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Chair's Message for July

When you and I grew up, we were taught that America was a nation of immigrants. For more than 200 years America has stood as a beacon of hope to people around the world dreaming of a better life. And for more than 100 years the following inscription has been mounted on the pedestal of the Statue of Liberty:

"Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, the wretched refuse of your teeming shore."

The compassion-challenged current occupant of 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue doesn't read and probably doesn't even know that inscription exists. What he does know is that his most ardent supporters, inside his administration and out, are racists, white supremacists, and neo-fascists and nothing gets their hearts pumping like mistreatment of those who are powerless and seeking refuge. From the Muslim ban to family separation this administration has implemented some of the most draconian policies in our history.

With Democrats in the minority and Republicans unwilling to stand up to him, it's easy to feel powerless. That is what the fascists want, it's what they need, because they're a minority and can only seize and maintain power if the majority allows it. Well, as we showed last fall in Burien, we won't be complacent. We understand the power of grassroots organizing, the power of communities of resistance, the power of mass mobilization, the power of constituent visits to our representatives and the power of civil disobedience.

This month we'll look at the effects of these shameful policies right here in the 34th, including ways for you to get involved in standing up for justice for those seeking to come to America and immigrants already living here. Please join us on July 11th at the Hall at Fautleroy for a program on Trump's Cruel and Unusual Immigration Policies and their impacts in the 34th.

We look forward to seeing you July 11th at the Hall at Fautleroy!

In solidarity,

David

David Ginsberg,

Chair, 34th District Democrats

July 11, 2018

Meeting Notice

The Hall at Fautleroy, 9131 California Ave SW

Across from the YMCA - Parking behind the Hall

Accessible by Metro "C" Line

6:30 Potluck Social Time

7:00 Call to Order

Opening Ceremonies

Review and Approval of the Minutes and Agenda

Reports of Officers and Standing Committees

Chair's Report

Membership and Treasurer's Report

7:20 Unfinished Business

Primary Endorsement: King Co. Prosecutor

7:30 Program

Trump's Cruel and Unusual Immigration Policies and Their Impacts in the 34th

Jackie Lloyd-Evans from Holy Family on the impact of Trump's immigrations policies on families in the district

Larry Matsuda, who was born in an internment camp, on the impact of family displacement over the generations

Jimmy Matta, on the impact in Burien

Katie Harris on West Seattle/White Center rapid response, which organizations are responding local and what you can do to help

8:30 New Business

8:50 Good of the Order

9:00 Adjourn to Whiskey West

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KCDCC Meeting Notes - June 26, 2018

The meeting was called to order at about 7:15 by Chair Natalie Reber. After some housekeeping, the first order of business was endorsements.

The Endorsement Committee provided no recommendation for US Senate. I did not hear a reason. I intended to ask for clarification at the end but got distracted and missed my chance.

The Endorsement Committee produced a slate of 5 judges recommended for endorsement, and recommended Dan Satterberg for KC Prosecutor. Satterberg was pulled from the slate and the judges were endorsed.

Satterberg was moved separately and failed. Daron Morris was moved for KC Prosecutor and got 60%. With 2/3 required, so he failed too.

A slate of legislators was moved by the committee, including Joe Fitzgibbon. It was passed.

They then took on two races that the Endorsement Committee recommended endorsing candidates counter to the LDs endorsement. This included House position 2 in the 48th and the Senate in the 34th. In the 48th Pos 2, we endorsed the candidate endorsed by the LD, Cindi Bright, and did not endorse the candidate recommended by the committee.

For the 34th Senate race, the committee recommended Sofia Aragon. Chair of the 34th, David Ginsburg, spoke about our process and how we ended up with a duel endorsement for Joe Nguyen and Shannon Braddock and moved that we endorse both. This was approved. The committee then moved their recommended candidate and that failed 6-36.

That concluded the endorsements. For details on who was endorsed please refer to the KCDCC web site.

We had a financial report. We don't have much money but we are free from the office lease. The settlement with the Attorney General's office for previous PDC reporting violations will be finalized Friday 6/29 and we will have a report at the next meeting, which will be done in executive session. We will have a revised budget presented next meeting for approval.

We will hire a company, Argo Strategies, to handle our PDC compliance needs due to the resignation of our treasurer 10 days prior, and we approved a \$300 expenditure to pay for the July reporting.

Submitted by Les Treall, KCDCC Committeeman



Bob Farrell and Karen Richter from the 34th with Terri Lindeke and Don Bennett, 33rd LD Dems, at the Sea-Tac Detention Center immigration rally June 30.

