



**Dear fellow Democrats,**

For years we've been angry about the results of the 2016 election and the direction our country is going. For the past three years we've talked about how we want to kick Trump and his cronies out of the White House, and his allies out of the halls of power across America. Now, it's time for us to put our words into action.

In 2020 we will focus our efforts nationally to take on Trump, his allies, and the toxic values they peddle, including xenophobia, anti-semitism, and racism. Before we take on the hatred we're seeing across the country, we will spend our January meeting learning and discussing the hate that is pervasive here at home. Unfortunately, the statistics are astonishing, with hate crimes in Washington rising by 78% between 2013 and 2017.

On Wednesday, January 8th, join Nina Martinez from the Latino Civic Alliance and Attorney General Ferguson's Hate Crimes Working Group, and Kendal Kosai of the Anti-Defamation League of the Pacific Northwest, for a panel discussion on the prevalence of hate crimes in Washington State.

Also at our January meeting, you can renew your membership for 2020! We have ambitious goals for this year, including using our volunteer power to flip red seats here in Washington and across the country, so don't miss out by letting your membership lapse, and check out below how you can get more involved.

Here's how you can turn your despair into action in 2020 with the 34th Democrats:

- Renew your membership by January 31st!
- Join the Mobilization Committee to plan and lead our get out the vote efforts to flip red seats ( email DeLancey Lane at [delanceylane@gmail.com](mailto:delanceylane@gmail.com) ).
- Become a Precinct Committee Officer, a.k.a a neighborhood captain for the Democratic Party ( email Nick Bonazza at [nick5669@gmail.com](mailto:nick5669@gmail.com) ).
- Join the committee to plan the Democratic Caucus ( email Rachel Glass at [werdachel@aol.com](mailto:werdachel@aol.com) ).
- Attend our March 11th training on "How to Caucus & Run to be a Delegate"
- Attend our April 8th "Making The Blue Wave" workshop, and focused on our 2020 win plan

**Gina Topp**

Chair, 34th District Democrats

Renew or Become a Member at  
**34dems.org**  
[www.34dems.org/contribute](http://www.34dems.org/contribute)

**Wednesday, January 8, 2020**

**Meeting Notice**

**The Hall at Fauntleroy, 9131 California Ave SW**  
9131 California Ave SW (Across from the YMCA.)  
On the "C" Metro Line

**6:30** Potluck Social Time. Please bring a dish to share

**7:00 Call to Order**

**Opening Ceremonies**

Pledge of Allegiance

VIP Acknowledgements

Review and Approval of the Minutes and Agenda

Approval of the Minutes

Adoption of the Agenda

Report of Officers and Standing Committees

Chair's Report

Membership and Treasurer's Report

PCO Committee Report

**7:15 King Conservation District Candidates**

**7:20 Confirmation of New Executive Board Members**

Second Vice Chair: **Jesse Greene**

By-Laws Chair: **Art Chippendale**

Mobilization Chair: **DeLancey Lane**

**7:25 Yearly Awards**

**7:30 Resolution:** Urging Washington State Adoption of the Zero Emissions Vehicle (ZEV) Program

**7:40 Hate Crimes in Washington State**

Join **Nina Martinez** from the Latino Civic Alliance and Attorney General Ferguson's Hate Crimes Working Group, and **Kendal Kosai** of the Anti-Defamation League of the Pacific Northwest, for a panel discussion on the prevalence of hate crimes in Washington State.

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**9:00 Adjourn to Endolyne Joe's**

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**Allan Munro** | Parliamentarian

## Kathryn Sprigg Elected to Ocean Shores City Council



It was recently brought to the attention of the newsletter that long-time member of the 34th Democrats and former Secretary, Kathryn Sprigg, has been elected to a seat on the Ocean Shores City Council.

Upon Kathryn's retirement, the couple moved to Ocean Shores. The couple soon fell in with local Grays Harbor County Democrats by attending the Drinking Liberally chapter in Aberdeen. Not one to sit back, Kathryn continued her activism by serving as campaign manager for an Ocean Shores City Council candidate in 2017, in race challenging an incumbent. It would surprise no one, given Kathryn's enthusiasm, her candidate won the election.

She continued her community involvement by being a North Beach Senior Center volunteer and serving on the Ocean Shores Planning Commission. It was due to this zest for civic involvement – both here in Seattle and in her new community – that Kathryn was picked from a pool of seven applicants to fill a vacant City Council seat earlier this year. In stating her case for the job, Sprigg remarked: "Ask yourself, who shows up for events, Council meetings and other government gatherings? I do, and I love working with people."

This past November, Kathryn won the seat by a 17-point spread.

Some material from *The North Coast News*.



Kathryn and Wendell Sprigg, campaigning for Ocean Shores City Council candidate Susan Conniry in 2017. (Photo by Ed Dupras)

## WS West Seattle DW Democratic Women

Beginning January 2020 all WSDW meetings, either for lunch or dinner, **will return to the Banquet Room of the West Seattle Golf Course, 4470-35th Ave SW.**

Our **January 23rd** meeting will be a dinner meeting 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm and our guest will be **Ron Sims**, former Deputy Secretary of the US Dept of Housing & Urban Development for two years during the Obama administration and a former King County Executive. We've asked him to share his words of wisdom and inspiration to reflect upon as we work our way through the upcoming year.

