

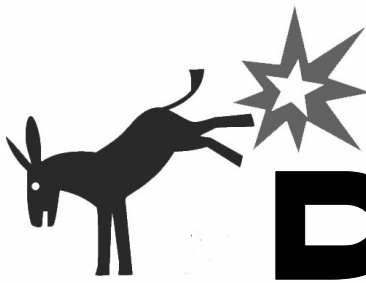
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November 2010

Hello Democrats,

“We must become the change we want to see.” Mahatma Gandhi said this and the grassroots politics of the Democratic Party prove it over and over again. We are at our best when the phone banks are full and at our worst when ordinary people aren’t engaged. Only through the continued and relentless commitment from thousands of volunteers and caring citizens will we make the changes we want to see. As I write this, the Democratic ground force is in full swing to re-elect Patty Murray to continue the work started with President Obama’s election in 2008. Thank you for all the effort and passion you have put into this year’s campaign.

We must continue to grow, motivating neighbors and empowering new activists to fully fund education, cover all Americans with health care, support working families, create the new jobs of the green economy, and take the money out of politics. Each and every one of us is necessary to succeed.

November’s meeting is a chance to review the results of the 2010 election and celebrate our successes. We will welcome our new 34th District Representative joined by newly-elected Senator Sharon Nelson and Representative Eileen Cody to provide a glimpse of the 2011 legislative session. The budget crisis continues and we’ll evaluate what to expect as far as the major battles in Olympia next year. Liberal, organized districts like ours must be vocal to defend funding for education, health care, and critical social services. Seattle City Council Members Sally Clark and Sally Bagshaw will also be special guests in November.

In January, the King County Democrats will host our biannual reorganization meeting. Every two years, Precinct Committee Officers elect leaders to serve the District as Chair, Vice Chairs, and at the King County and State Central Committees. The members will also elect our Secretary and Treasurer. This is a great opportunity for you to get more involved in the strongest Democratic legislative district in the state. If you are interested in running for a position, you may request a list of our PCOs and members to build support. Please contact Tim Nuse or another Executive Board member to request the list.

Next year will be instrumental in building towards the Presidential election in 2012. Thanks to you, we kept our tools sharp and our passion high in 2010. Let’s carry that energy and momentum into 2011 and to victory in 2012.

Thanks for everything you did for Democratic candidates and ballot initiatives this year.

Onward,

Meeting Notice

November 10, 2010

6:30 Social, 7:00 Meeting
 The Hall at Fautleroy
 9131 California Ave SW
 Across from the YMCA

Program

Legislative Rundown:
 Senator Sharon Nelson
 Representative Eileen Cody
 Newly Elected Representative Position 2

City Councilmember Sally Bagshaw

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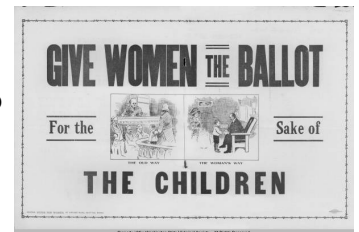
Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Women's Suffrage in the State of Washington

A Short History of Washington's Road to Women's Suffrage

Even though it was a long struggle, Washington has been in the forefront of granting women the right to vote. Washington was the fifth state in the union to enact women's suffrage, and as early as 1854, in its first session as Washington Territory, Arthur Denny put forth a bill to "allow all white women over the age of 18 years to vote." The bill lost by just one vote. In 1867 the legislature passed a law giving the right to vote to all white citizens over the age of 21. Based on this law and voting rights granted by the 14th Amendment, suffragists attempted to vote, but their votes were rejected because the legislature couldn't be convinced that women were citizens. Even so, fifteen women in Thurston County actually managed to cast a vote, making them the first women to vote in Washington.

In 1871 Susan B Anthony joined Abigail Scott Duniway, a local suffragist, on a two month lecture tour of Washington and Oregon. One local newspaper asked, "Are our sisters, wives and daughters, prepared to accept the teachings of brazen harlots and open advocates of licentiousness? We trust not." There's a certain irony in that the loudest opponents of women's suffrage were the saloon keepers. The fear was that if women had the vote they would close down the "whiskey hells" and perhaps they were right. In 1883 the legislature approved the Woman Suffrage bill and it was signed into law on November 22 by Governor Gordon Newell. Women made up around 38% of the electorate and voted in higher numbers than men (nothing has changed). And the women voted the "whiskey hells" out.

