

***THE RETIRED MEN'S ASSOCIATION OF GREENWICH. (RMA)
Invites you to attend its meeting, on Wednesday, July 3 2013.
First Presbyterian Church, Lafayette Pl., Greenwich, CT.***

Chris Murphy, (D)

Junior U. S. Senator from Connecticut



Born in White Plains, NY, August 3rd, 1973, Chris Murphy currently resides in Cheshire, Connecticut. He completed his undergraduate studies for a BA at Williams College, after which he earned a JD from the University of Connecticut.

Chris Murphy, Junior US Senator from Connecticut, previously served in the United States House of Representatives where he represented Connecticut's 5th Congressional District from 2007 – 2013. Prior to this he served as a member of both chambers of the Connecticut General Assembly, serving in the Connecticut House of Representatives (1999 – 2003) and the Connecticut Senate (2003 – 2007). in 1998 and to the state Senate in 2002. As a state senator, he was co-chairman of the General Assembly's Public Health Committee for four years.

Chris Murphy announced in 2011 that he would run for the U.S. Senate in the 2012 election after veteran U.S. Sen. Joseph Lieberman, an independent, decided to retire. He won the Democratic endorsement at the convention and soundly and went on to defeat the wealthy Republican Linda McMahon, former CEO of World Wrestling Entertainment, in the general election. He is currently the youngest United States Senator.

Health care has been major theme in Murphy's political career. As a state senator, he helped with the passage of the state's Stem Cell Investment Act, which at the time made Connecticut the third state in the nation, behind California and New Jersey, to provide funding to support embryonic and human adult stem cell research. Murphy also worked on state legislation that banned smoking in the workplace.

He was appointed to the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, which oversees implementation of Medicare Part D. An advocate for universal health care, Murphy voted for the March 2010 health care reform bill.

Amid the country's economic crisis, Murphy voted in early 2009 for the approximately \$800 billion economic stimulus package backed by President Barack Obama.

Murphy also has called for reforming congressional ethics. He is a critic of the Ethics Committee, which he said operated under a truce not to investigate or punish fellow members for violations. The House passed a Murphy proposal in 2008 that creates an independent ethics panel that can initiate and investigate claims of ethics violations against members of Congress, and forward them to the Ethics Committee in case punitive action is needed.

RMA meetings are free and open to the public; no reservations are required. Please plan to arrive around 10:30 for our social break (coffee and cake), followed by our speaker at 10:45. Meetings are held at the First Presbyterian Church in Greenwich.

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