

Sam Krakow: Where I stand on the issues.



My campaign seeks to bring progressive, people-oriented politics to Delaware, Montgomery, and Chester Counties. I wish to establish myself as a viable candidate for the 7th District of Pennsylvania and an alternative to the current officeholder, Curt Weldon.

My wife and I live in Drexel Hill. I am in my fifth year of a seven year MD/PhD program at Temple University. If I win the election, I will take a leave of absence from my education for two years in order to serve my district in the United States House of Representatives.

If elected, I look forward to working with my constituents in building a better future for the Delaware Valley and our country.

Healthcare

Healthcare is a right, not a privilege. Therefore, my campaign supports universal healthcare coverage.

The War in Iraq

My campaign does not support the war in Iraq. It is unlikely that this campaign will bring democracy to Iraq or any other nation in the Middle East. Furthermore, the removal of Saddam Hussein will not end the problem of world proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

The War on Terrorism

Endless warfare will not end terrorism. The causes of terrorism must be addressed in order to lessen this threat. Poverty is one of these causes. In addition, the United States must become more enlightened in its foreign policy initiatives. These policies should reflect American values of freedom and democracy.

Election Reform

Corporations should not be allowed to fund any election. On this note, my campaign will not accept funds from large donors. I will gladly accept donations from individuals or local businesses up to \$100.

Energy Policy

The United States must end its dependence on foreign oil. This country should embrace conservation measures, energy efficiency, and alternative energy sources.

The National Debt

The national debt is currently 6.4 trillion dollars. 20% of our national budget is spent on interest payments servicing this debt. This percentage will grow as the debt increases due to new deficit spending. My campaign seeks to decrease the national debt in order to decrease wasted annual spending on these interest payments.

Military Spending

Military spending is the leading federal budget expenditure in the United States. The military should be scaled down. Large military projects with no application to modern warfare should be abandoned. Our nuclear and chemical arsenals should be dismantled.

"They shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more." Isaiah