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General Membership Meeting: **May 4, 2016**
First Wednesday of each month, **7:00 to 9:00 P.M.**
Belmor Park Clubhouse, 2101 S 324th St, Federal Way

From The Chair

Tim Burns

May 6 Meeting

Prior to our May 6 meeting we will have soup and bread available starting at 6pm for a donation of only \$5.00. Come and sample the donated soups and mingle. Details are elsewhere in this newsletter.

LD Caucus Recap

The 30th LD caucus was held on Sunday, April 17 at Decatur High School in Federal Way. While there were significant challenges, including slow registration, rules issues, larger than anticipated attendance (standing room only), decreased seating, credentials issues and long hours, the caucus resulted in choosing the 24 delegates and 12 alternates who will represent the 30th LD at the Congressional District caucuses and the State Convention. The breakdown of delegates is:

King County

9th CD: Sanders 11 delegates, 6 alternates

Clinton 5 delegates, 2 alternates

8th CD: Sanders 5 delegates, 2 alternates

Clinton 2 delegates, 1 alternate

Pierce County

8th CD: Sanders 1 delegate/1 alternate

Gender equity was achieved in the selection of delegates and alternates.

Thanks to all participants for their indulgence and civility during the long day and especially thanks to the volunteers who performed their tasks with dignity, respect and, at times, restraint.

The caucuses, precinct and LD together, produced 27 new members and approximately 80 voter registrations, as well as enough donations to cover our expenses.

County Conventions

County Conventions will convene at 1pm on Sunday, May 1. In King County the venue is Hazen High School (1101 Hoquiam Ave. N., Renton) and Pierce County's venue is Pierce County College (9401 Farwest Dr. SW., Lakewood). The purpose of the county conventions is to debate and ratify the platform and resolutions which will be presented to the State Convention. No delegates will be chosen at the King County convention.

All are welcome to attend, but only the delegates chosen at the precinct caucuses and the alternates seated to replace absent delegates will have voting power. Parking is limited and carpooling is suggested.

Congressional District Caucuses

CD caucuses will be held on Saturday, May 21 and will select delegates to the National Convention. The 8th CD is allotted 3 female and 3 male delegates and the 9th CD will choose 3 male and 4 female delegates. Each congressional district will also choose an elector for the Electoral College (the actual vote for President).

Endorsements

At the April 6 meeting the membership voted to endorse our members (and PCOs) Mike Pellicciotti for election to 30th LD Representative, position 1 and Sharry Edwards for 30th LD Representative, position 2 in the 2016 election cycle. The endorsement committee is interviewing candidates and will be reporting their recommendations at our upcoming meetings.

2016 Election Cycle

A reminder that the filing period for candidates for election this year is May 16-20. This includes candidates for Precinct Committee Officer (PCO). Filing for King County is through King County Elections and for Pierce County through Pierce County Auditor. Filing for PCO is free and can be done on-line.

Membership Dues

Dues are subject to renewal in February of each year. We currently have 124 paid members this year. If you have not paid dues as yet, please contact our treasurer, Naoma Zanetti or our Membership Chair, Jodi Riker. We are now able to accept credit cards in person.

South King County Dinner

The 6th Annual South King County Democrats' Dinner and Auction is scheduled for Saturday, June 4 at the IAM 751 Hall in South Seattle. Again this year it will be a spaghetti dinner, sauce competition and auction. Each of the 5 LDs participating is requested to provide 5 crock pots of sauce, 5 items for the auction and 5 desserts. To volunteer one or more of these items, please contact Ginny Leach. Tickets will be sold in advance for \$25.00 per person and at the door for \$35.00 per person. A large number of candidates and elected officials are expected to attend. Dan Olmstead (Poverty Bay Café) will again provide the cash bar (beer and wine).

Endorsements Report

May 2016 Endorsements

Jodi Riker-Yap

The Endorsements Committee has interviewed the following over the two week time frame. We voted unanimously to recommend endorsement of all these candidates. We believe these candidates to be worthy of the 30th LD Dems Endorsement.

We bring to you the following submissions for Candidates for Judge in both King and Pierce Counties.

King Co. Superior Ct. #3: Laurel Gibson
King Co. Superior Ct. #14: Nicole Gaines-Phelps
King Co. Superior Ct. #26: David Keenan
King Co. Superior Ct. #33: Judge Rosen
King Co. Superior Ct. #43: John McHale
King Co. Superior Ct. #44: Eric S. Newman
King Co. Superior Ct. #46: Johanna Bender
King Co. Superior Ct. #52: Anthony Gipe
Pierce Co. Superior Ct. #5: Shelly K. Speir

Mark Your 2016 Calendars!

