

34th District Democrats

West Seattle, Burien, White Center, Vashon and Maury Islands ★ **34dems.org**

October 2016 Chair's Message

Have you ever wondered what the 34th Dems Executive Board does? Have you ever thought about joining the leadership of our organization? Join us at Oc-Voterfest! Prior to our October 12th meeting, you're invited to a hoppy hour at 6:30 with local beer on tap and pretzels galore. Executive board members will be available to chat with you about what they do and to answer any questions you have about their roles. After lengthy service to this organization, many of our current leaders will be stepping down. We will begin the business meeting with a more formal presentation on the E-board roles. As a follow-up to this presentation, we urge those who are interested to attend our next Executive Board member meeting on October 19th. The King County Democrats' re-organization is in early December and the 34th Dems' re-organization is on January 11th. Re-organization will be upon us before we know it. It's time to see what it is that you can do to bring new life into this organization.

At Oc-VoterFest, PCOs and volunteers will receive walk lists and our sample ballots to distribute at doors across the 34th Legislative District. You'll hear from our leaders why GOTV is so important! It's time to volunteer to help out with the campaigns. You can find out more about the 34th Dems by volunteering. Because if you're not a PCO yet, but would like to volunteer to doorbell, you can pair up with an experienced PCO to see how it's done. All doorbell-ers get a 34th Dems T-shirt and a walk list with sample ballots to walk a precinct. This is how elections are won and how change at the top is created. Imagine how vibrant voting in this state could be with a Democratic majority in the State Senate and Tina Podlodowski as Secretary of State.

Hop on by at Drinking Liberally on Tuesday, at Pizzeria 22 any time after 6 p.m., to watch the Vice Presidential Debate! Oc-VoterFest -- Hops you can believe in!

Meeting Notice

October 12, 2016

6:30 Social, Hour (Oc-VoterFest

**The Hall at Fauntleroy
9131 California Ave SW
Across from the YMCA**

7:00 Call to Order

Program

**7:15 Presentation on 34th Dems Officer
and Committee Chair role**

GOTV

Tom Rasmussen and Others

Old Business

New Business:

Further Campaign

Contributions

Endorsement of Highline

School Bond, Prop. 1

Good of the Order

Adjourn to

Elliott Bay Brewery

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KCDCC Meeting Notes

By Steve Butts and Martha Koester

34th District King County Committeepersons
September 27, 2016

Representatives of the campaigns of Patty Murray and Suzan Del Bene gave brief updates. Bob Eugene is running for County Commissioner of Pend Oreille County. He said that it would be most helpful if Democrats from western Washington gave more support to those in eastern Washington so that Democrats could establish more of a presence there.

In his chair's report Rich Irwin discussed 88,000 emails that had to be sent out to caucus attendees. He asked for volunteers to be election observers. He requested up to \$7,000 to support media outreach to underserved communities; approved unanimously..

Andrew Villeneuve reported on the Joint Legislative Task Force, a group of Democrats from King and Pierce Counties focused on recruiting and supporting candidates in districts likely to regain control of the senate. Focus will be on the swing districts of the 41st and 5th LDs.

Endorsements were made on a number of local bond issues and initiatives. Guy Palumbo was endorsed as senator candidate from the 1st LD. The endorsement for the Sound Transit initiative was pulled for further discussion. Opponents mentioned the Smart Transit Group's point that there will not be enough new ridership gained and that rail is an expensive way to move people. Proponents argued that we have to prepare for regional growth. Rail has less carbon emission and that the package includes more bus rapid transit routes.

Ann and Javier reported on the state central committee meeting in Yakima

Joel and Dean requested that we send any proposals to the King County Democrats Bylaws Committee as soon as possible.

34th District Bulletin Board

34th District Democrats Meetings

All meetings of the 34th District Democrats are open to any of our members.

Executive Board

Wednesday, October 19, 7:00 p.m.
Puget Ridge Co-Housing Common House
7020 - 18th Ave SW

Other Meetings or Events

Drinking Liberally in Seattle

Tuesday, October 4, Anytime after 6:00 p.m.

Pizzeria 22, 4213 SW College St.

