



## 30th Legislative District Democratic Organization

Regular General  
Monthly Meeting  
Oct 7, 2009

First Wednesday of  
each month 7 – 9 P.M.  
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### OCTOBER 7, 2009 Meeting

The scheduled speaker for Oct. is Jim Ferrell.

The following is from Beth: Lets have a little "chin talk" with my friends in the 30<sup>th</sup> district. After a 3 week trip to Great Britain I want you all to know that they are so friendly and so interested in our country. When they found out that my daughter and I were from the States, they would ask: "Did you vote for Obama?" When we would reply "Yes.", they would say "We LOVE Obama." Also the front of a car is called the bonnet and the back is a boot. They have many roundabouts. I was in a pub and was sung to in Gaelic. They are a hoot. I have many photos that I will share with you soon. Beth Bryson Zubitis.

All persons interested in the **WA State Committeeman** position may be nominated from the floor. There will then be a vote - all appointed and elected PCO's will be eligible to vote.

### The 30<sup>th</sup> District Democrats have endorsed the following candidates

### VOTE FOR:

#### King County Executive

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#### Lloyd Hara

**John Creighton**

**Rob Holland**  
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**Max Vekich**

**Paul Mallory**

**Leanne Guier**

**Melissa Ponder**

**Susan White**  
**Rebecca Robertson**

**Renee Walls**

**Roger Freeman**

**VOTE NO on I-1033**

**VOTE TO APPROVE REF. 71**

## Referendum 71 - VOTE TO APPROVE.

This will retain the domestic partnership law as it currently stands. **We must communicate with voters to explain that referenda require an APPROVE vote in order to retain a law.** In November we will be voting to **APPROVE** the domestic partnership law. (Those trying to repeal the law will be voting to reject Ref. 71.)

**Now is the time** to start telling your family, friends and co-workers to think of it this way: we are not voting to approve the referendum. **We are voting to approve the domestic partnership law. We are voting to approve protections for all families.**

Log on to [www.wafst.org](http://www.wafst.org) to find out more. This website is **Washington Families Standing Together.**

### More About Health Care

- The U.S. is the only nation in the industrialized world **not to have** universal health care -- the U.S. expends twice as much on health care as other industrialized countries

46 million people in U.S. have NO health care insurance  
-60 million people do not have access to a doctor - 18,000 die each year because they get to a doctor too late.

- 5 million people lost their health insurance in the last 8 years - AARP -- (an insurance sales company) is far from impartial on this issue -- one million people go bankrupt each year and they have health insurance! -- we spend 30 cents out of every dollar on administration - we are in the worst recession since the 1930's because of greed on wall street -- the VA is a socialized system, gov't run, administered health care system -- **Medicare is single payer** -- we pay more for end of life care than any other country in the world -- U.S. has most unequal distribution of wealth of any nation on earth -- the richest 1% has more than the bottom 50%

Meet Nancy Randolph from Maine. Before her first husband died of cancer, they thought they had great health insurance -- until their insurance company denied him needed care. That drove them into bankruptcy. **Now, the senator who Nancy voted for -- Republican Olympia Snowe -- opposes the public health insurance option.** And Nancy has something to say on that..([Info@BoldProgressives.org](mailto:Info@BoldProgressives.org))

[Click here to see our new TV ad featuring Nancy holding Olympia Snowe accountable -- then, help put it on TV.](#)

## Tim Eyman's bad idea on your ballot

### VOTE NO on Initiative 1033 !

Another Tim Eyman initiative - a misleading initiative that will have thousands of unintended consequences - and it's an idea that has **already been proven a failure** in other states.

**I-1033 would slow economic recovery and leave us in a permanent recession.** This year Washington faced a devastating budget deficit. **I-1033 would lock in this year's budget as our baseline.** The worst of times in Washington, would become the best that we can hope for.

**I-1033 threatens education and health care.** Unemployment is still on the rise, families being kicked off health care, teachers across the state being laid off, and nursing homes and hospitals being forced to reduce their care. As the economy recovers, we could restore funding to these services - **but under I-1033 the current situation would become permanent.**

**I-1033 is a proven failure. A similar initiative passed in Colorado in 1992.** Since then, Colorado's economy has been devastated and funding for services ranging from education, to the judicial system, to health care, and libraries has plummeted. The situation was so critical that **in 2005 voters put the law on hold so their state could recover.**

Similar initiatives been defeated at the ballot in Maine, Nebraska, Oregon and most recently California—and they've been kept from the ballot in Ohio, Missouri, Oklahoma, Montana, and Michigan. Between 2005 and 2009, a similar proposal was introduced legislatively in 28 states (AL, AZ, CA, FL, GA, ID, KS, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NH, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, TN, TX, VA, WI). Colorado remains the only state to have adopted this terrible idea.

Note: The State Office of Financial Management has estimated that Eyman's plan will cost the State \$6 billion by 2015, and will cost local governments another \$2.8 billion in the same time frame.