For more info on our evening vs. luncheon schedule, the cost involved, etc. please check: [www.westseattledemocraticwomen.org](http://www.westseattledemocraticwomen.org) or email [wsdwomen@yahoo.com](mailto:wsdwomen@yahoo.com) with your questions.

# 34th District Bulletin Board

## Executive Board

*Open to all of our members*

Ann Martin's Home (This month only)  
3618 SW Orchard  
Wednesday, January 15, 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  
Tuesday, January 7, 12pm

### Metropolitan Democratic Club

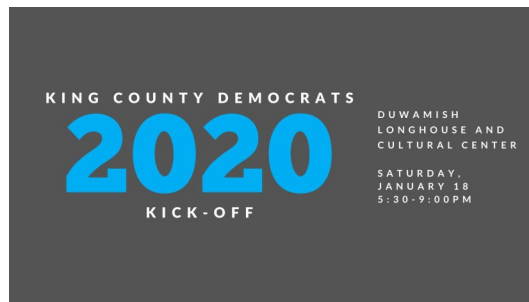
Gethsemane Lutheran Church  
911 Stewart St., Seattle 98101  
2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 12-1:30 pm

### Burien Drinking Liberally

Angelo's Italian Restaurant  
601 SW 153rd St.  
Wednesday, January 22, 6:30pm

### King County Democrats Monthly Meeting

Carpenters Union Hall  
231 Burnett Ave N  
Renton, WA 98057  
Tuesday, January 28, 7:00 pm



## 2020 Kickoff for King County Democrats

**Saturday, January 18, 2020 • 5:30—9 PM**

**at the Duwamish Longhouse & Cultural Center**

4705 W Marginal Way SW, Seattle, WA 98106

### Come join us for a great party!

As members of King County Democrats, you know just how critical the year ahead will be - for our state, country, and future. We hope you'll join us for an inspiring night to meet your neighbors, hear from local leaders, and strategize a game-changing year ahead.

### Tickets at

[https://actionnetwork.org/ticketed\\_events/2020-kickoff-for-king-county-democrats](https://actionnetwork.org/ticketed_events/2020-kickoff-for-king-county-democrats)

## Volunteer for the April 26th LD Caucus!

Although we are using the primary to pick our choices for the 2020 presidential nominee, the 34th District Democrats will be hosting a LD Caucus. At this gathering supporters of the qualifying candidates will pick delegates to go forward to the next level, to select those that will be part of Washington's delegation to the national convention in Milwaukee.

We have started planning for this event. Please consider to be a part of this effort. You can help in planning and/or volunteer onsite the day of the caucus. Let's make this year's caucus a success!

The next meeting is **Thursday, January 9 at 6:30pm**

at **The Great American Diner and Bar in the Junction**

4752 California Ave SW, Seattle, WA 98116

Please RSVP to **Rachel Glass** at [werdachel@aol.com](mailto:werdachel@aol.com) so she can inform the restaurant of the number of people coming so they can accommodate us.



## Contact Information and Committee Assignments for Our Legislators

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Chair), Environment, Energy &  
Technology  
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Olympia, WA 98504  
(360) 786 - 7667



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Chair, Health and Wellness  
Appropriations

303 John L. O'Brien Building  
PO Box 40600  
Olympia, WA 98504  
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### Representative Joe Fitzgibbon

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Agriculture, & Natural  
Resources

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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 February newsletter will be Friday January 31, 2020.**

Mail to Steve Butts,  
10254 36th Ave SW, Seattle, WA 98146  
or email to newsletter@34dems.org

## Holiday Party 2019

We closed out the year by celebrating our successes and honoring those that have made special contributions to our organization during the year....while enjoying Ivan Weiss' smoked turkey and treats from the kitchens of our members and guests. These are the award winners for 2019:

Jackie Dupras Award for Member  
of the Year

**Colleen Hinton**

Executive Board Member  
of the Year

**Carla Rogers**

Rising Star

**Ben Reilly**

Committee of the Year

**The PCO Committee, led by Nick Bonazza**

with the able participation of Max Brown, Jeff Sbaih, DeLancey Lane, Linda Bonazza and Gina Topp.

Cherisse Luxa Award for  
Lifetime Achievement

**Steve Butts**

Elected Official of the Year

**Jimmy Matta**



Colleen Hinton



Nick Bonazza



Steve Butts



Ben Reilly





Left to right: Diane Vincent, Mary Fisher, Grace Stiller and Tamsen Spengler



Michael Parker!!!



Chair Gina Topp between our Reps.  
Joe Fitzgibbon and Eileen Cody.



Chris Porter shares selfie space with  
Gina Topp.



Martha Koester with her husband Kurt.