34th District Bulletin Board

Annual Garden Party

JOIN US FOR DINNER, DRINKS,
A LIVE AUCTION, MEET YOUR REPRESENTATIVES, AND MORE!

THURSDAY, JULY 19TH
7PM TO 10PM
THE HALL AT FAUNTLEROY
9131 CALIFORNIA AVE SW, WEST SEATTLE



TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE AT
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34th District Democrats Meetings

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

Executive Board

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

Other Meetings or Events:

West Seattle Drinking Liberally

Pizzeria 22, 4213 SW College St.
Every 1st Tuesday, 6:00 pm

Evergreen Democratic Club

There will be no meetings in July and August.

Metropolitan Democratic Club

Plaza 600 Building #205, 600 Stewart St
2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 12-1:30 pm

Burien Drinking Liberally

Angelo's Italian Restaurant
601 SW 153rd St.
Wednesday July 25, 6:30 pm

West Seattle Democratic Women

West Seattle YMCA's Rotary Room,
3622 SW Snoqualmie St.
Check www.westseattledemocraticwomen.org

King County Democrats Monthly Meeting

Teamsters Hall in Tukwila
14675 Interurban Ave S, Tukwila, 98168
Tuesday, July 24, 7:00 pm

July Parades...fill the streets with Democrats!

West Seattle Grand Parade

Saturday, July 21 11am - 2pm. Come by 10:30.
Assemble on SW 46th Street South of Lander.

Vashon Island Parade...New this year!

Sunday, July 22, 11am-12pm. Please come by 10:30.
Assembly details to come

Contact **Nick Bonazza** at Nick5669@gmail.com

He's looking for parade participants and help at our booth
(See page 6)

White Center Parade

Sunday, July 22, 11am-12pm. Please come by 10:30.
Assembly area is on 16th Ave SW, south of 112th.

On Vashon Island in Ober Park An Old Fashioned Picnic in the Park With the Candidates

A 34th State Senate Candidate forum In front of the library.

Wednesday, July 25 at 6:30 pm

For more info contact Art Chippendale at
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Letters and Submitted Articles

We are Democrats, and like most Democrats we have strong opinions and like to express them. We welcome letters and articles.

All submissions are subject to editing. If submissions need to be shortened, you will be given the option of editing your own work.

Photos and notices of upcoming events are always welcome.

The deadline for the August newsletter will be Thursday July 26.

Mail to Steve Butts,
10254 36th Ave SW, Seattle, WA 98146
or email to swbutts@comcast.net

In Case You Missed Our May Meeting...

The June endorsement meeting started off with the Chair's Report by **David Ginsberg**. A concern he has is that with seven Democratic candidates running to replace Sharon Nelson's State Senate seat, there stands the possibility that the 33% of 34th's voters identifying as Democrats could split the vote, and sending two Republican candidates on the general election ballot. People look to our endorsements for guidance, and we must make sure that is put out to the public before they vote. Sharon is leaving "big shoes to fill". He also urged us to get tickets to the July 19th Garden Party.

Dale Bright, Political Director for the Laborers Local 242 was on hand to present us with a check for \$2,500.

Our representatives to the King County Democrats told us of the election of a new chair of that organization, **Natalie Reber**. They also informed us that they were now free of the lease office in Auburn. In a bit of irony, the space is now housing the Dino Rossi campaign for the Eighth District.

Endorsements began with a slate of non-controversial, previously endorsed candidates without Democratic primary challengers. This was passed by a vote of credentials.

Those seeking endorsement for the State Senate included **Sofia Aragon, Lois Schipper, Joe Nguyen, Shannon Braddock** and **Lem Charleston**. Another Democratic candidate, **Annabel Quintero**, was also present, but since she had not filled out the King County Democrats' questionnaire (a requirement for consideration) she was not allowed to seek our endorsement. She later introduced herself to the body.

Aragon spoke for herself. She is concerned about affordable-housing. She is a board member of the Washington Low Income Housing Alliance. She also wants to see everyone has access to higher education. She is a nurse and a lawyer and has been advocating for universal healthcare for a decade. **Schipper** wishes to put "families and children first" by fighting



homelessness and hunger, fully funding education and working for gun safety that would include a assault weapons ban.

Nguyen wants all families to have the opportunity to achieve the American dream and stressed "health care for all" - he relayed a family story of a crash that left his father a

Annie Phillips accepts her award as 2017 PCO of the Year.