**VOTE NO ON I-1033**

Bill Moyer's Journal - public affairs program airs Friday nights 9 p.m., PBS, Channel 9. The Moyers Blog is at [pbs.org/movers](http://pbs.org/movers).

**Healthcare Reform & the Public Option**  
**Patriot Majority** believes it is our patriotic duty as Americans to pursue policies that make health care affordable.

**We cannot allow the opponents to kill healthcare reform.**

The opponents are organized and spending millions of dollars (1.4 Million \$ a DAY) to kill the public option and the employer mandate.

Republican Dick Arney has predicted that healthcare reform will "fail spectacularly" and has called pro-reform legislators the "bedwetters caucus."

**Urge your representatives to pass a strong public option, an employer mandate and no taxes on healthcare benefits.**

Congress is listening. Make your voice heard TODAY! Call 202-224 3121. Email your Senators and Member of Congress immediately and tell them that you support real healthcare reform that includes a strong public option, an employer mandate and no tax on healthcare benefits

### THE SUPREME COURT & CORPORATIONS

. During arguments in the campaign-finance case, **Justice Sotomayor** said, "Judges created corporations as persons, gave birth to corporations as persons. **There could be an argument made that that was the court's error to start with...**[imbuing] a creature of state law with human characteristics." She's right! Because of this ruling, corporations are asserting that they...should stand side-by-side with humans in having access to the Bill of Rights. Nike asserted...that these corporations have First Amendment rights of free speech. Dow Chemical...asserted it has Fourth Amendment privacy rights and could refuse to allow the EPA to do surprise inspections of its facilities. J.C. Penney asserted...that it had a Fourteenth Amendment right to be free from discrimination -- the Fourteenth Amendment was passed to free the slaves after the Civil War -- and that communities that were trying to keep out chain stores were practicing illegal discrimination. Tobacco and asbestos companies asserted that they had Fifth Amendment rights to keep secret what they knew about the dangers of their products. A corporation today can have an infinite lifespan. It doesn't fear death. It doesn't fear pain or incarceration. It doesn't need fresh water to drink or clean air to breathe. It doesn't need health care or retirement. **Corporations are not people and should have privileges not rights.** (The above thanks to Thom Hartmann)

**HAVE YOU PAID YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR 2009? IF SO, THANK YOU - IF NOT, PLEASE DO!** Dues are due in February of each year. PCOs are encouraged to pay dues. (If your name is not on this list, check with the Treasurer.)

**President's Club:** Frank/Beverly Warnke, Art/Dee Fluharty, Jeff/Kaori Holden, Jem Wear, Sterling Smith

**Senator's Club:** Peg/Jay Altman - Hope Elder - Rick Hoffman - LeeAnn Prielipp - Linnea Peterson - Ron/Mary Simosky - Beth Zubitis

**Members:** Pat Artz - Karen Backman - David Baine - Andrew Boike - Tim Burns - Barbara Carmichael - Howard/Vernita Christianson - Donna Cirincione - Larry Coghill - Marguerite Condon - Michael/Sue Dillard - Lupe Cook - Bob Dickinson - Tracey Eide - Al Frank - Roger Freeman - Linda/Elbert Gage - James//Madalyn Grayson - Carol Gregory - John Haynes - Max Hedgecock - Miriam Helgeland - Larry Jackson - Patricia Johnson - Joyce Johnston - Pat Kemp - Michael/Mary Kun - John/Darcy Lees - Nancy LeMay - Paul Mallary - Jean Matthew - Kevin McManis - Thos. Miller/Anne Robsamen - Jean Noe - Kurt Peppard - Romana/Carolyn Perna - Richard/Nancy Poppe - Barbara Reid - Verleene Riggins - Ed Sedlak - Alan Simmons - Jeffrey Snow - Keith Tyler - Patricia Vanderlinde - Inez Walker - Gigi Williams

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**King County Elections: 206 296 VOTE**

Track WA Bills & Votes Here:

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**Thom Hartmann 9 to noon M-Fri**

**Rob't Kennedy on Ring of Fire on Sat or go to: [www.goleft.tv](http://www.goleft.tv)**

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Senator's Club: \$50      President's Club      \$100      Newsletter only:      \$ 5

**Any registered voter residing within the 30<sup>th</sup> Legislative District who hereby declares him/herself to be a Democrat may become a voting member upon payment of Annual Dues.      *Dues are payable at time of joining and renewable in February each year.***

**CALENDAR**

Wed 10/7      30th District Democrats *Regular General meeting*, 4016 S 352 St  
98001 (1/2 mile west of Military)      7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.  
Doors open 6:30 P.M.  
**REMEMBER TO BRING ITEMS FOR RAFFLE/FOOD BANK**

Wed 10/14      Exec Board Meeting, Meridian Court, 31420 23 Ave S, 7:00 P.M.  
This meeting will now be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each  
month (not Thursday).

**EVENT DATES AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. CHECK AGAIN LATER**

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