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Regular Monthly General Meeting: **March 5th, 2014**

First Wednesday of each month, **7:00 to 9:00 pm**

WEA, 32032 Weyerhaeuser Way S., Federal Way

**From The Chair**

**Official Call (1)** This is the Official Call announcing the 30th LD Caucus to be held at 1:00 pm on Sunday, March 9, 2014, at the Federal Way Library (34200 First Way S., Federal Way, Meeting Room 2). The primary purpose of the caucus is to elect delegates to the 2014 Washington State Convention to be held on June 21 in Spokane, Washington. Any person who is, or can be, registered to vote in the 30th Legislative District on or before November 4, 2014 (including those who will be 18 years of age) and who publicly declares to be a Democrat is eligible to vote for delegates and/or be nominated to be a delegate. The 30th LD Democrats are allocated 6 elected delegates and 3 alternate delegates from King County and 1 elected delegate from Pierce County, in addition to automatic delegates (Chair, State Committeeman and State Committeewoman). The proposed agenda and proposed rules of the caucus are available elsewhere in this newsletter. There is no fee for attending the caucus, however, donations will be greatly appreciated.

**Official Call (2)** At the March 5, 2014 monthly membership meeting there will be an election for the position of State Committeeman due to the resignation of Geoffery McAnallo. Geoffery was elected to the Federal Way Board of Education in November and was subsequently selected to be the Board Vice President. His plate is full with these new responsibilities. All elected and appointed PCOs will be eligible to vote in this election.

**Official Call (3)** A resolution regarding the Nuclear Negotiations with Iran will be presented for action by the membership at the March 5, 2014 meeting. The resolution is available at the end of this newsletter.

**2014 Membership Dues are now due.** Dues are an integral part of our fundraising for each year and are dedicated to the normal operating expenses of the organization as well as providing financial support of our endorsed candidates.

**Heads Up** Precinct Committee Officers for 2015-2016 are elected in the Primary Election on August 5, 2014. To be elected one must file for

election with their County elections department during filing week, May 12 through 16. Only those PCOs elected in the August Primary will be eligible to vote for the elected leaders in the county and LD reorganization meetings in December and/or January 2015. The election of officers in each of the respective organizations will determine the strength and viability of those organizations for the future. Please consider becoming an elected PCO in your precinct. For additional information contact 1st Vice Chair, Richard Champion (richard.champion@gmail.com).

**4th Annual South King Dinner and Auction**

volunteers are needed to provide 5 sauces, 5 desserts and auction items for this event on Saturday, May 17 at the IAM Hall in Seattle (see flyer). Contact Ginny Leach (ginnytleach@gmail.com) or Tim Burns (chair30LDdems@aol.com) for tickets or more information.

**Outreach Committee**

by Jodi Riker, Chair

ARE YOU READY!

- July
  - 4th **Federal Way Red White and Blues**  
Hosted by Randy Smith
  - 4th **Auburn 4th of July Event**  
Hosted by Jodi Riker
  - 11th-13th **Pacific Days Event + Parade**  
(*Host needed* - please sign up!)
  - 18th-20th **Algona Days + Parade**  
(*Host needed* - please sign up!)
- August
  - 8th-10th **Auburn Days + Parade**  
Hosted by Jerry Yap
  - 15th-17th **Milton Days + Parade**  
Hosted by Ginny Leach / Cheryl
- Reid-Simons
  - 16th **30th District Democrats Picnic**  
Hosted by Jim Grayson
  - 30th-31st **Yard Sale**  
Location to be announced. Sign up, get your price stickers.

September 6th **Washington State Fair**

November 5th - **Soup and Bread Fundraiser** - \$10.00 / person

December 3rd - **Holiday Party**

Have ideas? Let us know or come by a meeting and share. Just drop an email or call:

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**LAC - Day on the Hill & Crab Feed After Action Report**

by Roger Flygare, Chair

On February 16, 2014, Walt and Carolyn Brooks and I met to discuss plans for our visit to the Olympia legislative campus on behalf of the 30th Legislative District Democrats. We talked about needing to keep our talking points brief and on focused on important issues that are currently in front of the legislature: Minimum wage, paid sick leave, voter’s rights, single payer medical coverage, and the Dream Act.

