



## Thank you, Volunteers!

All of you helped to elect our candidates in the most sweeping Democratic victory ever in California! Even those of you who primarily volunteered in losing campaigns (happily those were few and far between) helped all of the other Democratic candidates in California by getting out the Democratic vote!

Thanks also to the progressive, labor, women's, minorities, environmental, health care reform and other groups and individuals—even Republicans—who supported our Democratic candidates against the vehemently right-wing Republicans who are still attempting to subvert our Democracy!

Thank you ALL very much!

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Cliff Holliday speaking at his 100th Birthday Celebration at the Ken Nakaoka Community Center in Gardena. The hall was festooned with a rainbow of balloons. On the left is Cliff's grandson David Goodale (a very large man) and behind the lectern is Cliff's old friend and emcee, Inell Woods.

Photo by Jim McGreevy

## Cliff Holliday's 100th!

Family, friends, fellow activists and Gardena City officials and civic groups joined together to celebrate Cliff Holliday's 100th Birthday at the Ken Nakaoka Community Center on September 28th. Mayor Don Dear, Councilmembers Steve Bradford, Al DeFilipo and Jim Cragin, City Treasurer Larry Ybarra and City Clerk May Doi joined together to present Cliff with a Resolution celebrating his 100 years. Torrance Councilman George Nakano presented Cliff with a Resolution from the City of Torrance. Many other groups awarded Cliff for his many, many years of activism. Cliff has tirelessly worked for Neighborhood Watch, Universal Health Care and to save Social Security and Medicare from the Republicans who are out to destroy them, as he noted in his speech to the revellers.

The government of France, after commemorating the 80th anniversary of the Armistice that ended the first World War, announced that Cliff would be awarded the Legion d'Honneur for his

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### GENERAL MEETING NOTICE:

**Monday, January 18, 1999, 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM**  
**at the Ken Nakaoka Community Center**  
**1700 West 162nd Street (just east of Western Ave.)**  
**in Gardena, California**

**ENDORSEMENTS:** We will endorse candidates for office and discuss ballot propositions for the City of Gardena elections.

**WEEKLY BREAKFAST:** (Join us & chat about politics!)

**Every Sunday, 10:00 AM to 12:00 noon**  
**in the Normandie Casino Showroom (or Coffee Shop)**  
**1045 W. Rosecrans Ave. (just west of Vermont)**  
**in Gardena, California**

# Calendar

January 1999						
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**16-Saturday** 10:00 PM to 12:00 noon  
 Martin Luther King, Jr. , Parade  
 meet at: Junipero Serra High School  
 14830 Van Ness Avenue (at Marine)  
 The parade goes up Van Ness Ave. to  
 Rowley Park, where there will be a  
 program honoring the memory of  
 Martin Luther King, Jr.

**17-Sunday** 10:00 AM to 12:00 noon  
 GVDC Weekly Breakfast  
 at the Normandie Casino  
 1045 W. Rosecrans Avenue  
 in Gardena, California (We meet  
 either in the Casino Showroom or in  
 the Coffee Shop. Sorry, no-one under  
 21 years of age can attend.)

**18-Monday** Martin Luther King, Jr.,  
 Day

**18-Monday** 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM  
 GVDC General Meeting  
 at the Nakaoka Community Center  
 1700 West 162nd Street  
 in Gardena, California  
 Agenda: \_ Endorsements for City of  
 Gardena Elections

**19-Tuesday** 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM  
 President Bill Clinton's State of the Union  
 Address (starts at 6:00 PM)  
 Address-watching Party & Rally  
 at Ackerman Hall Grand Ballroom  
 on the UCLA Campus  
 in Westwood, California

**23-Saturday** 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM  
 California Democratic Council Southern  
 California Area Board Meeting  
 at the Carson Community Center  
 801 Carson Avenue  
 in Carson, California

**24-Sunday** 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM  
 GVDC Weekly Breakfast (see Jan. 17)

**30-Saturday** 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM  
 California Democratic Council State  
 Board Meeting  
 in Fresno, California

**31-Sunday** 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM  
 GVDC Weekly Breakfast (see Jan. 17)

February 1999						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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**1-Monday** 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM  
 GVDC Executive Board meeting  
 at the Nakaoka Comm. Center  
 1700 West 162nd Street  
 in Gardena, California

**7-Sunday** 10:00 AM-12:00 PM  
 GVDC Weekly Breakfast (see Jan. 17)

**9-Tuesday** 7:00 PM-10:00 PM  
 Los Angeles County Democratic Central  
 Committee  
 at the Dept. of Water & Power  
 111 North Hope Street  
 in downtown Los Angeles, CA

