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Message from the Chairman

What Barack Obama's candidacy means to me

From the minute I open my mouth, people know I'm not "from here," and it's true.

I have lived in King County, Washington for most of my life, but my accent is pure Philadelphia, PA, where I was born and raised.

Philadelphia means "City of Brotherly Love." It isn't. Philadelphia sent a lot of soldiers to fight for the Union in the Civil War to free the slaves, and it still has a lot of Civil War monuments, yet when I lived there it was, and it remains, bitterly polarized along racial lines.

When I was born, my neighborhood in West Philadelphia was all white. Before long, it was 25 percent Jewish, 25 percent Irish, 25 percent Italian, and 25 percent black.

By the time I left, it was 80-85 percent black. I was a minority. Many was the time I had to fight my way to school, and fight my way home. I went to high school across town, but my junior high was 80-85 percent black.

I lived with African Americans, worked with them, played baseball and football with them, argued and fought with them, listened to music and learned new dances with them, and hung out on the street with them. African Americans were my teachers and my classmates. They ran the local businesses and populated the local churches.

By the time I was in high school, in the late 1950s, I was involved in the emerging civil rights activism of the late Eisenhower administration, fueled by the Montgomery bus boycott, with a lot of like-minded liberal white kids, and had heard the words "nigger-lover" more than I wanted to.

But to me those words were a badge of honor. Our African American friends who grew up in the 'hood still tell my brother and my sister how much it meant to them to be welcome in our house. To us it was just natural, and it was natural that their struggle for respect and for civil rights became our struggle.

We picketed Woolworth's, even though in the North it was integrated, to force the chain to desegregate its southern stores.

In my talks with my black friends and neighbors, I heard two words more than any others: How long? We shouldn't pretend that people still aren't asking that question.

In college in the 1960s, I marched twice in Washington DC with the Rev. Martin Luther King. One of those marches included the "I have a Dream" speech. No one who heard that speech could fail to be moved by it. It still brings tears to my eyes and sends chills up and down my spine to hear it.

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Meeting Notice

October 10, 2007

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

Get Out the Vote

Campaign for Change Field Organizer Kimber McCreery and David Ginsberg will talk about our Get Out The Vote activities and we'll also talk about problem solving for Neighborhood Leaders.

Endorsements

There are still a few candidates we have not yet endorsed, and some important King County Charter amendments.

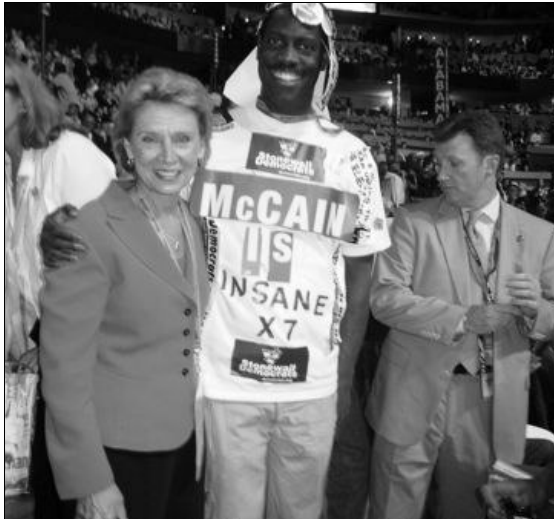
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 Pete Elkins
 Samia El-Moslim
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 Ron Falberg
 Gary Fasso
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 Dorian Ford
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 Carol Frontiero
 May Gerstle
 Subhabrata Ghosh
 Gary Gibson
 Susan Gopler
 Laura Gordon
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 Hunter Handsfield
 Colleen Hardy
 Linda Hargus
 Stanley Hargus *
 Emma Taylor Harman *
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 Brian Judd
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 Anne Kirk
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 Kim Krasne
 Eleanor Kremenich
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 Sheila Lange
 Julie Lawell
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 Emilie Lowens
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 Janice Maine

Report from the National Convention



The 34th District was privileged to have four delegates to the Democratic National Convention: Chris Porter, Nick Bordner, and our Mayor Greg Nickels were delegates for Obama, and Kimber McCreery was a delegate for Clinton. In addition, Laura Hicks went as a page, and Bruce Stotler went as WSDCC staff.