The morning of February 17th, the contingency of “Day on the Hill” advocates (Tim Burns, Carolyn and Walt Brooks, Ginny Leach, Chris Truppner, Lynnette (Shureb) Dachille, Jerry and Jodi Riker Yap and myself) assembled briefly in the conference room at Flygare & Associates to discuss issues and timing of our prearranged meetings with our local legislators, Senator Eide (11:00 a.m.), Representatives Freeman (12:00 Noon) and Kochmar (12:45 p.m.).

We departed for Olympia allowing plenty of time to navigate the heavier than anticipated traffic and arrived safe and sound at the Olympia Farmers Market parking lot at approximately 10:30 a.m., which allowed us plenty of time to catch the Dash Shuttle to the legislative campus to make our first meeting with Senator Eide.

As was shared by all legislators’ staff much earlier in the month, the 17th was slated to be a floor day for

both the House and Senate and that more likely than not our meetings would require us to “pull” them from the floor to meet with our delegation outside chambers. That turned out to be true. Senator Eide’s Legislative Aide Peter Dodd met with us and held a brief meeting in a nearby conference room where he shared the Senator’s schedule, took notes of our issues for the Senator’s consideration, and then attempted to arrange for her to meet with our group; however, this was not successful owing to the timing of her then current caucus meeting. Peter was ever so gracious and took our delegation onto the Senate floor where many photos were snapped.

We left for our meeting with Peter and headed for Representative Freeman’s office located in the John L. O’Brien Building where we met up with Legislative Aide Martin Moore, who also informed us that Representative Freeman’s availability was hampered by floor activity but he would try to get Roger to meet with us outside chambers, which did happen and we had a short five-ten minute meeting with him, where we were able to have a brief but pointed discussion regarding our agenda. Representative Freeman needed to get back on the floor and we said our goodbyes.

We then went to Representative Kochmar’s office where we met with Legislative Aide Joe Atkinson who is a very pleasant young man. He stated that Ms. Kochmar was on the floor but that he would try to pull her off the floor to meet with us. That did happen. We were able to meet with Representative Kochmar and run through our agenda with her but she seemed, once again, very uninformed on issues and repeatedly took the stance that she hadn’t read the bills that we were referring to and as such couldn’t take a pro or con stance. It was a less than informative meeting in our group’s opinion. Some in our group were more verbal in their displeasure with her lack of involvement on the issues we had promulgated for discussion.

We subsequently left in search of a restaurant for lunch. Unfortunately, we later learned that Representative Freeman was trying to meet up with us later that day, although, by that time our group had splintered into different directions, some went shopping and some went to St. Martin’s University

the site of the crab feed. Chair Tim Burns had a 2:00 p.m. meeting with House Democratic Caucus personnel and returned to the legislative campus after lunch.

The LAC group again gathered at the Crab Feed where I had staked out four tables of eight for the evening. We were joined by Joe and Mary Greene, Jim and Madelyn Grayson, Bob and Lynn Ormsby, Paul Mallary, Beth Zubitis, Stacy May Knudtson, Mildred Ollee and Bob Dickinson. Anthony Murrietta and Leanne Guier also attended, though with their respective Unions.

The 30th LDD was again the largest group of the local party organizations to attend this event. We were all wearing our 30th LDD T-shirts proudly. Due to our 20 registrations, we were listed at the top of the roster of ***GRAND SPONSORS*** of the event. As a result of our turnout, we were able to send to two delegates (Jim Grayson and myself) to the private reception where our US Congressional Delegation and Governor Inslee were honored. This is just one more job well done with our members being involved and participating at all levels where Democrats meet!

It should be pointed out that the entire legislature was still in session and none of them were able to attend the Crab Feed this year. The next day, I found out that they were in session until 1:30 a.m.