**14-Sunday** 10:00 AM-12:00 PM  
 GVDC Weekly Breakfast (see Jan. 17)

**15-Monday** Presidents' Day

**15-Monday** 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM  
 GVDC General Meeting  
 at the Nakaoka Community Center  
 1700 West 162nd Street  
 in Gardena, California

**21-Sunday** 10:00 AM-12:00 PM  
 GVDC Weekly Breakfast (see Jan. 17)

**28-Sunday** 10:00 AM-12:00 PM  
 GVDC Weekly Breakfast (see Jan. 17)

More at [www.lafn.org](http://www.lafn.org) / politics / gvdc

## DO-NOTHING REPUBS

The 105th Congress, under Speaker Newt Gingrich, produced less legislation than any Congress this century! The most lasting legislation they passed was to rename the Washington International Airport the "Ronald Reagan Airport." The only Congress that even comes CLOSE to this DO-NOTHING CONGRESS was the 104th Congress, also led by Speaker Newt Gingrich.

The Chair of the Joint Chiefs of Staff of the United States Armed Forces along with other members of the Joint Chiefs testified before a House Committee that Newt Gingrich and the Senate Majority Leader, Trent Lott (also a Republican), have WEAKENED the security of the United States by authorizing weapons systems that the Pentagon doesn't even want! They singled out the decades-old Lockheed C-130 transport aircraft—built in then-Speaker Gingrich's Congressional District—an aircraft which the Pentagon no longer wants to procure. These unwanted C-130s are flown to an air base in Mississippi (Senator Trent Lott's State) that the Pentagon wants to close down! While the Republican Congress authorized these pork-barrel projects for the Republican leaders, the Douglas Aircraft plant (now Boeing) in Long Beach—which builds the C-17 transport (that the Pentagon DOES want) was laying off workers. We had to fight to keep the C-17 program going!

Workers HERE paid the price—unemployment—for the Republican Leaders' pork barrel politics!

# Congratulations!

Congratulations to Governor Gray Davis on the great start to his administration! And congratulations to Lt. Governor Cruz Bustamante, Attorney General Bill Lockyer, Treasurer Phil Angelides, Controller Kathleen Connell, Superintendent of Public Instruction Delaine Easton and Board of Equalization Member John Chiang on taking office!

Congratulations to Senator Barbara Boxer on her second term in Washington and best wishes to her in her fight against the impeachment of President Clinton.

And Congratulations to all of our local Democratic winners in Congress and the State Legislature: Congresswoman Maxine Waters, Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald, State Senator Kevin Murray, State Senator Debra Bowen, Assemblyman Edward Vincent, Assemblyman Carl Washington, Assemblyman George Nakano, Assemblyman Alan Lowenthal, Assemblyman Dick Floyd and Assemblywoman Sally Havice! Congratulations also to our neighbors, Congresswoman Loretta Sanchez and Congressman Brad Sherman, on their great victories after tough campaigns!

We look forward to great things from Sacramento, from progress on health care for all Californians to reinstatement of the 8-hour day to improving our children's education and protecting our coast and our environment!

We wish we could hope for more from Washington, D.C., but unfortunately the Republicans are

still in charge of the Congress. Well, almost anything would be an improvement over the last do-nothing Republican Congress, which accomplished even less the previous do-nothing Republican Congress, the former lack-of-record-holder. But this Republican Congress has started out by doing nothing at all to improve the future of our country, and is instead focused on the right-wing extremists' attempt to overturn the 1996 Presidential election!

While the Republicans have thought of almost nothing but impeachment over the past year (two years or more, in some cases), President Bill Clinton has focused on the business of our country and has balanced the Federal budget for the first time since Democratic President Lyndon Johnson's last year in office (fiscal 1969)! Remember that every last Republican in Congress in 1993 voted against the bill which finally led to a real balanced budget, following President Ronald Reagan's huge budget deficits and President George Bush's even more humongous budget deficits! Remember that Ronald Reagan was elected by PROMISING a balanced budget by 1983! Thank you, President Clinton, for DELIVERING a balanced budget in 1998! Hopefully we can start reducing our annual payments on the National Debt and spend the money for the good of ALL Americans! Move on!

*You can find a more complete & up-to-date Calendar on our Club's Website at:*

[www.lafn.org / politics / gvdc](http://www.lafn.org/politics/gvdc)

*Cliff Holliday being given a certificate by now-Assemblyman George Nakano at the Congress of California Seniors celebration of Cliff's 100th Birthday in L.A. on September 27th, 1998.*



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service in France during that war. Cliff served in the Canadian Army in the trenches of France. The 80th Anniversary of the Armistice ending the Great War was commemorated last November 11th by the President of France and by Queen Elizabeth II of the United Kingdom, along with a number of World War I veterans revisiting what remains of those trenches.