There were legal challenges to the new law. Along with the right to vote was the right to serve on juries. It was thought that women were poor delicate creatures who should not be exposed to rape and other horrors in the courtroom. In 1887 the Washington Territory Supreme Court ruled that it was unconstitutional for women to serve on juries. But when the legislature convened in 1888 women were granted the right to vote without the right to serve on juries. So for a short time, women had the right to vote.



But it was not over. Nevada Bloomer was a saloonkeeper's wife who opposed suffrage. At her request, her ballot was rejected by precinct judges, and she then sued them. This had the effect of sending the law to the courts. In 1888 the territorial Supreme Court ruled the suffrage law void because Congress had not intended to give the territories the authority to give women the vote. Suffragists raised \$5,000 to appeal, but they needed Nevada Bloomer as the plaintiff, and she wouldn't budge.

In 1889, another state Constitutional Convention was held. The male-only delegation defeated prohibition and while an amendment on woman suffrage was proposed, a business lobby suggested that suffrage could cost the territory statehood, and the amendment was soundly defeated.

There was much bickering between two separate factions, one led by Emma Smith DeVoe who wanted to avoid any hostility, and the other by May Arkwright Hutton, who believed that "There's no such thing as bad publicity."



Even so, they were determined and kept their mind on the goal and never gave up. On November 8, 1910, by an overwhelming vote, Washington State's all male electorate finally made Washington the fifth state where women had the right to vote. The suffragists did not let up until the 19th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States was ratified ten years later and became law on August 26, 1920.

We women—and men—of the state of Washington have much to be proud of.

34TH DISTRICT BULLETIN BOARD

Volunteer Opportunities, Meeting Announcements, Notices

Volunteer Activities

Newsletter Mailing Party

Saturday, November 27, 11:00 a.m.

Jackie's House

Call Jackie Dupras if you can help with the mailing of our monthly newsletter.

Gathering of Neighbors

Saturday, November 6, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**Chief Sealth International High School,
2600 SW Thistle St**

The Gathering of Neighbors is a get-together of community organizations and businesses in West Seattle so they can learn from and about each other. This year the Gathering is expanding with entertainment and more workshops, or "learning exchanges." Les Treall will be tabling for the 34th District Democrats, so be sure to stop by and say "hello" and perhaps give Les a chance for a short break.

Meeting Announcements

Executive Board

Wednesday, November 17, 7:00 p.m.

**Puget Ridge Co-Housing Common House,
7020 18th Ave SW**

As with all meetings of the 34th District Democrats, any member is welcome, and even encouraged, to attend the meetings of the Executive Board.

First Thursday Democrats

Thursday, November 4, 11:30 a.m.

Daystar, across from Westwood Village on SW Barton St

All are welcome to attend this lunch and discussion group. Lunch, including beverage and dessert is \$7.00. Call Lois Elenich, 932-6088 for more information.

Evergreen Democratic Club

Tuesday, November 9, 11:30 a.m.

Angelo's Restaurant, 601 SW 153rd

Senator-Elect Sharon Nelson will provide an overview of the General Election results. Club business includes election of 2011-2012 officers and a consideration of a bylaws amendment for banking authority.

West Seattle Democratic Women

Instead of a meeting on the fourth Thursday in November, which is Thanksgiving, the West Seattle Democratic Women are celebrating the 100th anniversary of Women's Right to Vote in Washington and are inviting members of the 34th District Democrats to join them.

The WSDW will participate in "A Day of Jubilation" in Olympia on Monday, November 8 and they hope that you will stop by their table.

Sunday, November 7, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

***Iron Jawed Angels*, at the Admiral Theater, \$10**

An HBO film about the suffragette movement, starring Hilary Swank and Anjelica Huston

Friday, November 12, 6:00 - 10:00 p.m.

West Seattle Golf Course, \$25 for non-WSDW members

A celebration bash of the 100th Anniversary
See Page 4 for more information.

Notices

Financial Review Committee

Article IX, Section 4 of our bylaws reads: "A three member committee selected at large by the membership shall meet annually to review the organization accounts, Public Disclosure Commission, and Federal Election Commission reports. The committee must make a written summary of their findings which shall be available for review by the members, either by printing it in the newsletter, if possible, or at the next meeting."

