



BARBARA BOXER ON THE TRAIL IN DAVIS by Lis Felming

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Host Bob Schneider receiving authentic Boxer shorts



(l-r) Clair Black-Slotton, Bob Schelen, Bob Bockwinkel, Ann Meares, Lis Fleming, Jim Provenza

Davis Democrats and environmentalists gathered at the home of Liz Merry and Bob Schneider on June 18 to support Barbara Boxer. Senator Boxer awarded Bob Schneider the latest style of Boxer sports-shorts and Claire Black-Slotton a Boxer sleep-shirt with the motto, "With Boxer you'll sleep better at night." Her informative and entertaining 30-minute talk began with a short description of the "big picture" – the recession. We were reminded that Clinton not only built up surpluses but also created 23 million jobs, while Bush left the country with a deficit of about one trillion dollars.

We are turning things around, but not enough and not fast enough. "The ship of state was not built to turn around fast," she said. The HIRE Act creates jobs and so will green energy when effective caps on carbon pollution are in place. Creating jobs is an uphill battle with Republicans working to gut the Clean Energy Act and to repeal the HIRE Act.

The Murkowski attempt to legislate that carbon pollution is not a danger to health was barely defeated with a lot of hard work. Every Republican voted for it, even those who knew better, having been on committees working on the problem. "This is what I go through for

you," she quipped.

Senator Boxer acknowledged that she faces a tough race against "Princess Carly" (with a nod to "Queen Meg"). With huge amounts of money, ads have been going out hammering Boxer for six months while characterizing Fiorina as a fresh start without political "baggage," in other words, going back to the bad old days of deregulation and placing a person without the necessary qualifications in the US Senate. Fiorina claims that she created 30,000 jobs – and Boxer is responding, "Yes, she did create 30,000 jobs – in China!" While Boxer is endorsed by high ranking, experienced leaders, Fiorina is endorsed by -- "let's have a drumroll"-- Sarah Palin and is a "gun-toting, anti-choice" candidate who wants to overturn Roe vs. Wade. Boxer said the election issues boil down to the "big four" – Jobs, Environment, Choice and Guns.

Boxer just returned from a quiet trip to the Gulf of Mexico to see the disaster and to speak to the fishermen there. Even though these folks have lost their fishing livelihoods and their boats are docked for the foreseeable future, these people say that they want to have both fishing and oil drilling – it has been their lifestyle for a very long time. Boxer also visited two islands (Cat Island and Queen Bess Island) which "pulsated with wild-life" (pelicans, flamingos and many more) and with a rich and diverse plant life. Barriers had been placed around the islands, but evidently this was not done soon enough as oil was beginning to seep into these islands. Boxer is planning to announce in an interview with Bill Nelson on Face the Nation that she is proposing that the protection of Gulf islands and beaches be under

US Navy command. She contends that the Coast Guard cannot do it all; that rapid response is needed to get ahead of the problem.

With regard to clean energy and its huge potential for creating jobs and alleviating the economic recession, Boxer stated that with carbon caps we will have a strong economic recovery and without them, we won't. Right now the US is importing \$1 billion a day in dirty oil while the rest of the world, especially Europe and China are going green.

The talk ended with an amusing story about an unplanned on-air comment by Fiorina that Boxer's hair was "so yesterday." This garnered more attention in the press than the defeat of the Murkowski bill and prompted a non-political friend to state, "This is war!" "Now everyone who has had a bad hair day will vote for me," Barbara joked.

Boxer ended with a plea for donations to Friends of Barbara Boxer. It costs \$2 ½ million a week to put ads on TV – absolutely necessary these days. She has about one-half the funds needed to see her through the election. She also asked Democrats to get as many folks as possible to click onto www.barbaraboxer.com so she can add to the 900,000 email addresses already on her list. Also, there are great items for sale there – Babies for Boxer bibs, Barkers for Boxer bandanas, T-shirts, sleep-shirts, bumper stickers, campaign buttons – all good stuff. Also, please send whatever donations you can to Patty Murray, Maria Cantwell and other embattled Democrats who are so important to our cause. She ended with, "See you on the trail!"

UPDATE: Sen. Boxer will again appear in Davis (Delaine Eastin's home, 4228 Dogwood), Sat. July 31, 1:00-3:00pm;

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August 3: Tues. 7:00-9:00 pm DDC Board Meeting regular business meeting of the Board, all members invited. Odd Fellows Hall

August 21: Saturday 12:00-8:00pm Yolo County Fair. Club members are invited to volunteer to greet the public at the Democratic Party's information booth. This is a fun activity to include in your day at the County Fair. Contact Richard Yamagata 888-8634

August 26: Thursday 6:00-8:00pm Ice Cream Social. Enjoy ice cream and top pings served with soap box oratory at the home of Jerry and Teresa Kaneko 556 Reed Dr., Davis. Contact Jerry 756-2324