After the war, Cliff came to California where he helped pioneer movie lighting and adding sound to the "Talkies."

Cliff became politically active in the United States of America when Franklin Delano Roosevelt was President. Cliff was a strong supporter of President Roosevelt and of the Social Security system that was initiated by FDR.

Cliff has been a leader in the National Council of Senior Citizens (NCSC), the Congress of California Seniors and in the Gardena Valley Democratic Club for decades. He is one of the leaders in the fight against "privatizing" Social Security and Medicare. Last July at the FDR Memorial in Washington, DC, Cliff stood on the same NCSC podium as President Bill Clinton when he passed the Social Security Torch (literally) to our younger generation in the fight to preserve Social Security.

Cliff received a tremendous standing ovation for his long service to senior Americans and to our community.

# CENSURE THE PRESIDENT AND MOVE ON!

Everyone knows that President Clinton had a little affair—he admitted to it and apologized to his family long ago. There was nothing criminal about it. Ken Starr spent 5 years investigating President Clinton’s personal life, along with the lives of the President’s family and friends! He found the President innocent of everything he investigated! All that Starr had remaining to justify using 100 FBI agents for 5 years and spending \$40 million was to try and catch the President in a lie about that affair.

When Congressman Bob Barr , who has been linked along with Senator Trent Lott to a white supremacist group, asked Henry Hyde to start impeachment proceedings 2 years ago, every crime that he listed against the President has proven to be a lie! (Read his interview in the Aug. 4, 1997, John Birch Society magazine New American.) None of the original accusations appear in the Articles of Impeachment! So it seems that the only reason the right-wing Republicans have left to impeach the President is because they simply WANT to impeach him! They have used every parliamentary trick in the book, including just plain lying, along with manufactured “crimes,” to get President Clinton out of office by “The Millenium.” This is no Watergate. No forgeries. No bombs . No \$100,000 payoffs.

Censure the President and move on!

## GVDC ON THE WEB!

For the past three years our Club has maintained a website on the World Wide Web. We were one of the first Democratic Club websites to be listed by the Democratic National Committee! If you’ve got a computer at home you can visit our website at:

[www.lafn.org/politics/gvdc](http://www.lafn.org/politics/gvdc)

You can also check our Website for the latest news from your local library. Most libraries now have computers connected to the Internet, and the librarians will be happy to show you how to get to our website. Let us know your opinion when you get there!

### CLUB MEMBERSHIP

DO YOU:

- WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT LAWS ENACTED BY OUR STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT?
- WANT TO HELP MAKE OR CHANGE THESE LAWS?
- WANT TO HELP ELECT GOOD PEOPLE TO REALLY REPRESENT US?
- WANT TO BE A PART OF AN ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO THE ABOVE?

The Gardena Valley Democratic Club extends a welcome to all Democrats to join us. Our club has been instrumental in the success of Democrats here in Southern California. We are recognized as a powerful instrument that can be called upon by candidates and officials to assist, and sometimes to lead the promotion of laws and

candidates. On our own, we have pushed forward concepts that we feel should be included in our laws.

We meet once a month—on the third Monday of each month—for our General Meeting and once a month — on the first Monday—for our Executive Board meeting. The meetings are held at 7:30 PM at the Ken Nakaoka Center, 1700 West 162n Street, Gardena, CA.

Additionally, our club meets informally each Sunday morning at 10 AM in the Showroom of the Normandie Casino on Rosecrans Ave. between Denker and Vermont Avenues. Here, for \$5.00 (tip included) we have a substantial brunch and a friendly exchange of ideas and concerns. Nonmembers are welcome. Sorry, you must be at least 21 years of age to enter the Casino.

ANNUAL DUES ARE \$10 PER PERSON OR \$16 FOR TWO PEOPLE LIVING IN THE SAME HOME.

For more info call (310) 793-0189.

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**GARDENA VALLEY DEMOCRATIC CLUB**  
Chartered by the Los Angeles County Democratic Central Committee

Membership

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

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

City : \_\_\_\_\_ State : \_\_\_\_\_ Zip : \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address or Fax# : \_\_\_\_\_

\$10-Membership;  \$16-Two at same address; SUSTAINERS:  \$20  \$50  \$\_\_\_\_\_

*Please make checks payable to “Gardena Valley Democratic Club”*

Return to: GVDC, 15433 S. Catalina Ave., Gardena CA 90247

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