Jaxon Ravens, the newly elected Chair of the State Party, was the Master of Ceremonies for the Crab Feed event and he very ably rose to the occasion and was very enthusiastic about the direction of the Democratic Party in Washington and the need to fight hard to retain the majority in the House and to recapture the Senate. He spoke about DINO’s (Democrats in Name Only) that are currently in the legislature and the impacts that has had in the Senate.

Virtually everyone from the US Congressional delegation (Patty Murray, Suzan DelBene, Rick Larsen, Derek Kilmer and Denny Heck) addressed the audience on the direction of the US Congress, some good things and some not so good. Governor Inslee spoke about the positive direction of the State of Washington and our humble but moving economic

recovery. King County Executive Dow Constantine urged us to elect more good Democrats.

Lastly, the crab was delectable, the salmon yummy, the remainder of the fare good, and the lively discussions around the tables impressive!

I was very happy to be there and participate. Thanks goes out to all who were there to make the 30th LDD the local party of the year once again!!

## State Committee Report

by Ginny Leach & Geoffery McAnallo, Delegates

There were no DNC reports as there have been no meetings since September. They will be meeting in DC and have reports at the June meeting.

Ed Cote reported on the Executive Committee. There is a major push by Debbie Wasserman Shultz against the assault on voter restrictions. The chair is leading a Red to Blue project. Two states, Arizona and Texas are targets. There are 400,000 Hispanics not registered to vote. We are moving in Hillary to run directions. We also need to stop having national conventions in right to work states. We also need to consider cities that can house everyone attendee.

The elections for a new state chair were held. The first round of voting was:

Jaxon Ravens 79  
Dana Laurent 39  
Jim Kainber 37  
Jay Clough 11

A second ballot was done between the two highest. The second ballot results: Jaxon Ravens 112, Dana Laurent 53. Jaxon Ravens is new State Democratic Party Chair.

David McDonald reported on the Rules Committee. There isn't a lot of business at this time. The Republicans are trying to push up their convention to May or June. They don't have a lot of votes to move it up that much. There is a strong move to reduce the number of delegates to the national convention. All DNC members and the new chair will meet in DC and have a report at the next

meeting.

Habib Habib presented the treasurer's report. The balance as of 12/31/2013 is \$176,702.99.

Alec Stephens reported on the Affirmative Action Committee. We need to reach out to various communities in our respective areas and encourage participation. It's important to invite people to be involved.

Valerie Brady-Rongey reported on the Eastern Washington Committee. They are using surveys to collect data in the area to see what is needed. They are honored to have the State Convention in June in Spokane.

Rob Dolin reported on the Technology Committee. Reviewing mapping and best practices for sharing. We all need to share practices and tips about what works. They are working on a web site.

Roger Erskine reported on the Election Committee. We need robust meetings with great ideas and discuss what will work and build a base. We need to find candidates, support candidates. May 12th through May 16th is filing week. The Primary election is August 5th and the General Election is November 4th. We cannot live with a Senate controlled by Republicans!!

Of the 5 resolutions presented from the 30th, only two passed; #659 and #656.

There is a proposed amendment to the State By-Laws which requires 85 yes votes of the State Committee. This would create an Advocacy Committee. This has been referred to the State Convention in June. The by-law information wasn't available at the meeting.

## Resolution

A resolution regarding comprehensive nuclear negotiations with Iran

WHEREAS the Joint Plan of Action (JPOA) negotiated with Iran by the United States and its partners rolls back Iran's nuclear program and increases inspections of Iran's nuclear facilities; and

WHEREAS the progress made in negotiating the JPOA lays the groundwork for a long-term deal to resolve concerns about Iran's nuclear program; and

WHEREAS 85% of Democrats polled by Americans United for Change support members of Congress who want to give the first-step agreement and further negotiations a chance; and

WHEREAS Director of National Intelligence, James Clapper, stated that "new sanctions now would undermine the prospects of a successful comprehensive nuclear agreement with Iran"; and

WHEREAS Iran's lead negotiator Javad Zarif stated that if sanctions were passed by Congress, "The entire deal is dead. We do not like to negotiate under duress. And if Congress adopts sanctions, it shows lack of seriousness and lack of a desire to achieve a resolution on the part of the United States"; and