Evergreen Democratic Club

Tuesday, 11:00 a.m.
Angelo's Restaurant, 601 SW 153rd, Burien

Drinking Liberally in Burien

Wednesday October 26, any time after 7:00
Mark Restaurant, 918 SW 152nd

West Seattle Democratic Women

Thursday, 1:00 p.m.
West Seattle Golf Course
Check westseattledemocraticwomen.org
for meeting information

Metropolitan Democratic Club

12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m.;
Wednesday,
Plaza 600 Building, 6th and Stewart,
Suite 208

King County Democrats Monthly Meeting Tuesday, October 25 7:00

Renton Carpenters Hall
Tuesday, October 25, 7:00 p.m.
Renton Carpenters Hall,
231 Burnett Ave N.

Registration & Canvassing Events

Sunday, October 9, 10 am - 2:00 pm

West Seattle Farmers Market

Meet Marcee at 9:45 am in the Junction for clipboards, t-shirts, buttons and voter registration forms

Must RSVP to marceestone@msn.com or 206-465-1963

Coordinated Campaign Events

Contact Drew Estep, Field Organizer for the Coordinated Campaign

(406)529-4552 or

drew@wavictory16.org to let him know you help out. Here's what's currently happening

Ongoing Phone Banks

Mondays - at Kathy Marshall's

3620 59th Ave SW Alki area

Tuesdays - 3824 35th Ave SW 5:00

Thursdays Aerospace Machinist Hall
9125 15th Pl S 5:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Ongoing Canvassing

Saturdays and Sundays - West Seattle

Department of Licensing

8830 -25th Ave SW, 11am. -2:00 pm

Tuesdays C&P Coffee Shop 5612 California

GOTV canvassing and Voter Registration

in the 5th: Ilssaquah, Maple Valley and Renton

Meet to car pool at 900 Poplar Way South
Seattle on Saturday October 9 9:15 - 1:30

In the 30th (Federal Way)

32700 Pacific Hwy South, Suite 4

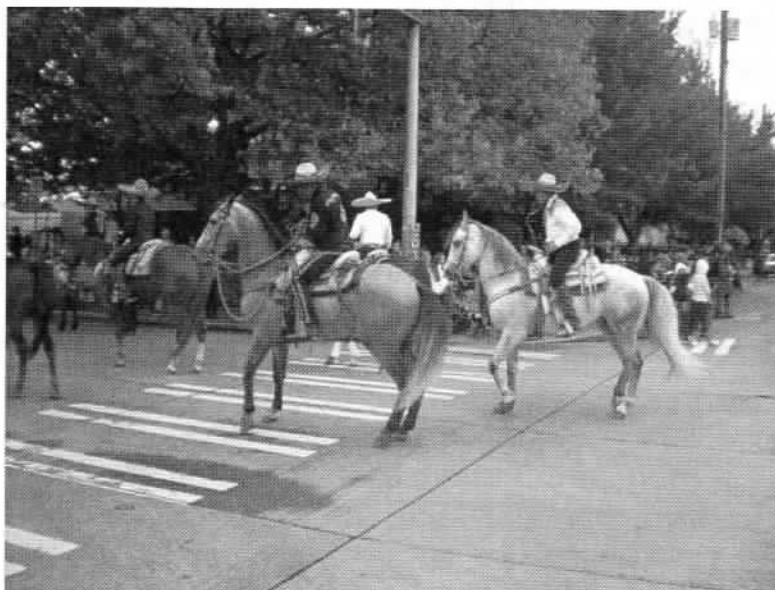
RSVP or arrange a ride, to Les Treall at
les.treall@gmail.com or 206-948-5423

For more information: Katalyn Sutton at
katalynn@gmail.com or 360-481-7547

The Hillary Contingent in the Fiestas Patrias Parade



Fiestas Patrias Parade



The Fiestas Patrias parade is by far the most colorful parade in our area. The people marching wear beautiful, colorful costumes, and there are horses, beautiful horses that dance, or at least it looks like dancing. After the parade, the horses and riders meet in the arena area and that's where they really show off.

