

Two Utah Green Candidates Spend Time at Camp Casey : Headed to Camp Democracy

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08.25.2006 SALT LAKE CITY – Two Candidates from the Desert Greens Green Party of Utah spent 4 days at Camp Casey 3 in Crawford, Texas from August 17 – August 21. Deanna L. Taylor, Candidate for Salt Lake County Council District 5 and Tom King, Candidate for Utah State House District 43 attended as participants with the Green Party of the United States Peace Action Committee. (GPAX) and the Desert Greens Green Party. Both Taylor and King will be traveling to Camp Democracy in Washington, DC, on Sept 8 for 4 days. Camp Casey 3 will turn into Camp Democracy on September 3.

Camp Casey was founded by Cindy Sheehan whose son Casey, was killed in Iraq. Sheehan has bought 5 acres of land in Crawford that supporters have designated Camp Casey Three, the third in a series of campgrounds occupied in protest of the war designated as “Camp Casey III”.

Bill Holloway of the Texas Green Party states: “Deanna Taylor and Tom King of Utah came to Camp Casey for the weekend, and we all had a great time. Deanna and Tom became instantly popular around camp as hard-working volunteers, and Tom put his skills as a master electrician to good use.”

Taylor states, “My experience at Camp Casey gave me more knowledge and education on the issues, opportunities to further my skills to help activate my neighbors and friends in speaking out about how we need to rebuild our communities. I am looking forward to participating in and volunteering at Camp Democracy as part of the larger movement to help citizens everywhere rebuild America.”

“At Cindy’s urging, we have brought back with us a piece of Camp Casey,” states King. “We brought a single rock back with us, along with the motivation of our experience there, as a reminder of what we must do to demand accountability of our elected officials. We want our troops home NOW and ALIVE and we must care for them when they come home.”

Sheehan will be traveling to Salt Lake City next week (August 30) to speak at one of the rallies planned in protest of the Bush Administration’s policies during George Bush’s appearance in Utah. Taylor and King plan to be there with the projected thousands of citizens who will show up to participate in the rally and hear Sheehan’s message.

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