WHEREAS disruptive actions by Congress could cause the US to bear the blame for the failure of negotiations and fracture the international diplomatic coalition; and

WHEREAS any counterproductive legislation that causes talks to falter makes military action against Iran far more likely, an outcome disfavored by the American public; and

WHEREAS according to the poll conducted by Americans United for Change, 68% of voters want Congress to avoid any action that could jeopardize negotiations for a long-term agreement with Iran; and

WHEREAS Congress will have ample time and

ability to respond if Iran reneges on its commitments;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the 30th Legislative District Democrats call on the Washington congressional delegation to oppose any new sanctions or other bills that micromanage the diplomatic process and threaten to jeopardize negotiations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we call on the Washington congressional delegation to speak out forcefully in favor of the diplomatic process to come to a long-term agreement with Iran, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the 30th LD Democrats forward this resolution to the Democratic Central Committees of King County, Pierce County and Washington State and urge their support of this resolution.

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR 2014?  
IF SO, THANK YOU – IF NOT, PLEASE DO!

**President’s Club**

Linda/Elbert Gage

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Jay/Peg Altman, Larry/Hideko Coghill, Art & Diana Fluharty, Rick Hoffman, Ginny Leach, Linnea Peterson, Sterling Smith, Jem Wear

**Governor's Club**

Roger/Karla Flygare, Carol/Gil Gregory, Al/Teya Hillerman, John/Karolyn Hughey, Mike/Mary Kun, Jodi Riker-Yap/Jerry Yap, Jacqueline Russo, Paul Schlossman

**Family Members**

Walt/Carolyn Brooks, Jerry/Linda Flynn, Jim/Madelyn Grayson, Bernie/Susan Knighton, Stacy Knudtson/Tyler Oliveira, Robert/Lynn Ormsby

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**MEETING CALENDAR**

Wed 03/05 30th District Democrats General Membership Meeting

1st Wed of each month, 7-9 PM, doors open 6:30 PM

WEA, 32032 Weyerhaeuser Way S., Federal Way

Wed 03/26 Exec Board Meeting. Open to all members of the 30th District

Democrats, where the members always have a voice.

# **Proposed Agenda for 2014 30<sup>th</sup> Legislative District Caucus**

1:00 pm – Registration

1:30 pm – Call to Order

(Sign-in tables close upon completion of credentials report.)

Pledge of Allegiance

Appointment of Temporary Secretary, Sergeant-at-Arms, Time Keeper, and  
Parliamentarian

Credentials Report

Adoption of Agenda and Rules

Election of Permanent Chair

Appointment of Permanent Secretary, Sergeant-at-Arms, Time Keeper, and  
Parliamentarian