In accordance with this section of our bylaws, three persons will be selected at our November meeting to be part of this committee. If you are interested in being part of this committee, please contact Tim Nuse.

Editorial Policy

The opinions expressed in submitted articles and letters to the editor are those of the author and not necessarily those of the 34th District Democrats or the Executive Board. All letters are subject to editing for space and content. Please keep to 300 words or less. Photos and notices of upcoming events are strongly encouraged. Mail to Jackie Dupras, 1920 46th Ave SW, Seattle, WA 98116 or jdupras@quidnunc.net.

Code of Conduct

The purpose for having a Code of Conduct is to encourage fair and substantive issues-oriented meetings, communications, and business in the 34th Legislative District that will educate the voter and help to improve the quality of dialogue, increase participation, and build community in the process. As an all-volunteer organization choosing to empower its members, we consider the following:

Politics throughout the state and nation are subjected to unacceptable levels of negativism and other practices which discourage participation and demean representative democracy.

Negative politics increases apathy, the number one enemy to democratic politics. We all have a stake in positive political dialogue and increased participation so we can implement progressive policies and elect great candidates, the key purpose of our Party.

Each member is responsible for fair and ethical organizational practices, particularly our Executive Board members.

Values

Three core values are fundamental to our society and are widely shared throughout the 34th District Democrats organization: honesty, respect, and responsibility.

Honesty – Members are encouraged to share their views, beliefs, and experiences in the dialogues of the district. Members should be committed to an open and public discussion of issues and to presenting their views truthfully and with sincerity and frankness, while respecting those with opposing views.

Respect – Members should not use personal attacks, innuendo, stereotyping, or demeaning references to other members, nor should they use negative prejudicial language based on a member's actual or perceived race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, marital status, age, sexual orientation, gender or gender identity, or association with another person who has any of these actual or perceived characteristics in meetings, debate, e-mail communications, and/or in print or internet media.

Responsibility – As members of an organization, whose mission is to elect Democrats and move the Democratic agenda, we each have a responsibility to each other to participate in our activities, contribute to our process, and collaborate for success.

The basic core values of honesty, respect, and responsibility are essential to the democratic process and success of our Party. All members in our organization, especially Executive Board members, should be committed to maintaining this decorum.

Recognition of 34th District Members

All our members are important, but there are some who stand out and deserve to be recognized for all they do. If you know someone who you think deserves recognition in any of these six categories, you may download a nomination form from our website, 34dems.org.

Categories of Recognition:

- Cherisse Luxa Award for Lifetime Achievement
- Outstanding Committee
- PCO of the Year
- Executive Board Member of the Year
- Member of the Year
- Rising Star

Listed below is the evaluation criteria for the awards

Lifetime Achievement:

- Length of service in the District
- Participation—variety, type extent of contribution
- Innovation
- Team player—collegial, works well with others, respectful, well regarded, community-oriented
- Results/Outcomes—demonstrated record of outstanding performance; identifiable benefits to the District

Outstanding Committee

- Type of work—project specific, community based work, etc.
- Innovation
- Execution—how was work accomplished effectiveness
- Team players—synergy of group
- Results/Outcomes

PCO, Executive Board Member, Member, Rising Star

- Type of work—project specific, community based work, etc.
- Innovation
- Execution
- Team player
- Results/Outcome

Join the West Seattle Democratic Women in Celebration of the 100th Anniversary of Women's Suffrage in Washington State

Friday, November 12, 6:00 - 10:00 p.m.
West Seattle Golf Course



\$25 Per Person
Hot and Cold Hors d'oeuvres
No Host Bar
Hat and Fashion Show
a Little History and a
Comedy Routine
Recognition of Women in Politics

If you have a period costume, this would be a wonderful time to wear it.

You Might Be in a Different District in 2012

Every ten years, after the census, the boundaries of legislative and congressional districts change. In addition, because of an increase in our population in proportion to other states, we will probably have one more congressional district. We will find out for sure on January 25. We will still have 49 legislative districts, as per Washington State law.

