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In Remembrance of Jackie Dupras

The 34th District Democrats lost a long-time member and good friend in September. Jackie Dupras was 74. Few have been more active within our group than Jackie. Ivan Weiss describes her "as the heart and soul of our district organization". Among the many roles Jackie filled - beyond that as PCO and board member - we will remember her as our newsletter editor, button maker, and as our ambassador to the greater community through her weekly presence at the Sunday Market in the Junction.



Soon after joining the 34th about the year 2000, she was given the task of producing our monthly newsletter. These issues were long the main form of communication to our members, and serve as an archive of our activities. Composed with care and a personal flair, these monthly publications had to be printed and sent to hundreds of members 10 days prior to each meeting; it was a deadline she stressed. The printer once told me that he would often come in to work to find that month's issue in his email inbox ready for the press, having been sent late the previous night (or in the small hours of the morning). Once printed, Jackie would arrange for a small crew to help with folding and addressing. Kathy Minsch remembers:

"As 2003-2004 34th Chair, I was constantly impressed with Jackie's determination, drive and passion in producing a high quality newsletter to be proud of; I had to make sure to get my Chair's report to her by the deadline or face her ire! My favorite memories were spending time at Jackie and Ed's house for newsletter mailing parties, enjoying the entertaining banter and getting to know them."

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October 10, 2018

Meeting Notice

The Hall at Fautleroy, 9131 California Ave SW
Across from the YMCA - Parking behind the Hall

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 Midterm Election GOTV in the 34th

7:30 Unfinished Business None

7:30 New Business

- Consideration of Campaign Contributions
- Motion to Censure PCO Dan Gage for Conduct
- Unbecoming a Precinct Committee Officer
- Appointment of PCOs

8:00 Remembering Jackie Dupras

Members and friends are invited to share their stories and memories of Jackie Dupras

8:50 Good of the Order

9:00 Adjourn to Whiskey West

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KCDCC Meeting Notes for September 25, 2018

The treasurer's report now reflects the fines imposed by the Attorney General's Office for PDC violations from 2015/2016. It now shows a \$12,000 negative balance vs \$19,000 positive. \$12,500 will be forgiven IF we stay on track with payments and have no further violations. They did report that there are some claims against us for 2017 but they think the PDC will forgive them in bringing in the new PDC requirements. Stay tuned.

The candidate Support committee is holding a number of activities in the 8th CD for GOTV. Check the KCDCC web site or Facebook page for opportunities if you would like to help. <https://www.kcdems.org/our-party/our-candidates/>

The Training committee reported that there will be a PCO training in Algona-Pacific on October 1st. They have area trainers in South, East and North King County. In January, Martha Koester will step into the area trainer role for Southwest Seattle/Beacon Hill

The State Committee reps reported that the State party has used \$85,000 to pay Glen Morgan fines and fees. These monies came from LD PACs which have folded and were turned over to the State Party. They have not yet exhausted those funds. They reported that the resolution for removing the Snake River dams was tabled due to objections from reps from the agricultural areas. There was a motion brought forward by a candidate for the legislature from an Eastern WA LD for the removal of the Enloe dam on the Similkameen river, west of Oroville. This resolution passed.

They pointed out the need to change our bylaws to meet the new gender equality requirements where it applies to non-binary people. The new DNC protocol is that positions with men and women can now be men/nonbinary, women/nonbinary, and the statistically most likely women/men. A proposed code of conduct was approved.

There will be may canvassing opportunities in the next 30 days with Blue Wave bonanza https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?id=10254683449&story_fbid=10155834484708450 If you have not received your ballot by October 27th, contact the elections department.

New business: There was a motion to endorse the signature gathering for I-1000. This would overturn the I-200 laws against affirmative action. This passed.

They are working on a date for their Holiday Party fundraiser. It's trending to the weekend of 12/7 to 12/9, but has not been set yet.

Good of the Order — The 46th LD will have a discussion of caucuses vs primaries at their September 26th meeting. Currently neither our caucuses or primary meets guidelines set by the DNC — Picket the Freedom Foundation Friday September 28th in Bellevue. Call 206-261-1420 or 206-949-4552, or email organizedworkers@gmail.com — A proposal for care assistance for people with chronic conditions has been proposed, the Public Alliance for No-Deductible Anticipated Care. See <https://www.pandacare.org>, or email admin@poandacare.org.