Chris Porter has a report from the convention on westseattleblog.com. Be sure to check it out. Obama's acceptance speech was the highlight of the event, of course. Chris reports that the Washington state delegate had its own party, dancing until feet were sore— leading up to Obama's speech. He said that "being in that stadium and hearing his speech filled me with pride and joy that I will never forget."

Nick Bordner, at 18 years old, was the second youngest delegate to attend the convention. He learned of Obama's message of change in 2005, when his high school debate team would listen to Obama's speeches and study his wording. He never forgot.

Kimber McCreery was a delegate for Hillary Clinton, She felt the divisions between fellow Democrats who live in the same neighborhoods had to do with the fact that both campaigns were about more than just values and issues. "It's a man of color versus a woman. It's an entire identity being marketed," she said. "You can't separate that out. It's extremely emotional stuff." She is our Field Coordinator for the Campaign for Change and is an enthusiastic supporter of Obama.

Backbone's Attempted Prisoner Exchange

The Democrats weren't the only ones having a convention. The Republicans met in St. Paul, and the Backbone Campaign was there. They valiantly tried to exchange their high value prisoners, the Terrorist Puppets George and Dick, for protesters who had been arrested at the convention. It was a no go. Surprisingly, some of the local police seemed amused, but some of the others, well, not so much. To see Radio Free Nation's coverage of this remarkable event, go to backbonecampaign.org.



Chris Gregoire and Chris Porter at the DNC Convention. Chris, the Chris who isn't the governor, won the prize for the most creative costume, which was even more creative than this one. He pieced together signs he scrounged after the convention and became his own bulletin board. If you are wondering about the confused expression on the face of the man on the right, Chris wore on his backside what he thought most appropriate for that region of his body: he wore a McCain sign.

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Neighborhood Leader Campaign

Across this country and the 34th District, from Maury Island to the Admiral District to Burien, hundreds of people have been inspired to get involved in the Campaign for Change. As we head into the final weeks of this election, we need all hands on deck. Join Kimber McCreery, David Ginsberg and others to become a Neighborhood Leader. Get involved. Take action. Take back the country we love.

Ivan Weiss

There's a link from our website 34dems.org to sign up to be a Neighborhood Leader. If there is a name in your precinct already, that's okay. You can sign up too. The more the merrier. If your precinct doesn't really need the help, which is doubtful, you can always work in another precinct.

The plan is to register all the unregistered voters in all precincts. By the time you receive this newsletter, the deadline for registering will only be a couple of days away, but there's still a little time. After October 4 volunteers will be identifying voters as supporting Obama and Gregoire until the ballots are mailed, between October 15 and 17. Then it's time to get out there and get your neighbors to vote.

If you are a PCO, you need to sign up to be a Neighborhood Leader too in order to get your walking list and campaign literature.

Farewell to the Thief! CD Release Concert to benefit the Backbone Campaign

Friday, October 17, 7:30
Trinity United Methodist Church
6512 23rd Ave Northwest



George Mann, the Seattle Labor Chorus, Jim Page, Patriot Act and Citizens Band, in a concert celebrating the release of the new CD Farewell to the Thief

"Bad things happen when good people stay silent; this CD is our way of not being quiet."

\$10 advance, \$12 at the door
brownpapertickets.com

For more information, Call Jackie Dupras
206-935-9683, jdupras@quidnunc.net

West Seattle Democratic Women

The next meeting is on Thursday, October 23 at the West Seattle Golf Course Clubhouse. Registration is at 11:15; the meeting starts at 11:30. Lunch is \$10.00. Jim McIntire, candidate for State Treasurer will be the guest speaker, and there will be a discussion of the initiatives that are on the November ballot. For reservations, contact Outreach Chair Karen Chilcutt at 935-3215 or wsdwomen@yahoo.com. For other questions, please call Chair Beth Grieser at 938-5706, or Vice Chair Peggy Abby at 935-5242.