Washington is one of only five states that appoints a bipartisan redistricting commission for Congressional offices. This is how it will work: on January 15, the four caucuses, Democratic and Republican, Senate and House, appoint four committee members. The committee appoints a fifth, non-voting member. This is very exacting work. The commission must do its best to make sure that the number of people in each district is equal. The commission has until January 1, 2012 to send a plan to the State Legislature that has been approved by at least three out of the four voting members. The Legislature may make changes to the plan with a two-thirds vote by February 10, 2012.

Once the precinct maps are ready, we reorganize according to the new boundaries. This is assuming that the redistricting will be done in time, considering that it is a Presidential year. According to David McDonald of the Washington State Democrats, "If redistricting gets delayed, we might conclude that the final boundaries have become available so late that the disruption of reorganizing mid-year is not a good idea. This is a rare redistricting that will finalize in the same year as a presidential contest. In my memory, we have always done the mid-year re-organization after redistricting and that is the most likely thing in 2012, but I note the uniqueness of a presidential year."

So, we will lose some friends to other districts, but we will gain some too. We might even get back some members who we lost in 2002.

If you are a PCO, you will vote in your new district's reorganization. Our legislators will remain in office even if redistricted, but they would have to run in their new district when the election comes up in August. In fact, Representative Eileen Cody was redistricted into the 34th from the 11th. There had been a vacancy in the House caused by a shuffle of positions, which Toni Lysen was appointed to fill for the rest of that term, and Eileen Cody ran for the position with little opposition.

Keep Woman in Her Sphere

This popular song was sung at rallies by suffragettes. Women's sphere was in the home and men's was in the world. It appears you don't have to be very smart to want to keep woman in her sphere. You probably already know the tune and sing it on New Years Eve: Auld Lang Syne.

I have a neighbor one of those not very hard to find
Who knows it all without debate and never change their mind.
I asked him "What of women's rights?" He said in tones severe
"My mind on that is all made up. Keep woman in her sphere."

I saw a man in tattered garb forth from the grogshop come.
He squandered all his cash for drink and starved his wife at home.
I asked him "Should not woman vote?" He answered with a sneer
"I've taught my wife to know her place. Keep woman in her sphere."

I met an earnest thoughtful man not many days ago
Who pondered deep all human law, the honest truth to know.
I asked him "What of woman's cause?" The answer came sincere.
"Her rights are just the same as mine. Let woman choose her sphere."

Report of the October Meeting of the King County Democratic Central Committee

Our meeting began with a fascinating, informative presentation on cyber security by 47th LD Chair Brian Kesterson. He pointed out how important this area is becoming; recently a virus infected a jetliner's computer system, causing a crash. Closer to home, the 48th Democrats' website was hacked by "Iranian data coders." He gave us specific ways to protect both our personal computers and our websites, recommending that all of us select complex passwords and that each LD formulate a plan of action, should our sites be hacked. His powerpoint presentation will soon be up on the KCDCC website at <http://wa-demchairs.org/kcdems>. Unless you're already an expert on logie bombs, phishing, sniffer, Trojan horses, and denial of service, you should find this helpful.

This was the last meeting chaired by Susan Sheary, who is stepping down after many terms as our County chair. So far, contenders to replace her include our own Karl De Jong, current Endorsements Chair, and Steve Zemke, Legislative Action Committee Co-Chair. Our reorganization meeting to elect new officers, which Suzie terms "a time to renew our commitment," will take place Saturday, Dec. 4, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. to noon at the IAM Hall. All 838 elected PCOs will be called to attend. The newly-elected KCDCC officers will then serve as chairs of our LD re-org meetings in January. Of note, new PCOs may be appointed at our 34th LD reorganization before we elect our new slate of officers.

We will soon be dealing with redistricting as dictated by the results of the 2010 census. It is anticipated that Washington state will be gaining a U.S. representative, probably in a new Congressional district to be formed south of Seattle. We are one of five states that will appoint a bipartisan commission next year to oversee this process. The commission will be selected in January, 2011, and it will complete its redistricting by January of 2012. The new districts will become 'operative' in the 2012 primary. Elected PCOs may vote, even if their district is changed, within their new districts. One issue that all this raises is that our state reorganization, which occurs every two years, takes place this upcoming February in 2011. However, the redistricting will take place the following year, a Presidential year. We will need a reorganization at that time, but the Party may decide to put it off until after the election, for sake of continuity and to conserve our energy for the 2012 election itself.