Submitted by Les Treall and Martha Koester, KCDCC Committeepersons

Ballot-Palooza On Vashon!

October 22nd at the Vashon High School beginning at **6:30 pm.**

6:45 pm - Ballot Initiative Forum with representatives from each initiative (possible debates here between opposing sides.)

8 pm - Debate - Joe Nguyen and Shannon Braddock for the 34th LD Senate seat.

Beginning 5:30 pm, there will also be a Fundraiser to help send Student Journalists from Vashon High School's Award-winning Journalism program to Journalism Camp next Spring. They will sell food and drinks in the Foyer during the event.

The event is sponsored by: Vashon activist group "Unifying for democracy", Voice of Vashon and VHS Riptide

Contact Art Chippendale for info: arthur.chippendale@gmail.com

34th District Bulletin Board

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, October 17, 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

Angelo's Italian Restaurant
601 SW 153rd St., Burien
Please note new start time:
Tuesday, October 9, 12pm

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 October 24, 6:30 pm

West Seattle Democratic Women

Thursday, October 25
Contact Rachel Glass at werdachel@aol.com
For more information

King County Democrats Monthly Meeting

Teamsters Hall in Tukwila
14675 Interurban Ave S, Tukwila, 98168
Tuesday, October 23, 7:00 pm



The White Center Food Bank

14th Annual Harvest Dinner and Auction

Help continue a mission serving our community that started over 40 years ago!
at The Brockey Conference Center

Saturday, October 20, 6-10 pm

Tickets at: <http://whitecenterfoodbank.maestroweb.com/>

Info At: (206) 762-2848 or auction@whitecenterfoodbank.org



SW Youth & Family Services

Boldly Breaking Barriers

Night of Giving Gala

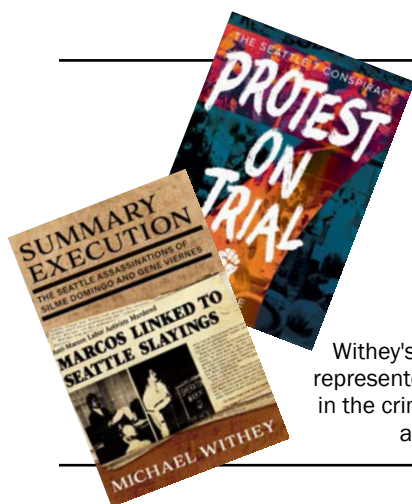
Join us as we put a spotlight on community needs and raise funds to help more children and families. The night starts off with a cocktail hour and wine toss, followed by dinner and an evening of lively conversation, a dessert dash, and the Volunteer of the Year award. The SWYFS Gala is a great opportunity to make a difference in the lives of the people we serve

Saturday, October 27, 5:30 pm

At the Seattle Design Center

Register at: <https://swyfs.ejoinme.org/SWYFSGALA2018>

For more information, please contact development@swfyf.org.



Meet the Writers

Join PSARA for a lively literary discussion centered on Seattle's activist history, featuring Michael Withey, author of *Summary Execution*, and Kit Bakke, author of *Protest on Trial*.

Sunday, October 14, 2:30 p.m.

Washington State Labor Council Offices
321 16th Avenue S, Seattle, WA 98144

To reserve a spot, or for info, email
organizer@psara.org

Withey's book deals with the 1981 murder of labor leaders and activists Silme Domingo and Gene Viernes. Withey represented the Domingo family in the subsequent trial, exposing the role of the Marcos dictatorship and US agencies in the crime. Bakke writes about the 1970 trial of the Seattle Seven, anti-Vietnam War activists charged with conspiracy to incite a riot. Bakke analyzes why Seattle was the only city in the country to bring such charges.

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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 October newsletter will be Thursday September 27, 2018.

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

Become more active in the 34th!