Very few people from the 34th showed up to march, which is sad because it's such a fun parade. It's not just people marching and a fancy car with a celebrity in it swaying every now and then. There are the horses and there are low riders and participants in beautiful costumes. After the parade you can watch those beautiful horses

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Committee Assignments
for Our Legislators**

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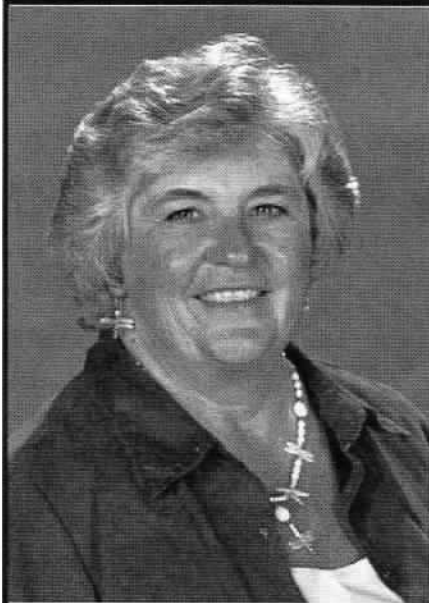
**A New Newsletter Editor
in November**

I started editing this newsletter around fifteen years ago. Toni Lysen was chair at the time and was desperate enough to appoint me. It sounded like something I would enjoy doing and since no one else wanted the job, it was mine, even though I didn't even know how to cut and paste until my teenaged son showed me how.. He told me I needed to take classes,, but .cutting and pasting is not that difficult.

I have enjoyed my job as newsletter editor but 15 years is enough and I'm not a kid anymore and there are places to go and things to do and a grandson. It's time to move on and let someone else take charge. So this will be my last newsletter. Steve Butts, who is a graphic artist and knows how to write is actually qualified for the job on his first day, unlike me. I'm leaving it in good hands and I'm happy about that. Steve will take over for the November newsletter

Jackie Dupras





In Memory of Kathy Keene

Kathy Keene, a former member of the Burien City Council, died on September 9 in Florida where she had recently moved. She had been a member of the Burien City Council, and also was a Water District Commissioner. She was appointed to the Public Works Board of Directors in 1991. Kathy worked as a long haul driver before she moved to the Seattle area, and Burien, to work for Boeing. She retired from Boeing a few years later to make and sell jewelry. Kathy was full of life. We will miss her

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**Please Join Hosts Georgette Valle, Dr. Arun Jhaveri,
Dorene Carrel, Jack Block, Jr. Bill Tracy, and
King and Toni Lysen for a meet and greet with State Senator
and Candidate for U.S. Congress, Washington 07
4 - 6 p.m. on October 16
At the home of King and Toni Lysen
12864 Shorecrest Dr. SW. in Burian**

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or 206.244.6611**

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Pramila is a bold progressive fighter who gets results. She has led movements for immigrants, and for workers and women's rights. - apprenticeship programs for working people, expanded access to contraceptives for millions of low-income women and invested in higher education.

In Case You Missed Our Last Meeting

The first item on the agenda after the call to order was to nominate Representative Eileen Cody for Position 1 and Representative Joe Fitzgibbon for Position 2. This is important because if there is a vacancy, that position will be filled by another Democrat only if that person is a nominated. Democrat.

Both Eileen Cody and Joe Fitzgibbon were nominated.

Pramila Jayapal won the endorsement with over 70% of the vote. Hillary Franz was endorsed for Public Lands Commissioner.

A mini forum was held with Pramila Jayapal and Brady Walkinshaw, candidates for the 7th Congressional District seat, and Hillary Franz for Commissioner of Public Lands. The first question for the 7th CD candidates was what is the first bill you would propose and how would you develop a coalition to accomplish it. Senator Jayapal said that her first bill would be debt free affordable college. She has relationships with members of Congress on this. Climate change is Brady Walkinshaw's top priority. His first bill would be for a carbon tax.

Our City Council member Lisa Herbold brought us up to date on the issue of the approximately 200 trees cut down near the Duwamish Head. This will likely be taken to county prosecutor or the city attorney for prosecution.

Earlier this year the City Council passed a small B@O tax increase and created a new business license tax to hire several hundred police officers. She worked to create a new tier of businesses with over \$5 million in revenue so the majority of the revenue would not hurt small businesses.

The Mayor announced the potential for reduction of speed limits - non arterial ,c from 25 to 20 miles per hour citywide and arterial speed limits would be lowered only in center city neighborhoods. She is working with residents on Beach Drive regarding drag racing. This week SDOT has decided to add additional speed bumps.

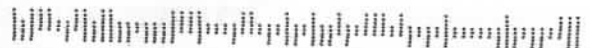
A new utility billing system has been implemented for City Light and Public Utilities. There were some errors immediately apparent when people were sent links online to other people's bills. They fixed it, but it has resurfaced again.



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