- May 4 (Wednesday)
 - 30th LD Monthly Meeting
- May 16-20 (Monday-Friday)
 - Candidate Filing Deadline
- May 21 (Saturday)
 - Congressional Dist. Caucuses
- June 1 (Wednesday)
 - 30th LD Monthly Meeting
- June 4 (Saturday)
 - South King County Dinner
- June 17-19 (Friday-Sunday)
 - State Convention

DEMOCRAT-FRIENDLY BUSINESSES

If you run or know of a Democrat-Friendly Business in the 30th District, contact Tim Burns with details so that we may promote that business here!

Poverty Bay Café 1108a S. 322nd Pl. Federal Way

Deli Smith 33626 9th Ave. S. Federal Way

Joe's Deli 1230 S. 336th St. Federal Way

No monetary considerations are received in exchange for these listings.

I-1433: Making A Difference

Gregory Baruso

I was delighted to learn that a tentative agreement had been reached with our area grocery workers and the big national chain grocery stores this week. United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW) Local's 21 and 367 and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 38 represent about 30,000 grocery store workers in the Puget Sound area of Washington State. I was happy for my son, Darian, who has been working for our local QFC for almost two years as a Courtesy Clerk because that means an increase in pay for even him - timely when you think that this fall he will be entering college. Even though he is considered part-time, he is a member of UFCW 367 and pays dues. I can remember him asking me about why he had to belong to the "Union" upon completing his job placement paperwork and I reminded him of the life that our family enjoys - without my Local and the strong Union affiliation we wouldn't be as fortunate to have what others struggle to have. He understands the importance of standing up for workplace rights and why Unions take a stand on important issues to ensure job security and healthcare. The new contract will protect the health plan, shore up pension funding, and most of all improve wages and working conditions for area grocery workers.

Grocery store workers have been most active in pushing for stronger contracts in negotiations, taking action to pass higher minimum wage and sick leave, and protecting their union jobs from expansion efforts from non-union grocers. They have also partnered with many community organizations that are committed to the betterment of our Puget Sound area. Organizations such as "Raise Up Washington" have been gathering signatures for I-1433, the higher statewide Minimum Wage and Paid Sick Leave initiative. This initiative would phase in a higher minimum wage to \$13.50 over four years and provide up to seven (7) days of Paid Sick Leave.

The signature campaign even received national recognition last month from both Democratic Presidential candidates Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders, both endorsing the proposal. This effort has become part of the Presidential conversation because workers across the United States have been

demanding a fair share of our growing national economy. Higher wages and paid time off equates to economic growth and with this growth comes thriving businesses. How many of us have had to take time off of work to take care of a loved one? Were you lucky enough to be paid for that time off? No one should be at risk to losing their pay and job to take care of a sick child or even exposing others to illness by coming to work sick in lieu of losing a day's pay.

Although paid sick leave is widely known to be used for taking care of you and a sick family member, seven days' accrual of paid sick leave can also be included for victims of domestic violence, or what is known as "safe time." Other emergencies can also be included in using the leave but domestic violence has been on the rise for a number of years and often victims have no way of shielding themselves and finding safe haven from domestic violence predators, often a spouse. If passed into law this would help a person in such need to at least lessen the hardship.

Take a stand! Raise Up Washington is a coalition of union, faith and community organizations that support I-1433. They are working to collect 260,000 signatures by the end of June to qualify the initiative for this fall's ballot. Help is needed to collect signatures, work at the office campaign headquarters, or you can even make a contribution. For more information go to: info@raiseupwa.com.

Living Liberally Federal Way

**Socialize with
fellow progressives**

**7 PM, Tue. May 10th
Billy McHale's Restaurant
1320 S. 324th St., Federal Way
(Formerly P.J. Pockets)**

Info: Pat A. @ (253) 941-0113

Our Members

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Ginny Leach

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Catherine Cox-Shaffer

Alan Dahl

David Daly

Bob Dickinson

Beth Doyle

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Daniel Felton

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Richard Gilbert

Jim & Madelyn Grayson

Max Hedgecock

Miriam Helgeland

Jennifer Huerta

John Janousek

Patricia Johnson

Peggy Maze Johnson

Christine Kim

Bernie & Susan Knighton

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David Matlick

Jean Matthew

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Keathe & Tom McCoskery

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David Musick

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