Become a Committee Chair - Two Positions Are Currently Open

The Membership Committee is accountable for:



- Maintaining a list of the members.
- Checking in members and ensuring they have their voting credentials.
- Making sure that all members are recognized with a nametag, and have them ready at the start of each meeting.
- Pairing new members with their Precinct Committee Officer.

The Hospitality Committee is responsible for:



- Welcoming new faces to our organization and making them feel at home.
- Helping to greet members at the beginning of every meeting.
- Procuring food and beverages prior to each meeting. (Did you know that our district is the only one in the state that is able to serve alcohol at our monthly gatherings? Our members will depend on you!)

If you are interested in one of these roles, please contact our Chair David Ginsberg at chair@34dems.org

34th District Democrats Endorsed Candidates for the November 6 Election

Federal

US Senate: Maria Cantwell
US House: Pramila Jayapal

State Senate

Dual Endorsement:
Shannon Braddock and Joe Nguyen

State Legislature

34th LD, Position 1: Eileen Cody
34th LD, Position 2: Joe Fitzgibbon

State Initiatives

I-1631 – Carbon & Pollution Fee
I-1639 – Safe Schools & Communities
I-940 – De-Escalate Washington

City of Seattle

Seattle Prop 1 -
Families, Education,
Preschool & Promise Plan

King County Prosecutor

Dan Satterberg

State Supreme Court

Pos. 2: Susan Owens
Pos. 8: Steve Gonzalez
Pos.9: Sheryl Gordon McCloud

Seattle Municipal Court

Position 1: Ed McKenna
Position 5: Willie Gregory
Position 6: Damon Shadid



In Case You Missed Our September Meeting...



State Senate candidates Shannon Braddock and Joe Nguyen prior to the debate.

The September 11th meeting featured an hour-long debate between **Shannon Braddock** and **Joe Nguyen**, our 2 endorsed candidates seeking to replace retiring Sharon Nelson as our State Senator. Following the debate, we heard from campaign workers who told us how to get involved in the “Blue Wave” in our district, the 47th LD and how to help Kim Schrier win in the 8th CD.

The meeting began with Chair **David Ginsberg** gave us an ad-libbed version of his chair’s report. We learned of the birth of Elliot Riley, the son of Kate and Sean Riley - Both of whom have been members of the 34th’s executive board as committee chairs. However Kate has stepped down as Hospitality Chair, and David put out a call to replace her, as well as someone to fill the role of also vacant Membership Chair position.

David also said he was dismayed to learn upon returning home from his honeymoon of a shooting in his High Point neighborhood, which was the 5th in West Seattle. Gun violence is something that came up later in the debate.



Member Ben Skwierz speaking at Good of the Order

We endorsed a slate of three initiatives for the November 6th Election: I-1631 (a fee for carbon and pollution), I-1639 (gun safety) and I-940 (to help curtail police use of deadly force). We had previously endorsed the signature gathering phase of two.

A planned vote on a resolution to the County Council to redirect money slated for maintenance of Safeco Field was cancelled as the matter had been resolved by council negotiations, and a vote by the council was scheduled for later in the week.

Moderated by **Chris Porter**, most of the debate centered on questions regarding the economy, taxes and inequality and issues pertaining to gun safety. A follow-up question regarding firearms asked how to bring more conservative representatives from other areas of the state onboard to effectively craft legislation. The last portion had the candidates respond to “What’s your highest priority you would advocate for us down in Olympia”. The entire debate is online: The West Seattle Blog was on hand to video the debate, and it’s posted on their website:

<https://westseattleblog.com/2018/09/video-34th-district-state-senate-candidates-shannon-braddock-joe-nguyen-debate-34th-district-democrats/>

After the debate we heard of opportunities to help become part of the Blue Wave in November.

Brittany Gregory, the Coordinated Campaign Field Organizer for the 34th District, urged us to get involved with the campaign locally. Even though the 34th is a progressive area, and we are sure to deliver votes for Democrats, we can’t take anything for granted - the initiatives on the ballot could be in particular need support. She asked that we volunteer to phone-bank and canvass, with special attention given to our unrepresented precincts. Reach her at: brittany@wa-democrats.org.