So now if all this talk of reorganization and redistricting hasn't completely confused you, let me finish with a few tidbits: 1) The "top 2" primary concept will be litigated at the U.S. District Court in Seattle in November - stay tuned! 2) Watch for an announcement of the exact date and place of the next meeting of the Legislative Action Committee - December's meeting is traditionally with Speaker Frank Chopp, who gives a summary of where the next legislative session will be heading.

*Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Plymate, King County Committeewoman*

In Case You Missed Our Last Meeting. . .

The meeting was called to order shortly after 7:00.

In his **report to the membership**, Tim Nuse thanked Stu Yarfitz, our Treasurer, for tirelessly keeping the financial books in order; to LeAnn Beres, a star, filling in wherever needed; and thanked all the volunteers who helped prepare and deliver the PCO packets for canvassing.

Karen Chilcutt, Chair of the **West Seattle Democratic Women**, invited everyone to participate in “11 days of Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Women’s Right to Vote in Washington State.” For more information about these events, be sure to check out our Bulletin Board on page 3 and on page 4.

Program—King County Council Chair Bob Ferguson

King County Council Chair Bob Ferguson was our guest speaker. The topic of discussion was the \$60 million budget shortfall facing the county and King County Proposition 1 which proposes to increase the sales tax by .2%. The shortfall is in the General Fund, nearly 75% of which supports criminal justice services.

Half of the tax will sunset after three years, while the other .1% will secure bonds for building a new youth justice center. Ten other counties in the state have already exercised this authority granted by the Legislature, with 50/50 results in their elections.

This doesn’t even address other budget shortfalls at the County level, such as service cuts and impacts to King County Metro. Ferguson spoke about the ongoing work to implement the result of an organizational audit which identified cuts and efficiencies, studies to reconsider how service should be implemented and plans to seek new sources of revenue.

Ferguson also spoke about the Shoreline Master Program and an impending vote which must be held by December 1.

Field Organizer Colin Bartz-Overman encouraged members to **get out the vote**.

State Representative Sharon Nelson encouraged members to take home yard signs.

Dorsol Plants spoke about **Domestic Violence Awareness Month**. We passed the hat for West Seattle Helpline which provides support and services for men and women, some of them with children, who need to leave their current situation. We raised \$208.

Recognition Program

Kathy Minsch will be leading the planning for a new program that will allow members to nominate other members for recognition and awards at the Annual Holiday Party.

Nominating Convention

We then came to the Nominating Convention. Because our previous nominee didn’t make it through the primary, we needed to nominate another candidate for the general election. Bill Schrier nominated Joe Fitzgibbon. There were no other nominations. The PCOs voted by written ballot which was weighted by how many Democrats (votes for Obama in 2008) in the precinct. There being no other nominees, Joe Fitzgibbon unanimously won our nomination.

Budget and Contributions

We then went on to the budget. Walter Sive, our Finance Chair, went over the budget with us and projected that we would have spent around \$1,800 more than revenues received for the year. This is less than the \$5,700 budgeted loss which was approved earlier by the membership.

The question before us was how much to spend on GOTV and for campaign contributions. Walter explained that there is \$2,200 budgeted for spending on advertising, including printing the sample ballot in the West Seattle Herald, White Center News, Vashon-Maury Island Beachcomber, and the West Seattle Blog.

With no formal recommendations from the Executive Board, motions were taken from the floor.

The following contributions were considered by the membership:

Keith Weir moved to contribute \$500 to the No on I-1082 campaign. Motion passed easily.

Alan Munro moved to contribute \$500 to the Yes on I-1098 Campaign. Motion passed easily.

Kim Becklund moved to spend up to \$2,300 on Media Advertising, as projected. Motion passed easily.

Keith Weir moved to contribute \$500 to the Approve R-52 campaign. Motion passed easily.

David Ginsberg moved to contribute \$500 to Joe Fitzgibbon’s campaign. The motion passed easily.

Jim Theophelis moved to contribute \$250 to Susan Mahoney’s campaign for King County District Court judge. The motion passed easily.

Kim Becklund moved to contribute \$100 to the No on I-1053 campaign. An amendment was proposed and passed to make that \$500. The motion to contribute \$500 to the campaign for No on I-1053 passed easily.

It was after 9:00 and there was still the business to take care of. Electing a **Financial Review Panel** was on the agenda, but because of the time, Bruce Stotler moved to table the discussion of this item until the November meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

In **Good of the Order** Les Treall encouraged PCOs to take membership forms along with them when doorbelling precincts.

The meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

This is a summary of the minutes. You may find the unedited version, produced by Michael Taylor-Judd, our Secretary, on our website, or copies will be available at the November meeting.

Town Hall Events That May be of Interest to Democrats

Ari Berman, A Progressive Response to Election Night, Wednesday, November 3, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m., Downstairs, \$5

Journalist Ari Berman, author of *Herding Donkeys*, chronicles the improbable grassroots resurgence that transformed the Democratic Party after the 2004 midterm election, examining Howard Dean's 50-state strategy and how the Obama campaign built it into victory—all through the present-tense lens of the 2010 midterm elections. Berman will be joined by Seattleites Timothy Egan, Pulitzer Prize-winning author and *New York Times* correspondent, and Eli Sanders, associate editor of *The Stranger*.

Ian Morris, East and West, Today and Tomorrow, Tuesday, November 16, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m., Downstairs, \$5

Why does the West rule? There are two broad theories: Either some critical factor sited the industrial revolution in the West, or Western rule is a temporary aberration now coming to an end. But Stanford polymath Ian Morris prefers a new theory. Morris, author of *Why the West Rules—For Now*, offers a major reassessment of the East/West relationship to explain its historical progression, and to predict what is coming.

Micah Zenko, Does Limited Military Force Work?, Wednesday, November 17, 8:30 - 9:30 p.m., Downstairs, \$5

Limited military force—just enough to address a problem while minimizing military deaths, civilian casualties, and collateral damage—has been standard foreign policy through four successive administrations. But have these “Discrete Military Operations” really worked? Council on Foreign Relations Fellow Micah Zenko, author of *Between Threats and War*, examines the 36 U.S. DMOs over the past 20 years, exploring why they were used, whether they achieved their objectives, and why or why not.

Jared Duval - A New Approach to Our Big Problems, Tuesday, November 23, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m., Downstairs, \$5

The challenges of the 21st century are unprecedented, and with a huge global population and inextricable connections between issues, our old tools for change look increasingly blunt. But Demos Fellow Jared Duval says we can use our vast size and complexity to our advantage: Drawing on the lessons of open-source technology, the author of *Next Generation Democracy* describes a new approach to solving complex problems based on the contributions of vast and diverse communities of engaged citizens.

Chris Hedges - Death of the Liberal Class, Thursday, December 2, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m., Downstairs, \$5

The liberal class plays a vital role in a democracy, says Chris Hedges, but once it loses its social and political role, it—along with the values it espouses—becomes irrelevant, ridiculed, even hated. Picking up where *Empire of Illusion* left off, Hedges, author of *The Death of the Liberal Class*, argues that the traditional pillars of the liberal class—the press, liberal religious institutions, labor unions, universities, and the Democratic Party—are now more concerned with status and privilege than justice and progress: They have sold out.

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Texas Congressional Candidate Stephen Broden, on what could happen if Republicans lose on election day
So Watch out!

Monthly Calendar

Thursday, November 4, 11:30 a.m.
First Thursday Democrats
 Daystar, Across from Westwood Village on Barton St

Thursday, November 4, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
36th District Post Election Analysis and Silent Auction
 Hales Ales, 4301 Leary Way NW in Ballard

Sunday, November 7, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.
WSDW Presents "Iron-Jawed Angels"
 Admiral Theater

Tuesday, November 9, 11:30
Evergreen Democratic Club
 Angelo's Restaurant, 601 SW 153rd

Wednesday, November 10,, 7:00 p.m.
34th District Democrats Monthly Meeting
 The Hall at Fauntleroy

Friday, November 12,
WSDW Women's Suffrage 100th Anniversary Gala
 West Seattle Golf Course

Tuesday, November 16, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
KCDC Soup and Sandwich Event
 Check King County Democrats website for details

Wednesday, November 17, 7:00 p.m.
34th District Democrats Executive Board Meeting
 7020 18th Ave SW

Wednesday, November 24, 7:00 p.m.
Drinking Liberally in Burien
 Mick Kelly's Irish Pub, 435 SW 152nd

Saturday, December 4, 9:00 a.m. - noon
King County Democrats Reorganization
 Machinists Hall, 9125 15th PI S