Sept. 19: Sunday Annual Yolo County Democratic Bean Feed, Veteran Memorial Hall. This annual event typically draws major guest speakers-Barbara Boxer

Fourth of July: Many Helped by Carl Schmid

The Club has hosted an information booth at Community Park prior to the July 4th fireworks for many years. (As a noteworthy detail, our Republican friends are always noticeably absent from this event.) During the last three years, we have distributed helium balloons (environmentally safe) to children as a way to introduce both the Club and local elected Democratic officials to young families. Assembly member Mariko Yamada (photo below) and Davis City Council members, Don Saylor, Joe Krovoza and Sue Greenwald each joined us in this popular activity. Mariko enjoyed greeting the public for several hours, and Sue alone distributed more than sixty balloons during the closing hour. In addition, new club members, Mr. and Mrs. Cardboard Obama (photo below), joined the fun providing a neat backdrop for families to commemorate their Fourth of July with a keepsake photo.

While the event is fun for all participants, it does involve being in the

park on a very hot day. In addition to the elected officials mentioned above, many Club members made this event a success including: Richard Yamagata, Barry Wilson, Pam Nieberg, Marilee Hanson, Bob Bockwinkel, Arun Sen, Bob Schelen, Bob Fairclough and Rick Gonzales.



Mariko Yamada handing our balloons, Arun Sen and Bob Bockwinkel (l-r) with Cardboard Barack and Cardboard Michelle in the background.



A view of Community Park on July Fourth with Pam Nieberg, Barry Wilson and Richard Yamagata staffing the Club booth

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Our Fall Election Campaign by Bob Schelen, Chair-Yolo County Democratic Central Committee

*You may have been hearing or reading that the Democrats are sure to lose the mid-term elections in 2010. **Don't believe it!***

This November, voters have a choice: they can return to the failed policies of the past, or they can continue building for a stronger future. America can go backward, or we can continue moving forward.

The stakes in this election are higher than ever at all levels. From electing allies to move the President's agenda forward, to making sure the Governor and the Legislature can work together in pursuit of Democratic ideal and policies, to seeing local programs have the resources available to succeed. In Yolo County, we will make the sure the Democratic message gets through, as we always do!!

To achieve this end, we are developing a strong grassroots campaign. We will have four headquarters, one each in Davis, Woodland, West Sacramento and Winters opening during August. Our plan to staff each of these headquarters with a professional, campaign coordinator under the purview of the full county coordinated campaign to make sure every person knows the agenda of our candidates in 2010 and that we are the party with a plan, opposing the party with NO plan.

The Yolo County Democratic Party in 2010 will focus on communicating with voters. We will be developing a neighborhood leader program that will ask active Democrats to bring their message to their neighbors. We will develop a strong Vote by Mail program with the goal of ensuring that for every Democrat, who requests an absentee ballot their mail ballot will be delivered in time to count.

These efforts are going to require significant resources to be successful. For that reason, we are going to have an extensive fundraising component to this campaign. We need your help. We need you to not only volunteer, but also to contribute what you can to the effort. None of this can take place without the funds and resources, particularly volunteer enthusiasm, to do it!!

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Delta Waves: Senator Lois Wolk discusses water policy by Pam Nieberg

On June 16th, State Senator Lois Wolk discussed recently enacted water legislation, including the \$11 billion state water bond slated to appear on the November ballot with the Sierra Club Yolano Group. Senator Wolk gave an overview of the bond package and discussed opposition to the bond measure and its negative impacts on California and the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

Wolk cautioned that the multi-billion dollar bond, which is being touted by the Governor and the water lobby as a fix for the Delta and California's water problems, would not effectively address the state's water problems, nor would it ensure water for the delta.

"It would facilitate the building of a multi-billion dollar canal to divert water around the delta. It short-changes the delta and delta residents," she said. "Less than a quarter of the \$11.14 billion is actually directed to the Delta region. Even more disturbing, the bond requires the Delta region to contribute 50 percent of the cost of mitigating the impacts on their own communities. This provision is akin to asking crime victims to pay 50 percent of their own restitution."

If approved by voters, the water bond would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$11 billion and would obligate the state to pay back more than \$800 million in bond debt each year for the next 30 years. It would allocate \$4 billion for new dams and expansion of existing ones, but includes only a fraction of that amount for conservation, water recycling, and clean-up of polluted groundwater basins.

It would put further stress on the state's general fund and "drive devastating reductions to healthcare, education, and other vital programs," she said. "This year California faces a \$20 billion dollar deficit. It is fiscal madness to consider passing the largest water bond in California history at a time of fiscal crisis," said Wolk.

Moreover, according to Wolk, the water legislation relies on a "flawed financing mechanism in the form of an \$11 billion pork-filled general obligation bond that will deepen our financial crisis while putting the delta risk."

"The water package fails to change the destructive dynamic that led to the delta's decline," she concluded. "To save the delta, Southern California, the Central Valley and the Bay Area must reduce their reliance on Delta water rather than pursuing new ways to divert our largest river."

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