A representative from Dr. Kim Schrier’s campaign in the 8th CD addressed us. He described her journey from participation in the Womens March to her decision to run for office. The contest is against Dino Rossi is neck and neck, we were asked to help make Rossi a 4-time loser. They are doing phone-banking in Seattle. Find out how to help at www.drkimschrier.com/

We also heard from Hanna from the 47th District. They have the chance elect 2 women of color and to take a State Senate seat away from the GOP with Mona Das, as well as a Representative position with Debra Entenman. The 47th LD is in the Kent/Auburn area, and being that it is largely within the 8th CD means that it is another means to positively impact the Schrier/Rossi race while upgrading Democratic representation in Olympia.

County Councilmember **Joe McDermott** rose to ask for our endorsement of Seattle Proposition 1, the “Families, Education, Preschool and Promise” plan. This will provide support for preschool and early learning services, K through 12, and will help fund the “Seattle Promise” plan which will provide up to 90 credits at Seattle colleges for Seattle Public School graduates. School board member, **Leslie Harris**, voiced concerns about whether or not any of the Prop 1 funds would go to charter schools. It’s a question that she had placed to Mayor Durkan, as yet unanswered. The measure was endorsed by a show of credentials.

Notes From the WSDCC meeting Spokane - Sept. 16, 2018

State committee members **Chris Porter** and **Ann Martin** represented you at the Washington State Democratic Central Committee, which met in Spokane from Friday, September 14 through Sunday, September 16. Chair David Ginsberg also was in attendance. The Friday evening event was a pizza party hosted by the local Democratic organizations and included a showing of the movie "RBG," a bio of Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. See it. Saturday was a full day of committee and constituency caucus meetings. Notes from the general assembly are included below.

Chair's Report – Here are the five things people want us to do:

- Health Care for All
- Making sure everyone gets a living wage
- Education - not just K-12 or McCleary, but also teacher wages and what do we do to make college affordable? State Party Unionized
- Affordable housing
- Protecting Medicare and Social Security

As a result of doing our work, we were able to elect Manka Dingra to the Washington State Senate and therefore, were able to pass progressive legislation, esp. voter access. And thanks to the work of Dow Constantine we have postage free ballot mailing this year.

We are running Democrats in almost every legislative and senate race this year. Democratic incumbents seem safe; Republicans (26) in play. There are 27 organizers around the entire state as well as deputy field workers.

The state party is doing the fundraising, rather than burdening the coordinated campaign with that effort.

Dylan Kate, state field coordinator, is to develop a "Rise and Run" campaign immediately after the election. This effort will look at non-partisan races and identify Democrats or lean Democratic officials, creating a new slate of people to support.

David McDonald described how reorgs will happen. New PCOs take office Dec 1. State reorg will be in Olympia Jan 26-27, 2019.

Charter Amendments - Submitted bylaws and charter amendments were discussed. A gender equity amendment moved by David McDonald includes a third gender and makes gender equity a matter of not differing by more than one the balance of men and women. The motion passed without dissent.

Bylaws: An amendment to include seven appointed members aimed at addressing gender and diversity goals was put forth. There were two forms of this amendment. Both amendments were initially defeated. There were concerns about the failure to include disabilities in the diversity measures and the limited discussion with the Affirmative Action Committee. A motion was made by Chris Porter, 34th LD, to reconsider the amendment that would provide for the state Chair appointing seven executive board members aimed at achieving gender and diversity balance. Such appointment would be reviewed by the elected members of the executive committee and approved by the full state central committee. An amendment to allow a meeting of

the executive committee by a third of the members of that committee was passed. Otherwise the only person able to call a meeting is the chair. This could lead to problems if there needs to be a meeting and the chair refuses to call one.

Financial Report: The state party has income of \$3.3 million for the year to date. The budget projected \$1.5 million.

We are well-poised to pick up the 3rd congressional district.

Discussion of disability and religious diversity discussion at the DNC ensued as did DNC oil divestment, DNC members pay for their hotels and travels. The Rules Committee co-chair moved rules for councils and caucuses be referred back to Rules committee. The motion is passed.