Evergreen Democratic Club

The Evergreen Democratic Club will meet at 11:30, on Tuesday, October 14 at Angelo's Restaurant, 601 SW 153rd. The guest speaker will be Port Commissioner Gael Tarleton. Lunch is \$12.00.

The New Women's Group

This new discussion group, which so far does not have a name, will meet on October 2 at Daystar, across from Westwood. Lunch is \$7.00. So that Daystar has an idea of how many to prepare for, let Lois Elenich, 932-6088 or Judy Kinsman, 932-7069, know you are coming, or e-mail jdupras@quidnunc.net. The following meeting will be on November 6, right after the election.

Why So Many Women's Groups?

There has been some question as to why, when we already have a women's group in West Seattle, we would need another one. The answer is simple. This group is completely different from the West Seattle Democratic Women and is meant to complement it, not to compete with it. There are some of us who would like to have a small group to discuss the events of the day in a fairly unstructured manner. If we have speakers, the format will probably be a group discussion, more along the lines of that used by the WSDW Saturday Group. We will not have scholarships or contribute to candidates' campaigns, hence no fundraisers. If we want to do anything like that we will do it as part of the West Seattle Democratic Women, since they do an exemplary job of it. There is no reason to duplicate their efforts and anyone can belong to both groups, and certainly many of us will.

Treasurers' Report

Balance end of August	\$37,847
September Revenue.....	1,402
September Expenses	\$10,830
Balance end of September.....	\$28,419

Gina Marchesini
Andy Marsman
Dorothy Marsman
Marjanne Masterman
Laura Matson
Barbara Matthes
Thomas McAllister
Jeanette McArdle
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Julie Salle
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Aaron Shanks
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Jeffrey Skillman
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Michael Armstrong
Harry Arthur
John Ashford
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Deborah Barker
Laura Barnes
Vicente Barraza
Heather Barstad
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Oriana Basile
Katherine Batey
Layne Bautista *
Wes Beal
Edward Becker
Frank Beebe
Karen Beeson
David Belisle
Betsy Bell

Kelly Bell
 Diane Berge
 Kelley Bevans
 Patricia Billings
 Patricia Birgen-Redwolf
 Barbara Bishop
 Marianne Blake *
 Nick Bordner
 Violet Borghesi
 Dorothy Bosteder
 DeAnná Botello
 Amy Bradley
 John Bradley
 Michael Brady
 Jancen Bramwell
 William Bramwell
 Joanne Brayden
 Karen Brekke
 Stephanie Bric
 Connie Brown
 Jill Brown
 John Brown
 Marie Brown
 Mary Brown
 Ron Bryant
 Rose Bryant
 Brenda Brynildsen
 Kathryn Babelis
 Wally Babelis
 Beryl Bucklin
 Carla Bueno
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 William T Buffington
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 Patti Burgess
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 Daniel Burnstein
 Gary Campbell
 Jane Campbell
 Natalie Cannon
 Charlene Canonica
 Robert Carr
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 Ted Carroll
 Lisa Carter
 Teresa Castner
 Jim Cavin
 Jeremy Chaison
 Bob Chatalas
 Alison Christie
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 Keith Clark
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 Lois DePew
 Marianne Deppman
 Leah DePriest
 Mary Anne DeVry
 Rez Diente
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 Mary Doherty
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 Liz Doyle
 Wanda Dray
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 Chris Drew
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 Stefan Dudek
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 Kirk Duncan
 Renee Duncan
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 Jackie Dupras *
 Doug Durbin
 Craig Dykgraaf
 Timothy Eannarino
 Pam Earle
 Robert Edgar
 Joe Eliassen
 Terry Elliott
 Carol Ellis
 Robert Ellis
 Cheryl Ellsworth
 Alison Enochs
 William Enochs
 Teri Enslay
 Eve Enslaw
 Celeste Ericsson
 A. L. Esterling
 Michelle Etchart
 Amos Etheridge
 Justin Fallstrom
 John Fawcett-Long *
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 Carol Ferch
 Vincent Ferriols
 Peter Fitzgerald
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 Mina Fleisher
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 Mary Flowers
 Mark Flynn
 Mary Beth Foglia
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 Nathan Ford
 Linda Forest
 Claire Foster

Chairman's Report (continued from Page 1)

It's no big deal that I was there. Hundreds of thousands of people were there, and millions have heard the words. It is a big deal that even though the hope and the love and the appeal to our better natures in Dr. King's words endure today, so does the hatred and the bigotry and the sheer malice that we have fought for so many years to vanquish.

