. At every turn, intelligent arguments are offered against the policies and actions of the Bush administration--while polls reveal this president's popularity as high as 77% and support signs pop up all over Bellaire and the nation--confirming the adage that "military victory begets political strength," regardless of the circumstances and the costs. Some of the often absurd issues facing us as we prepare this newsletter:

Our administration initiated a revolutionary doctrine of preemption--against Iraq--without concern for the rule of law, the United Nations, key countries, or serious diplomatic efforts.

The president successfully sold the country on the necessity of this war as part of the "war on terrorism," with no evidence to connect Iraq with the events of 9/11. And as war began and the economy slipped further, Congress spent our time and money changing the name of French fries to "freedom fries."

What happened to freedom of speech? Those objecting to the unilateral, pre-emptive war found themselves accused of a lack of patriotism, of not understanding that Saddam was a bad guy, of supporting the enemy. In the words of Eric Foner of Columbia University and David Kennedy of Stanford University on National Public Radio: "To impugn the patriotism of somebody because they may criticize the conduct of the government that has lead us into war really shows a lack of understanding of what democracy is all about." "You could argue...that America, by its very definition, is dissent.... It's deep in our national DNA, in our bone marrow, that we are a questioning and dissenting and critical people, and one hopes we never become otherwise."

Post-war Iraq is inevitably presenting terrible challenges: Tom Friedman has observed, "America broke Iraq; now America owns Iraq, and it owns the primary responsibility for normalizing it...if we don't, it's now America's fault...." Bush has thus far demonstrated a history of "Conquest and Neglect"--his people are good at conquest--Afghanistan, tax cut, elections...then walking away and leaving the bill. How will the management of Iraq evolve without the United Nations and with growing animosity from the Iraqi people? Will restoration of oil fields and oil revenues continue to be based on contracts offered to friends like Halliburton and Bechtel, in secrecy and without bids?

Conflicts of interest flourish unabated: A report by the Center for Public Integrity revealed that at least 9 of the 30 members of the Defense Policy Board have connections to companies that won more than \$76 billion in defense contracts in 2001 and 2002. The Defense Policy Board is charged with providing the Secretary of Defense, Donald Rumsfeld, "with independent, informed advice and opinion concerning major matters of defense policy." (For more information, see www.PBS.org – NOW with Bill Moyers)

The Bush administration continues to radically expand executive branch powers, many under the radar, following the 2001 USA Patriot Act: They refuse to release Patriot Act-related records to Congress; Cheney is now authorized to determine which documents to release; the Domestic Security Enhancement Act of 2003 (Patriot Act II) expanding executive powers is released stealthily; the Total Information Awareness program invades the privacy and restricts expression of all citizens; U. S. citizens are detained indefinitely; citizens and immigrants not charged with crimes are deported; librarians have begun posting warnings on library computers: "Beware, anything you read is now subject to secret scrutiny by federal agents." (For more information, see The Center for Public Integrity website at www.publicintegrity.org)

The reversal of environmental protections continues. On April 10, the House passed an energy policy allowing drilling for oil in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge and providing tax breaks for energy companies--but defeated an amendment to require a 5% reduction in fuel use by motor vehicles, including no requirements for meaningful improvements in fuel economy. The Senate takes up the energy bill in May; the Democrats vow to filibuster.

The Supreme Court considers the future of affirmative action in a landmark case brought against the University of Michigan, a case that has evoked 102 briefs filed by groups including the White House, 21 retired generals and admirals, and dozens of Fortune 500 companies – of which 78 support affirmative action in education, arguing the need for well-trained minority candidates as essential to the nation's economic success. How will the current Supreme Court respond to such a groundswell from the Establishment?