A motion to suspend rules and bring item 13A regarding nominations forward. Nominations are needed because of the top-two primary; US Supreme Court the primary is not nominating a party representative. They are only expressing an opinion. Therefore the party needs to nominate to select a "standard bearer." And to assert our first amendment rights; we do not

agree with the top-two primary, but we need to respond to that decision. Motion to nominate slate as amended.

After pulling of candidates for the slate for various reasons including duplicates, two nominations for single positions where there is a preferred candidate, etc., the amended slate was passed. (Note: No nomination was made in the contested 34th LD senate race.)



Committee Reports:

Advocacy: The co-chairs presented recommendations for and against initiatives considered individually I-940 motion to support passed; I-1631 motion to support passed; motion to oppose I-1634 passed; motion to support I-1639 passed; motion to support "Maintained" on the advisory vote passed; motion opposing Eyman I-976 signature gathering passed.

Communications and Training Committee: putting together information for local parties. Also worked on was a job description to help understand what PCOs may do, and jobs available.

Elections: Field plan, candidate recruitment, etc. Every candidate was run through VAN to determine whether they were Dems in preparation for "Rise and Run".

Eastern WA Committee: lots of fundraisers, lots of Dem candidates. There are concerns about Snake dam issue.

Resolutions Committee: Several resolutions were passed by the body. Of note was the withdrawal of a resolution to remove the dams from the Snake River aimed at protecting and restoring the Snake River salmon and southern resident orcas. The proponents (Environment Caucus) and opponents (Ag and Rural Caucus) are working to pull together a compromise resolution that addresses both environmental and farming needs in the area.



Above are just a few of the many button designs that Jackie produced and assembled over the years.

Jackie also took on the job of designing and making scores of progressively-themed buttons to fit the issues of the day. She grouped them in categories such as Peace, Labor and the Environment and well as for the particular campaigns of the year...all listed on a spread sheet to keep inventory of those sold at our tabling events. People would stop by our booths specifically to see the latest designs...

all with a union bug.

Jackie would also sell her buttons from the little table she would set up nearly every clement Sunday at the West Seattle farmer's market where she would register voters and promote our Democratic candidates and issues. There she would often be joined by other members, such as Helen Daniels. Through her own initiative she helped to make our organization better known to others residing in the 34th District.

She was the long-time PCO for 34-1419. She assisted other PCOs by gathering campaign materials and printing out walking lists. She helped track membership and PCO



Former Chair Ivan Weiss recounts working with Jackie at Jackie's Wake October 7.

lists. Jackie worked on the Garden Party for many years in a wide variety of roles from producing the program to tracking auction items. She was also an eager participant in our parades and helped at our tabling events in the summer. She was present at our

caucuses and reorgs, here and at the King County Democrats. She attended a good number of State Party conventions.

Jackie was the "glue" that tied our group together across the years as new people came and went by serving as historian, and helping explain both rules and how we accomplished work and conducted events in the past.

For all of the above reasons, Jackie was given our Cherisse Luxa Lifetime Achievement Award in 2011.

Wherever local Democrats and progressives met, invariably you'd find Jackie. Not only was she a regular at our meetings, but you would see her at fundraisers for candidates and for community organizations across the district. You would find her at the annual MLK Labor Day Picnic and Drinking Liberally – both in Burien and West Seattle.



Ed Dupras invites everyone to raise their glasses in honor to his wife of 38 years.

Jackie enjoyed music, and was a long-time member of the Seattle Labor Chorus. She liked folk and Irish music in particular. She and Ed travelled to Ocean Shores every October for the Celtic Festival sponsored by a local Irish pub. When Kathryn and Wendell Sprigg moved from our district out to the coast, Kathryn insisted that they stop by for a visit. While chatting over breakfast, Kathryn mentioned that she was running the campaign for a candidate for the Ocean Shores City Council and that she would be waving signs with her candidate that afternoon. Kathryn relays:

"True to form, Jackie and Ed showed up and waved signs with us. It probably isn't the only reason that my candidate took out the incumbent but I'd like to think that Jackie's participation in our sign waving helped us in our win. She could never stay away from politics, even on a holiday outing."

Jackie is survived by her husband Ed, daughter Sarah and son Ted, sisters Marcie and Jeanne as well as four grandchildren.

– Submitted by Steve Butts



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