And, as Dr. King told the world in that unforgettable speech: "NOW is the time!"

Make no mistake. Barack Obama understands the moment. He has repeated those very words. Those are code words in the black community, and they should be our code words too.

NOW is the time to deal racism a mortal blow. NOW is the time to show the world that a black man can lead as well as anyone can. And NOW is the time for US to lead, to show that as Obama says, this election is about US, and not just about him.

Seattle is not Philadelphia. But I have been "from here" long enough to remember when black people's "place" was the Central District, the Italians were all from "Garlic Gulch" in Rainier Valley, all the Norwegians and Swedes were from Ballard, and all the Asians were from Beacon Hill.

I was already here in 1967, when black players at the UW protested football coach Jim Owens' practice of "stacking" black players at the same position so too many of them wouldn't be on the field at the same time. The "sainted" Royal Brougham, the "beloved" P-I sports columnist, commented on this on KING-TV, saying: "Those colored boys should get down on their hands and knees and thank God that they get the honor of wearing the Purple and Gold." They named a street after him.

So Seattle is not perfect. Just because the racism is not on the surface doesn't mean it isn't there.

Obama was not my first choice to be president (Al Gore), nor was he my second (John Edwards). But he is our nominee, and to me, his candidacy is all the people I have met and worked with and dreamed with and hoped with along the way, from the very beginning. It is all we hoped to see—and we are hundreds of millions.

It is no exaggeration, then, to tell you that this is a moment I have been waiting for and hoping for, for all my life.

These are my reasons for wanting Barack Obama to be our president, with my body and my mind, my heart and my soul. Please join me and let's make it so.

Rules—The leadership development Committee presented its proposal for executive board rules to the board September 17, and the board adopted them, with slight modifications. Pursuant to Section 6 of the bylaws, which authorizes the chairman to appoint heads of standing committees, we now have these committee heads: Finance, Walter Sive; Membership, Jeff Upthegrove; Outreach, Les Treall; Newsletter, Jackie Dupras; Bylaws, Richard Bartlett; Hospitality, Dorsol Plants; Legislative Action, Ivan Weiss. Regarding this appointment, these terms have two months to run, and I am already Legislative Action co-chair for the King County Democratic Central Committee.

Thanks to the committee for its work. The executive board discussion reinforced two varying approaches to building an organization, which we all can expect to emerge in the term of the next chair and executive board.

The committee's approach, in its own statements, is: If we form these committees, people will volunteer to serve on them. If we don't create this structure, people will not volunteer. We need to form these committees so that people will volunteer. For the sake of discussion, let's call this the bureaucratic approach.

My approach is that people are drawn to this organization because they are self-starters to begin with, and the presence or absence of standing committees is irrelevant. If people want to volunteer, we'll help them build a plan of action, and if it is successful and sustainable, we'll form an ad hoc committee around it. If the ad hoc committee proves its worth, we can make it a standing committee. We have done this with finance, outreach, and legislative action already, with great success. These committees demonstrated their functionality and their ongoing nature, and they are integral and necessary parts of the organization. For the sake of discussion, let's call this the organic approach.

The leadership development committee proposed a larger number of standing committees than were adopted for this term. In my judgment, they failed to make the case that these committees were necessary to the functioning of this organization at this time.

We can expect them to try again in the next term. It is my hope that the membership and the next executive board would resist the urge to form standing committees for the sake of forming committees, and would make each committee prove its worth on an ad hoc basis before making it a standing committee, and codifying another voting member of the executive board.

Right now we have an election to win.

Ivan Weiss

WSDCC Report

Bruce Stotler, Leslie Harris, Ivan Weiss, and Marcee Stone attended the September meeting in Tulalip.