And--our most urgent concern of all: the Economy. The ultra-establishment Committee for Economic Development has warned that "a fiscal crisis threatens our future standard of living." Current estimates put the 10-year federal deficit at at least \$10 Trillion. Bush is uncompromising in his determination to continue cutting taxes (to the rich) in light of this deficit and the unknown costs of the war and reconstruction of Iraq. Several Republican Senators helped reduce his latest proposal to \$350 billion, but Bush and his cronies are lobbying for at least \$550 billion of the \$726 proposed. Layoffs are continuing: 2.6 million jobs have vanished since the nation's payrolls peaked two years ago; .5 million jobs have been lost in the last three months. As this newsletter goes to press, unemployment stands at 6 %, not including those who've given up looking or taken part-time jobs. (See related article on Debt and the Deficit.)

Bellaire Democrats Hear Harris County Democratic Party Official at General Meeting

The Bellaire Democrats met March 18, 2003 in the Bellaire Room of the Mason Jar Restaurant to hear Virginia Iloff, Volunteer Coordinator for the Harris County Democratic Party. Ms. Iloff emphasized membership and involvement in the Harris County Democrats through their committees and through Voter Registration. A Brown Bag Lunch to provide information on Voter Registration is planned at the Headquarters at 2404 LaBranch, and other Lunches will be planned throughout the year. The Bellaire Democrats encourage involvement in these activities. For more information see www.hcdp.org on the web or call 713-739-7785.

Amendments to the Club Constitution and Bylaws passed by a unanimous vote. The Constitution now calls for dues to be paid annually, payable by May 31st of each year for the next membership year.

Also, by a narrow margin, Bellaire Democrats voted to support a resolution by the Democratic Anti-War Group opposing a unilateral pre-emptive war against Iraq. Those voting against the resolution had concerns about the organization proposing it, but indicated support for its sentiments.

A Primer on National Debt

We hear a lot about “deficit spending” and “the national debt.” While most of us know that acquiring debt in our personal lives can be risky, we may not be aware of what the national debt really means, or how it can affect our future. **Currently the national debt is \$6.4 trillion and growing.** A few facts may help us understand what this means.

- The **deficit** is the difference between what the federal government takes in each fiscal year from taxes and other revenues (receipts) and the amount of money the government spends (outlays). Deficits are created when the outlays are greater than the receipts.
- The **national debt** is the cumulative sum of the outstanding debt obligations of the United States; i.e., the accumulated total of all the government budget deficits of past years less the accumulated total of all the budget surpluses.

The federal government borrows money by selling notes, bonds, savings bonds, and T-bills (IOUs). The government owes the bearers of these 'securities' for the value of that security, plus interest. Who owns the debt, i.e. who does the federal government owe all this money to?

- \$3.7 trillion is public debt held by individuals, corporations, state or local governments, foreign governments, and other entities outside of the United States government.
- \$2.7 trillion is intragovernmental holdings. For example, the federal government borrows from the Social Security Trust Funds by issuing (selling) special issue Treasury bonds to the SS Trust Fund, which then treats these Treasury bonds as "assets" of the fund. The government also oversees numerous other trust funds, such as the Highway Trust Fund, the Inland Waterways Trust Fund, Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund, etc. Revenues for these funds usually come from levies on users, like taxes on gasoline or tires. These funds are used for building roads, or dams, or to clean up oil spills, and if available, they are “invested” by the Secretary of the Treasury in government securities (intragovernmental holdings) and used to pay the bills (yep, one part of the government owes another part of the government...).

Interest paid on the national debt for 2002 was over \$332.5 billion - about \$911 million per day for interest! And that's at some of the lowest interest rates in 40 years. Interest on the national debt always constitutes one of the largest spending categories in the federal budget. And it continues to grow as long as the debt grows and remains unpaid.

What does all this debt mean for Americans?

- It means there was \$332.5 billion less to spend on government programs last year--and less available each month as long as we run these deficits. As the national debt increases and as interest rates rise (as they are bound to), more and more resources will be required to service the interest on the debt, leaving less for other needs, much less for paying down the debt.
- It means that we are passing the cost of our extravagance on to future generations for payment. Borrowing to pay for defense or for government salaries or for pork, as we're doing now, doesn't build up capital or assets, as it would if the funds were borrowed for repair of our infrastructure or to disburse to the states for renovation and construction of schools, hospitals, clinics, roads, bridges, and such (and providing jobs, as well).
- It also means the government is competing with private industry for funds, crowding out corporate borrowers, especially small businesses, when investors choose to put their funds into government securities rather than invest in private companies. Companies who want to expand must then pay higher interest rates on their corporate securities in order to interest prospective investors, causing a rise in interest rates.