Karen Richter chats with Steven Jamieson.



Nick Bonazza and Chris Weiss.



DeLancey Lane and Steven Jamieson pose  
happily for the camera.

Party Photos by Chris Porter and the editor.

# **Resolution Urging Washington State Adoption of the Zero Emissions Vehicle (ZEV) Program**

*WHEREAS the climate crisis requires bold action to reduce carbon emissions;*

*WHEREAS gasoline is the single largest source of carbon emissions in Washington State;*

*WHEREAS the electricity that powers electric vehicles in Washington State is overwhelmingly produced by renewable energy;*

*WHEREAS electric vehicles do not emit carbon or other pollutants nor leak motor oil into waterways;*

*WHEREAS the cost of electric vehicles is at or in approximate parity with comparable gasoline-powered vehicles on a lifetime cost-of-ownership basis;*

*WHEREAS ten states--California, Oregon, New York, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Connecticut, Maryland, Rhode Island, Vermont and Maine--have adopted the Zero Emissions Vehicle (ZEV) program first developed in California, Senator Joe Nguyen of the 34<sup>th</sup> LD is sponsoring ZEV legislation for Washington State;*

*WHEREAS the California's ZEV program requires that 2.5% of each automaker's vehicles sold in the state be electric in 2019, rising to approximately 8% by 2025;*

*WHEREAS the ZEV program has already resulted in a greater availability and variety of electric vehicles, more consumer choice, and lower prices, in the states that have adopted it, and*

*THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the 34<sup>th</sup> District Democratic Organization urges the Washington State Legislature to promptly enact legislation to adopt the ZEV program; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this resolution be sent promptly to Governor Inslee and to our legislative representatives.*

*<https://www.ipcc.ch/2018/10/08/summary-for-policymakers-of-ipcc-special-report-on-global-warming-of-1-5c-approved-by-governments/>*

*<https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/publications/documents/1802043.pdf>*

*<https://www.eia.gov/state/?sid=WA#tabs-4>*

*<https://www.forbes.com/sites/constancedouris/2017/10/24/the-bottom-line-on-electric-cars-theyre-cheaper-to-own/#38ebac7a10b6>*

*<https://www.c2es.org/document/us-state-clean-vehicle-policies-and-incentives/>*

*<https://www.ucsusa.org/clean-vehicles/california-and-western-states/what-is-zev>*

*<http://ev-vin.blogspot.com/2016/07/current-lease-offers-for-selected-evs.html>*

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*Originated by Arvia Morris of LD43, Matthew Metz, of Coltura, and edited by Dean Fournier of LD32 and Ann Martin of LD 34.*



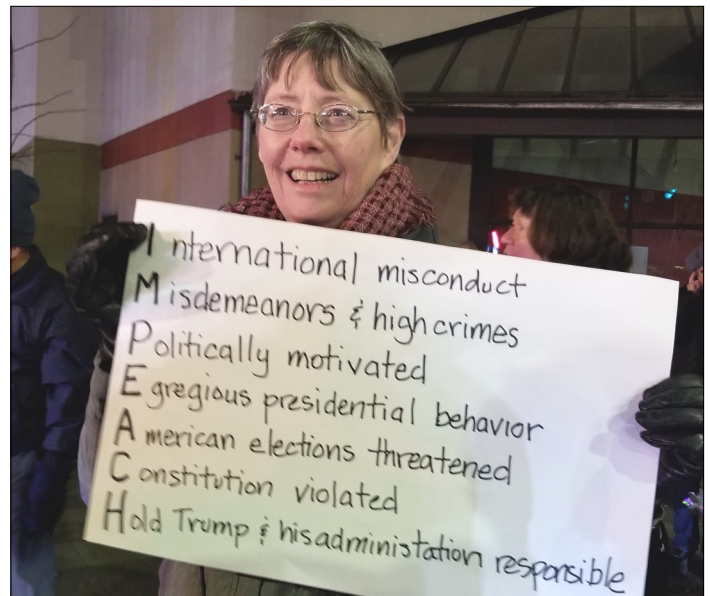
## 34th Members at Impeachment Eve in the West Seattle Junction



Left to Right: Treina Aronson, Ann Martin, Tamsen Spengler and Rachel Glass



Marcee and Max Vekich



A close-up of Ann's sign.



***Thanks to all who contributed to Navos at our Holiday Party, and to Joy Pakulak for coordinating this effort again for 2019.***

“ On behalf of our Board of Directors, staff, and the clients we help, thank you for your generous donation of gift cards, valued at \$400.00, to Navos. Because of your generosity, many of our most vulnerable clients and patients, ***over 90% of who live at or near poverty***, will enjoy a much happier holiday season...

Erica Rajecki  
Development Director, Navos



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Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

If you use a P.O. Box, do you live in the 34th District? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ \* Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

\*Employer \_\_\_\_\_ \* Employer City \_\_\_\_\_

**Please consider paying your dues in monthly installments...Go online to [www.34dems.org/contribute](http://www.34dems.org/contribute)**

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