Chair's Report

The Latino Vote Project now has five employees including two bilingual canvassers.

Superintendent of Public Instruction

Randy Dorn was endorsed by the Executive Board at the state convention in June and was reaffirmed at the Board's September meeting. At that time it was agreed to forward the question to the State Committee. A motion was made to endorse both Randy Dorn and Terry Bergeson and a roll call vote was requested. The motion was defeated. Randy Dorn is the sole endorsement of the WSDCC.

Affirmative Action Committee Report

All Affirmative Action goals were met and in some cases exceeded.

DNC and Vice Chair Reports

David McDonald reports that the DNC is working to impose standards for precinct caucuses in the 2012 nomination process. One way or another, there will be a change to the DNC primary system.

Ed Cote reports that if Obama is elected President, he will appoint the DNC chair which may or may not be Howard Dean; if Obama is not elected President there will be an election for DNC Chair. He also reports that the fifty-state strategy is paying off and we have the strongest infrastructure ever.

Resolutions

Three resolutions were passed: one called for the House Judiciary to commence hearings on Articles of Impeachment against George Bush; another was from the Women's Caucus repudiating McCain and his vice president candidate choice of Sarah Palin as being contrary to the best interests of women and urging the election of Obama and Biden. The third involved a 21-year veteran of a State community college who was dismissed "because we can" after her election as AFT Local President. The resolution called for the WSDCC to communicate to several agencies their condemnation and request an adjunct job security system.

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 SW, Seattle, WA 98116 or jdupras@quidnunc.net.

KCDCC Report

The September 23 meeting of the King County Democrats was held at the Seattle Labor Temple.

There will be a fundraiser for the Governor on October 24th with Vice President Al Gore. Please call the campaign at 206.382.2008 for information.

Cindi Laws asked us to support George Fearing running for Congress in the 4th District to replace Doc Hastings ("Dump Doc!"). See Ivan or Marcee for contribution envelopes.

Dennis Moyers presented a new proposal called the Medical Cannabis Liaison that would help the lines of communication between doctors, patients and law enforcement.

NARAL field organizer, Tymmony Keegan announced GOTV opportunities with them. Contact her at 206.624.1990 to find out how.

Contact Emily to become a paid (minimum wage) election observer at 206.241.5885

Several Charter were endorsed: No on Amendment 1 which would make the Elections Director an elected nonpartisan position; Yes on Amendment 2 which would add disability, sexual orientation and gender identity to the list of grounds for discrimination; No on Amendment 4 which would establish additional qualifications for certain elected officials; Yes on Amendment 6 concerning budget deadlines; Yes on Amendment 7 which would increase the signature threshold for citizen-initiatives for charter amendments; and No on Amendment 8 which would make King County positions nonpartisan.

Endorsements were made to vote Yes on Sound Transit, City of Seattle Pike Place Market Levy and Parks Levy, and No on I-989, Tim Eyman's latest; Yes on I-1000 Death with Dignity; Yes on 1029 Long Term Care.

Two resolutions were passed: One to change the way PCOs are elected using the Top Two Primary. An incredible amount of time was spent counting write-in votes for PCOs because no threshold was required. The resolution asks that PCO candidates with no opposition be declared elected, and require declared write-in capability only.

The other resolution concerned the financial mess we are in: Stop the Bubble, Bust and Bailout Cycle. It asks that congress reject the Paulsen plan and enact a plan that contains the provisions that Democrats are asking for, including allowing judges to rewrite terms of bankrupt homeowners' mortgages so homeowners and/or tenants can afford to stay in their homes.

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Danielle Frank
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Josh Friedes
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 Holly Martin
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 Lowell Park
 Jason Parker
 Michael Parker
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 Julee Pate
 Timothy Paul

In Case You Missed Our September 10 Meeting . . .

The meeting was called to order at 7:00. Joe McDermott led the flag salute. The minutes of the July meeting, treasurer's report, and agenda were adopted with an amendment to the agenda to allow Tom Rasmussen to speak about the Parks Levy.