Consider this: "The deterioration of the government's fiscal position was underscored yesterday when the Congressional Budget Office released a new estimate of the cost of President Bush's budget plan. Without any of the president's spending or tax proposals or a war with Iraq, the government would run a 2003 deficit of \$246 billion, a figure that is \$47 billion -- or 24 percent -- higher than the deficit that the CBO projected just two months ago." (Jonathan Weisman, Washington Post, 3/8/03)

And this: “...(Alan Greenspan, Chairman of the Federal Reserve Board) reiterated his warnings that growing budget deficits could ultimately raise interest rates, and undermine the stimulus tax cuts would give the economy. Earlier this year the Fed chief angered Republicans by questioning the need for these cuts with interest rates already at four-decade lows, and alluding to the dangers of rising budget shortfalls.” (Joann Morrison for Reuters, 4/30/03)

Please write, email, or call your Congressional Representatives and Senators. Tell them you're concerned about deficit spending and the increase in the national debt, and ask them to vote against more tax cuts and costly wars. We've got enough problems already!

Healthcare: (Cont'd from pg. 2)

That includes sixty percent of uninsured Texans (\$36,200 for a family of four). One-fourth of Texans live *below* Federal poverty guidelines (\$18,400 for a family of four).

Proposed changes in CHIP enrollment include a 90-day waiting period and a requirement to reapply every six months, with no provision to streamline the notoriously complicated enrollment process. Services proposed for elimination include dental, mental health, physical therapy, substance abuse treatment and wheelchairs. “Savings” will come through the estimated reduction in CHIP enrollment by over 100,000 children by 2005 and by reducing enrollment growth in Medicaid by 298,000.

Perhaps the most unjustifiable aspect of this “cost-saving” budget is the loss of federal dollars. For every dollar spent under CHIP and Medicaid programs, Texas receives between \$1.5 and \$2.57 in federal matching funds. Think about it: by spending less we lose more!

By fulfilling their “no new taxes” pledge, but providing “core essential services,” the Republicans are giving us **increased sales tax, higher property tax, less healthcare for fewer people and the loss of millions in available federal funds.** As a bonus we get **more sick kids in school, more worried parents missing work, more seriously ill people on the streets, more abandoned elderly and disabled, and more overloads at county hospitals.**

The Senate’s proposal must be reconciled with the House’s, which calls for even greater cuts in services. Given that the Senate has the “kinder gentler” proposal, we can be certain that when a final budget emerges from the conference committee it will be essentially hardhearted.

What's a Concerned (and Scared) Democrat to DO?

The simple—and hard—answer is: We need a regime change at all levels. Well, today is the day to start. The steps are simple—and hard:

Stay as informed as possible. This can be difficult, given the reality that 90% of media sources are owned by five companies, usually big contributors and lobbyists to public officials. Diversify and broaden your information sources. A few suggested sources include (please let us know if you have others):

- National Public Radio (KUHF-88.7 FM), BBC and Democracy Now with Amy Goodman (locally on Pacifica, KPFT-FM, 90.1)
- Public Broadcasting System (PBS Channel 8), particularly NOW with Bill Moyers (Friday, 8 p.m.), Washington Week with Gwen Ifill (Friday, 7 p.m.), Frontline (Thursday, 9 p.m.)
- New York Times - in print and online (www.nytimes.com), The Guardian online (www.guardian.co.uk)
- Other Websites – There are many good ones, including the few referenced in our newsletters, as well as these activist ones: www.moveon.org and www.truemajority.com

Get involved – at the local, county, state, and/or national levels. This includes offering your services as an officer in the Bellaire Democrats today. Contact Coy Tow at ctow@sbcglobal.net

Recruit new voters. Eleanor Holmes Norton recently referred to the “money left on the table” by the Democrats – the non-registered and/or non- or not-yet voters. She suggests that these will be Democrats. Work for voter registration. Talk to your neighbors and friends. Do what you can to get more people to participate in our democratic process.