Election of Delegates and Alternates to the State Convention

Adoption of Platform and Resolutions

Good of the Order

Adjournment

# 2014 30<sup>th</sup> Legislative District Caucus Proposed Rules

- 1.** The Legislative District Caucus shall be held on Sunday, March 9, 2014 commencing at 1:00 pm, at the Federal Way Library (34200 First Way S., Federal Way, WA 98003-Meeting Room 2).
- 2.** To vote at the Legislative District Caucus an individual must be a resident, registered voter in the 30<sup>th</sup> Legislative District of Washington and sign a registration sheet stating that s/he is a Democrat, and agrees to public display of her/his attendance at the meeting. Registered voters include all registered voters and any 17 year old who will be eligible to vote on November 4, 2014. Registered voters also include any individuals who complete a voter registration form while signing in to attend the Legislative District Caucus. Individuals who are not qualified to register to vote because of residence or citizenship shall be allowed to participate in the platform discussion, but may not vote on resolutions or for the election of delegates or alternates, nor may they be elected as delegates or alternates.
- 3.** There will be no registration fee for participants to the Legislative District Caucus. Payment of any fee shall not be a condition of participation or election.
- 4.** The Legislative District Chair or the Chair's designee shall serve as the Temporary Chair of the Legislative District Caucus.
- 5.** The Chair of the Credentials Committee shall present the report of the Credentials Committee which shall include:
  - A.** The total number of eligible voters in attendance at the Caucus at the time the report is given.
- 6.** The Chair of the Rules Committee shall present the report of the Rules Committee.
- 7.** Any voting member of the Caucus may nominate themselves or be nominated by another voting member for the position of Permanent Chair. Nominations, seconding speeches and speeches by the candidate on his or her own behalf shall not total more than three (3) minutes per nominee. A majority is required to elect. If no person has a majority, the candidate receiving the least votes is dropped and balloting shall be repeated using the remaining names. This procedure shall be repeated until a candidate receives a majority.
- 8.** The Permanent Chair shall appoint a Secretary, Sergeant-at-Arms, Time Keeper, and Parliamentarian.
- 9.** The Chair shall announce the allocation of State Convention delegates and alternates including the following information:
  - A.** The total number eligible to vote at the Caucus.
- 10.** The election of State Convention delegates and alternates:
  - A.** Each candidate for State Convention delegate or alternate must be a resident, registered voter in the Legislative District.
  - B.** Each candidate for State Convention delegate or alternate shall be nominated individually. No second is required. A candidate who is not present must signify in advance, in writing, individually that he/she will serve if elected and that he/she is a Democrat and is willing to be known as such. The letter of any absent candidate shall be read by the caucus chair and shall constitute a nomination, no second required. All other nominations shall be made by signing the nomination list at the registration



table. Each candidate shall have up to one minute (including the time spent by the sub-caucus chair reading an absent candidate's nomination letter) for speech on his/her behalf.

**C.** Voting shall be by written ballot and a ballot to be counted must have all potential positions filled, contain only the names of persons nominated, and have no duplications (this prevents a candidate for delegate from skewing the vote by only voting for themselves and leaving the other positions blank). A majority of those present and voting is required to elect. In case of a tie vote, the assignment of a delegate position shall be by lot.

**D.** State Convention alternates shall be selected from the same set of ballots used for the election of delegates. The candidate for delegate receiving the most votes after all delegate slots are filled shall become alternate number one, and the alternate receiving the next most votes shall be alternate number two, and so forth.

**E.** Each delegation elected shall be equally divided between women and men in both the delegate and alternate categories unless there are an insufficient number of nominees from one gender to fill available positions (if a legislative district can elect 10 delegates but 3 men and 7 women are running then the women can take the delegates spots that the men are unable to fill and the delegation will consist of 3 men and 7 women.)

**11.** At the discretion of the Chair, consideration of resolutions may commence without suspension of the rules.

**12.** The motion "to table" shall be out of order at all times.

**13.** A quorum shall consist of 30% of the number eligible to vote as shown on the credentials report, as most recently amended.

**14.** The Chair shall appoint a representative tally committee. All ballots shall be returned to the Chair and shall be retained by the Chair until the State Convention has adjourned.

**15.** The Unit Rule\* shall not be permitted at any time.

**16.** Proxy voting shall not be allowed.

**17.** All possible efforts shall be made to insure maximum participation of ethnic minorities, women, youth, persons over 65 years of age, lesbians and gays, Labor, persons with a high school education or less, disabled, and persons of economic disadvantage.

**18.** Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall prevail in other matters not specifically covered herein.

*\* The Unit Rule is a rule of procedure at a national political convention under which a state's entire vote must be cast for the candidate preferred by a majority of the state's delegates.*

*Allowing the unit rule at your caucus or convention would mean that all delegates would be chosen for one candidate. This would be in conflict with the current system which allows for proportional representation.*

# South King County Democrats Fourth Annual Spaghetti Dinner

IAM Hall  
9125 15th Pl South  
Seattle, WA 98108

## Join Us for:

- Spaghetti dinner buffet □
- Sauce-off competition with prizes for the best spaghetti sauce. □
- A no-host bar featuring beer and wine □
- Silent auction □
- Meet recently filed Democratic candidates running for office □

**Saturday, May 17, 2014**

Doors open: 5:00pm

Dinner: 5:30pm

**Tickets are \$25.00 advance, \$30.00 at the door.**

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<http://skcd.brownpapertickets.com/> or at numerous events throughout  
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