Ivan Weiss reminded us of fundraisers for Ladenburg and for Washington Public Campaigns, and Cherisse Luxa is collecting money for tickets for the White Center Food Bank dinner to be held on October 18. Ivan asks us to be sure to e-mail Doug Sutherland asking him not to approve the Maury Island Glacier project. You can find more information at the People for Puget Sound website.

Tim Nuse spoke about the registration drive on Alki Beach organized by Les Treall where 49 voters were registered and over \$300 in buttons were sold. The Executive Board will vote on the Leadership Development Committee's final draft.

Laura Hicks went to the convention as Dwight Pelz' page. She reports that there was a ton of work to do and the message she wanted us to walk away with was "If we don't work hard we're not going to win this election. Jim Jones was also at the convention. He was responsible for fixing many of the problems that arose. He said that at the beginning of the convention things between the Clinton and Obama delegates were tense, but by the end it seemed all were getting along and were on board with the message to get Obama Elected. Kimber McCreery, a Clinton delegate said that the convention was one of the most amazing events she has ever attended.

Kimber McCreery and David Ginsberg reported on the latest for the GOTV. It's not just Obama, we have a whole slate of State candidates that we need to elect, including the Governor. Neighborhood leaders are needed. They can be PCOs or other people in the precincts. Regional Leaders to help organize are also needed. The goal as always is to get all eligible voters registered. If you want to volunteer, the office is at 1310 Mercer. A Neighborhood Leaders training will be held to make sure that all are sent out with the same information and message.

Howard Dean will be at the Renton Carpenters Hall on Saturday, September 12 before people set out with canvassing lists.

The Gregoire campaign has yard signs and needs some volunteers.

Jeff Parsons spoke about I-1029 which would require workers who care for the elderly to have 75 hours of training, be state certified and have background checks. The cost would be \$23 million per biennium.

Tom Rasmussen, Parks Committee Chair, spoke about the Parks Levy. It's a six year levy with an average increase in taxes of \$81. Areas included are the Morgan Junction, Camp Long and Delridge Park. The cost of new projects will be \$145 million.

Joe McDermott made a motion to send out a direct mailing of a sample ballot. He recommended \$11,362 for 25,251 mailers. An amendment was made to mail 28,835 mailers at a cost of \$12,975.75. The amendment as well as the motion passed.

Greg Doss recommended leaving at least \$7,000 in the bank in order to allow the organization to function if membership drops off or the Garden Party is a bust. \$3,000 was set aside for newspaper ads. Assuming we want to leave something in the bank, we would have roughly \$10,900 to contribute to candidates.

The following contributions were approved by the membership: \$1,000 to Jason Osgood, \$500 to the Yes for Parks Levy campaign, \$500 to the Yes on I-1000 Campaign, and \$1,000 to John Ladenburg.

A motion was passed to hold off spending any more money until we have an accurate account of monies left in the account.

Steve Karbowski reported that the final LDC draft was complete. He wanted to thank everyone for their input and the committee members for their hard work. He looks forward to reporting back to the members the outcome of the E-board's decision.

The following endorsements were made: Suzanne Parisien and Tim Bradshaw for Superior Court Position 1; Adam Smith, Yes for the Parks Levy, and, not surprisingly, Barack Obama. A Yes vote on I-1029 was endorsed.

Conrad Knudtson made a motion that the 34th District Democrats urge the King County Council to reject wrapped advertising on Metro Buses which overlaps windows. From the inside it is difficult to see out and on dark, rainy days it makes the inside of the buses very dark. It's hard to identify the buses because they are not the same color as other buses. Dow Constantine spoke against the motion because it would reduce the County's revenue by \$600,000 and there is already legislation pending to limit the number of buses with this type of advertising to 25 throughout the county. The motion was tabled.