Joy Pakulak, who has been helping us sign in at our meetings for six years, is stepping down as Membership Chair so she has more time to see to family affairs in Oregon. We will miss her!

quadriplegic. **Brooks Salazar** spoke for **Braddock**, who then later spoke for herself. She pointed to her experience as a working single mom, a board member of several community groups and her work with Joe McDermott on the King County Council. She proclaimed that she would be “ready on day one”. **Charleston** directed us to his having been in the US Marine Corps, a pastor, and as a police chaplain. He sees “millionaires on the beach” unhappy with high property taxes, and people on sleeping on the street “you know their not happy” He wants to bring his passion to help address the district’s problems.

The first ballot found Braddock on top with 57 votes but short of the 60% for a sole endorsement. Nguyen was second with 39. The second voting round resulted in a 62-62 vote tie and a dual endorsement.

Also endorsed was the signature gathering for three initiatives. I-1631 was presented by **Ann Martin**. It would impose a carbon emissions fee on businesses and use the proceeds to fund air quality and green energy programs, water quality and forest health projects. I-1644 would overturn Tim Eyman’s 1998 initiative I-200, and restore affirmative action in Washington’s state code. Bunny Hatcher presented I-1639, an initiative that would enact measures related to gun safety.

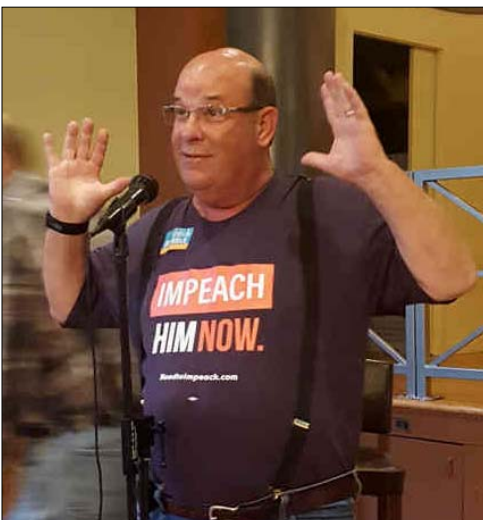


Tai Yang-Abreu is now our Digital Communications Chair and will manage our Facebook and Twitter accounts.

Daron Morris was put forth for endorsement for King County Prosecutor and introduced himself. **Dow Constantine** rose to speak on behalf of incumbent Dan Satterberg, who has recently switched his party preference to Democrat. Dow said that move now allows him to support Satterberg. Dow feels he is doing a good job in transforming our county’s justice system and we should not endorse his opposition. There was another speaker for Satterberg, and a speaker against. The endorsement for this office was tabled, with hope that both candidates could come to the July meeting to speak to their qualifications.

Southwest Sewer District Commissioner **Bill Tracy** was proud to announce that they will be officially opening their new facility in on June 26 in Burien located at 17840 Des Moines Memorial Drive South. He also announced that the White Center Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast fundraiser will be Saturday, July 21 at the White Center Eagles, a new venue this year.

Three new PCO’s were approved: **Daniel Pinstler** was appointed to SEA-1540, **Randy Litzenberger** will be Acting PCO in SEA-1514, and **Billy Powell** is now Acting PCO in SEA-1450.



Richard Bartlett tells us of the Tom Steyer presentation he attended. He got the T-Shirt.



Joe McDermott tells us to celebrate Pride Month and to continue to support diversity in the 34th.



Andrea Chin speaks to her campaign a position on the Seattle Municipal Court.

Report from the 2018 Washington Democratic State Convention

By Ann Martin, State Committeewoman

The state Democrats hold a convention every two years. Most are familiar with the presidential conventions because they get more media play and are a precursor of the national convention as well. There also are "off-year" conventions whose main purpose is to adopt a platform to guide the state party over the next two years. The three convention committees (Platform, Rules and Credentials) also meet. This year a number of constituency caucuses gathered on Friday prior to the convening of the general assembly.

I am happy to report that the delegates elected at the 34th Legislative District (LD) Caucus in March all attended the convention. There were over 500 delegates in total attending, including those elected in their respective LD caucuses and state committee members, LD chairs and Democratic elected officials, who were automatic delegates to the convention.

The platform is long, but progressive. There is an executive summary if you want to see the highlights. The adopted platform, resolutions and charter and bylaws amendments can be found on the state Democrats website, at the following address, under Party Documents.