Pay particular attention to presidential candidates. The announced candidates are: John Kerrey, Senator from Massachusetts; Joseph Lieberman, Senator from Connecticut; John Edwards, Senator from North Carolina; Dick Gephardt, Congressman from Missouri; Howard Dean, M.D., former Governor of Vermont; Bob Graham, Senator from Florida; Dennis Kucinich, Congressman from Ohio; Carol Moseley Braun, former Senator from Illinois; The Rev. Al Sharpton, founder of the Harlem-based National Action Network. Learn everything you can about them. Help get one of them into the White House!

We are all busy – too busy. So we tend to live on CNN sound bites and local headlines. But if we believe that the times are urgent, they require urgent efforts on our parts. Now is the time to stay well informed, to keep up with the policies – announced and below the radar – of our federal government and of our governments at all levels. As Bellaire Democrats President Coy Tow has reminded us: *We are a government of the people.* Let's not forget that!

Election of Officers To Be Held on May 27th

All offices are up for election—please attend the General Meeting on May 27th and consider running for office. All nominations from the floor will be accepted if seconded. All current members who have been members in good standing for three months are eligible (please make certain your dues are paid and current). Serving on the Executive Committee takes very little time, and it's a great way to participate!

The **President** shall preside at all meetings and be the official spokesperson for the Executive Committee and for the organization. The President shall create committees as needed and shall appoint their members and chairpersons, with the consent of the Executive Committee. The President shall have the power to call special meetings. The President shall be the official spokesperson at all meetings or gatherings with other Democratic organizations, Democratic officeholders, and/or candidates seeking office.

The **First Vice President** shall preside in the absence of the President. The First Vice President shall additionally be responsible for arrangements of membership meeting locations and programs.

The **Second Vice President** presides in the absence of both the President and First Vice President. The Second Vice President shall additionally be responsible for planning and implementing special and social events.

The **Secretary** shall keep the minutes of all meetings and be prepared to report those minutes at the next scheduled meeting if requested by the President. The Secretary shall make such records available to all officers as requested. The Secretary shall additionally be responsible for coordinating publicity for the organization through newsletters and/or in the media.

The **Treasurer** shall receive and deposit all moneys of the organization and shall record all financial transactions and report them to the Executive Committee and the general membership. Membership dues received by the Treasurer shall determine active membership status and the Treasurer shall supervise the accuracy of membership records. The Treasurer shall additionally be appointed by the President to be the Treasurer of the Bellaire Democrats Political Action Committee and be responsible for filing all reports required by law with the Texas Ethics Commission.

The **Parliamentarian/Sergeant at Arms** shall help keep order at the meetings, as may be needed, and use Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised, to make sure proper parliamentary procedures are maintained during all meetings when requested by the President.

NOTE: Dues for all members are payable effective June 1.

(The full text of the Bellaire Democrats Constitution and Bylaws can be found on our website)

(Sources for articles in this newsletter include various mainstream media including The New York Times, TIME Magazine, PBS, NPR, and various U. S. Government data sources which are available online. Search via Google is suggested.)

Become a Member of Bellaire Democrats, or Renew Your Current Membership

I wish to join or renew my membership in the Bellaire Democrats.

Annual Dues: \$ 15.00 Per Year

Date: _____

Name _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (h) _____ (w) _____ Personal email: _____

Occupation: _____ (Optional for contributions of less than \$50)

I will: (check each box that applies)

- Attend Meetings - add me to you notice list
- Give permission to receive email notices at home (not at employer address)
- Volunteer for Club committee work
- Volunteer for Democratic candidate campaigns
- Volunteer for Harris County Democratic Party projects
- Serve as an Election Day precinct clerk in my precinct
- Other Interests or Skills _____

Please enclose your dues check made payable to Bellaire Democrats and send to:

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS for the upcoming year to be held at the

GENERAL MEETING ON MAY 27TH, 2003

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Please Get Involved - Your Skills and Knowledge are Needed!

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