34th District Democrats Endorsed Candidates
President and Vice President: Barack Obama and Joe Biden

State Offices

Washington State Governor
Chris Gregoire

Secretary of State
Jason Osgood

State Treasurer
Jim McIntire

Attorney General
John Ladenburg

Commissioner of Public Lands
Peter Goldmark

State Senator
Joe McDermott

State Representative:
Position 1
Eileen Cody

Position 2
Sharon Nelson

US Representatives

Congressional District No. 7
Jim McDermott

Congressional District No. 9
Adam Smith

King County Superior Court

Position 1
Tim Bradshaw or Suzanne Parisien

Position 22
Julia Garratt or Holly Hill

Position 37
Barbara Mack

Ballot Issues

I-985 Transportation **Vote NO**

I-1000 Death with Dignity **Vote YES**

I-1029 Long Term Care **Vote YES**

Sound Transit Proposition 1
Mass Transit Now **Vote YES**

Seattle Proposition 1
Pike Place Market **Vote YES**

Seattle Proposition 2
Parks Levy **Vote YES**

King County Charter
Amendment No. 8
Nonpartisan Elections **Vote NO**

Ernestine Pearl-Rosendale
Henry Perrin
Karen Peterson
Michele Peterson
Bill Pfeifle
Annie Phillips
Judy Platt
William Pope
Chris Porter
Elizabeth Pratt
George Pratt
George and Pratt
James Price
Sharon Price
Bob Privett
Dona Purdy
Jennine Purrington
Alix Pye
Adrienne Quinn
Duff Radke-Boogen
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Page Rebelo
Mark Reddington
Martha Reddington
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Robbie Rulkowski
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Michelle Sachs
Bruce Saffery
Susan Saffery *
Jacob Saldana
Norene Saldana
Jim Sander
Charles Sawyer
Linda Sayre
Phyllis Schackenberg
Kevin Schafer
Martha Schafer
Jonathan Scheffer
Phil Schneider
Pamela Schubert
Richard Schubert
Mike Schultz
June Schumacher
Lena Scott
Joseph Sears
Julienne Sears
Matt Segal
Carol Sclander
Leslie Serebryakova
Helen Shampain
Sylvia Shapiro
Sasha Shaw
Diane Shearer
Bob Shields
Rick Shrum
Michael Shuler
Micheline Sierer
Christi Sifri
Phyllis Silver
Fam Silverstein
Dary Simpson
Terry Simpson
Shawn Sivly
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David Skover
Cheryl Sly
Don Sly
Judy Slyne
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Beverly Smith *
Forrest Smith
Holley Smith
Kirsten Smith
Pamela Smith
Vicky Smith
McGregor Snow
Susan Soller
Gayle Sommers
Diane Sosne
Olive Spannaus
Kay Sparks
Leslie Sparks
Donna Spear
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Karen Spino
Kathryn Sprigg
Wendell Sprigg *
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Shirley Stoll
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Thursday, October 2, 11:30
New Women's Discussion Group
Daystar, across from Westwood

Wednesday, October 8, 7:00
34th District Membership Meeting
The Hall at Fauntleroy

Wednesday, October 15, 7:00
Executive Board Meeting
7020 18th Ave SW, Common Room

Tuesday, October 14, 11:30
The Evergreen Democratic Club
Angelo's Restaurant, 601 SW 153rd

Friday, October 17, 7:30
Farewell to the Thief Benefit Concert
Trinity United Methodist Church, 6512 23rd Ave
NW

Saturday, October 18, 5:30
White Center Food Bank Annual Dinner
Brockey Center

Wednesday, October 22, 7:00
Burien Drinking Liberally
Mick Kelly's Irish Pub, 435 SW 152nd

Thursday, October 23, 11:30
West Seattle Democratic Women
West Seattle Golf Course Clubhouse

Saturday, October 25, 5:00– 8:00
**White Center Community Development
Dinner**
Brockey Center

Tuesday, October 28, 7:00
King County Democrats Monthly Meeting
Renton Carpenters Hall, 231 Burnett Ave N

Tuesday, November 4
Election Day—Don't forget to vote!

Thursday, November 6, 11:30
New Democratic Women's Discussion Group
Daystar, across from Westwood on Barton

"Our economy, I think, is still – the fundamentals of our economy are strong."
John Mc Cain, Jacksonville, Florida, Sept. 15, 2008

"The economy is fundamentally strong"
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