<https://www.wa-democrats.org/about/documents>

Comments from attendees:

"It was way cheaper than Seattle in 2008, for sure. The Progressive Caucus had a great pizza party Friday evening."

— Martha Koester

"I worked at the convention in 2006, for Maria Cantwell- although just went for the day. Some crazy person tried to poke her in the neck with a sharp stick, I think the lady was a delegate and I think she got thrown out for it. I still remember that vividly....So this year was better."

I was on Rules, which full of people having a problem with the pledge of allegiance, national anthem and star spangled banner. I personally was not surprised by this. I wished people could focus on more important things. As always, David McDonald did a killer job running things.

I got a chance to chat with Rep. Frame who is a friend of mine and meet the candidates from the 8th

CD. All very impressive. I would say that I was disappointed that the party put up a pay wall for access to them. I'd say that event was also overly sanitized- but I can see both sides of that logic.

Lots of interesting people from other LDs. All very civil even when there was disagreement."

— Patrick Wicklund



In Remembrance - Former 34th LD Representative - Paul F. Pruitt, 1922 - 2018



Rep. Paul F. Pruitt in 1977
Photo - Wikipedia

Former 34th Legislative District Representative, Paul Pruitt, 1977 to 1985, passed away earlier this month on July 2nd.

Pruitt was born in 1922, in Shelton, Nebraska, and grew up in Nebraska, Idaho, and Washington. He graduated from Kirkland High school and attended the College of Puget Sound and then on to Yale Divinity School. He was an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ for many years.

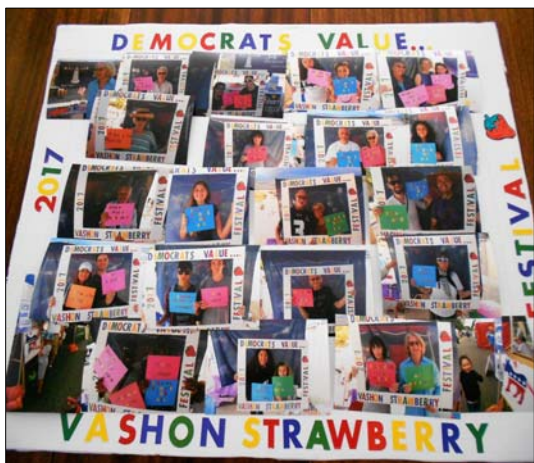
Pruitt was active in the Tacoma area civil rights movement in the 1960's, and helped start up the Seattle food bank programs. He served on the King County Board of Ethics. He was also active in the Church Council of Greater Seattle, WA Assoc. of Churches, Health Care For All-Washington Board, and Fellowship of Reconciliation.

Pruitt is survived by his wife of 69 years, Mary, and a large group of family members.

Volunteers Needed at the Vashon Strawberry Festival and Parade



Nick had a lot of success running our booth in 2017, with fun things to draw folks, including Pin the Tail on the Donkey, and a picture frame that people could use to express their causes.



Vashon's Strawberry Festival is a celebration of what makes Vashon Island unique. For the 109th year people from all over Seattle and the South Sound will join residents for a busy, fun filled weekend.

March in the Vashon Parade Saturday July 21, 11am

Bring the family to see the Strawberry Festival Grand Parade, which kicks off on Saturday, July 21 at 11:00 am with a children's parade, marching band, floats, drill teams, performance art, and much more. Other events include a classic car show, music stages, street dances, arts & crafts vendors, pancake breakfast, 10/5K run/walk, and lots of street food.

Help at our booth Saturday 10am - 7pm or Sunday 10am - 5pm

Join us at the 34th Dems booth where we'll be registering voters and talking about who we are, and providing information about endorsed candidates and initiatives. Reach out and connect with people and talk about our shared values. Information on the voter registration process will be provided.

To help, please contact **Nick Bonazza** at nick5669@gmail.com

Treasurer's Report for the July Newsletter

Balance as of June 02, 2018.....	\$ 27,307.25
Add Revenues	\$ 4,200.42
Less Expenses.....	\$ 3,908.00
Balance as of June 28, 2018.....	\$ 27,599.67



King County Executive Dow Constantine addresses the hundreds that showed up for a labor rally to protest the US Supreme Court decision In Janus vs. AFCME, which ruled that public employees can't be required to pay union dues.

"Why should we put up with freeloaders and deadbeats living off of the workers who are paying their dues to unions," Constantine said of this disappointing ruling.

Burien City Council Member Pedro Olguin along with Brooks Salazar and child came in support.



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