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OFFICIAL CALL Tuesday April 26, 2005 Meeting

The King County Democratic Central Committee will meet for their monthly business meeting:

Tuesday April 26, 2005—7:00 pm
Shoreline Senior Center
18560 1st Avenue NE
Shoreline

The agenda will include:

- Call to Order
- Flag Salute
- Acceptance of previous meeting minutes and meeting agenda
- Program: Energy Fair**
- Break
- Officer and Committee Reports
- New Business (including election for new 3rd Vice Chair)
- Old Business
- Good of the Order
- Adjourn

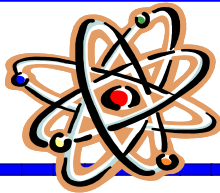
KING COUNTY DEMOCRATS' OFFICE MOVING TO RENTON

The King County Democrats are moving their office to the home office of the Chair Susan Sheary in Renton on Friday April 15, 2005. Unneeded items will be taken to the Spring Cleaning Sale at the Renton Carpenters Hall (see ad on page 2). The telephone number 206.622.9157 will be retained with a new cell phone number backup of 206.852.4823. The new official address is:

King County Democrats
Post Office Box 58337
Renton, Washington 98058

The website and e-mail addresses will be retained; however, the fax number will be 425.255.1634. Please update your records. Thank you.

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ENERGY FAIR

King County Democrats

Tuesday April 26, 2005

6:30 pm Social
7:00 pm Business Meeting

Shoreline Senior Center
18560 1st Avenue NE
Shoreline

featuring --

- Chris McCullough from US Rep. Inslee's Office
- State Rep. Maralyn Chase
- Larry Owens and the Shoreline Solar Energy Organization
- Traveling solar house

and much more



Contact Susan Sheary at 206.622.9157 for additional information.

King County Democrats Officers Meeting

The Officers of the King County Democrats will meet for their regular monthly meeting on:



Monday April 18, 2005—7:00
The Thompson Point of View
Restaurant (reservation made)
2308 East Union
Seattle, Washington

Agenda will be sent to all officers.

This is a public meeting.

Spring Cleaning



with the
King County
Democrats

Saturday April 16, 2005

10:00 am through 3:00 pm

Renton Carpenters Hall
231 Burnett Avenue North - Renton

(Doors will open at 8:00 am for donations)

DONATE YOUR HOUSEHOLD ITEMS
including furniture, appliances, computing equipment, CD's, videos

All proceeds will help support the
King County Democrats County Nominating Convention
on Tuesday June 28, 2005

Contact Susan Sheary, Chair (425.228.4729 or 206.300.3697)
or e-mail at suzie2004@comcast.net

Washington State Democrats—Spring Meeting in Pasco Report

The Washington State Democratic Central Committee met in Pasco on April 1-2, 2005, for its Spring Quarterly Meeting. Here are some of the highlights from the meeting:

2005 Nominating Process

As a result of recent court rulings, legislative action and the passage of Initiative 872, the party is planning to nominate its own primary candidates this year. In the event that the legislature does not take further action, the Rules Committee passed "Rules for the Selection of Candidates and Nominees for Public Office" that was adopted by the body. In short, PCOs will be called to represent their precincts in a nominating convention before July of this year. This process was adopted because of the short preparation time in 2005. For those of us in King County, it affects the following positions: King County Executive and the nine King County Council seats. The text of the Rules were sent to KCDCC Officers and King County—Legislative District Chairs, 4/2/2005.

As for 2006, the Rules committee will draft procedures to be considered and adopted again by the full State Committee. Although the timeline has not been finalized, it is very likely that the 2006 process to nominate our candidates will be by the 2006 Caucus system.

Financial Review/PDC Compliance

Because of the recent relapse of reporting certain financial disclosure documents to the FEC and PDC, the State Committee adopted a resolution that authorized Chair Paul Berendt to contract with an external compliance review officer to review reports for accuracy and the State Party Finance Committee be charged with reviewing the reports and notes from the external reviewer at each regularly scheduled meeting.

The text of this and all other resolutions can be found at the Washington State Democrats website, www.wademocrats.org

Eastern Washington Office

A resolution was passed calling for the hiring of a full-timer organizer to be working in eastern Washington. The hiring committee will consist of several eastern Washington party leaders.

2005/06 Calendar

The Washington State Democrats calendar of meetings for the 2005-2006 term is:

January 28-29, 2005	Olympia
April 1-2, 2005	Pasco
August/Sept. 2005	Tacoma
November 11-12, 2005	Ocean Shores
January 27-28, 2006	Ellensburg
June 10-11, 2006 (State Convention)	Yakima
September 29-30, 2006	Federal Way

Marie Yamamoto Named Chair of Affirmative Action Committee

Our own KCDCC Second Vice Chair, Marie Yamamoto, was named to Chair the State Party's Affirmative Action Committee. Congratulations Marie!

Feel free to contact us if you have any question, and we will do our best to answer. We are here to serve you.

KCDCC - State Committee Reps
Javier Valdez and Pat Taylor



The King County Democrat

The King County Democrat is published a minimum of 10 days before a general membership meeting pursuant to KCDCC By-laws. Copy is published in-house on a monthly basis, posted at website, www.kcdems.org, and sent via bulk-mail to all King County PCOs.

Eighth Congressional District Grassroots Strategy Session

Saturday April 16, 2005
9:00 am

Renton Technical College
Café
3000 NE 4th Street
Renton

All Democrats invited to attend

Sponsored by the
Washington State Democrats
Contact Jaxon Ravens
for additional information
206.583.0664

Congressman Adam Smith and the
Washington State Democrats
invite you to a

PROGRESSIVE STRATEGY SESSION

Featuring guest speaker
Simon Rosenberg,
President of the New Democrat
Network

Saturday April 23, 2005
12:00 pm—3:30 pm
Renton Carpenters Hall
231 Burnett Avenue North

To RSVP
Please contact Chelsea Waliser at
253.572.6125 or
Chelsea@electadamsmith.com
Ninth Congressional District
Grassroots Session

King County Democratic Central Committee Officers

<u>Elected Position</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Last Name</u>	<u>e-mail</u>
Chair	Susan	Sheary	suzie2004@comcast.net
First Vice-Chair	Rob	Dolin	robdolin@wuxx.com
Second Vice-Chair	Marie	Yamamoto	jam@drizzle.com
Third Vice-Chair *	open		
Fourth Vice-Chair	Gurine	Nordby	
State Committeeman	Javier	Valdez	airjav@msn.com
State Committeewoman	Pat	Taylor	pat.taylor@mindspring.com
Treasurer	Justin	Simmons	rehcana@yahoo.com

Appointments accepted at re-organization

12/4/2004

Recording Secretary	Angela	Henry	angelachenry@hotmail.com
Leg Action Comm	Tina	Shamseldin	tinashamseldin@comcast.net
Platform/By-laws	Joel	Ware	jw4@scn.org
Program Chair	Jean	Amos	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Juan	Martinez	
Parliamentarians/Attys	Paul	Schneiderman	
	Robert	Gaudet	
Independent Audit	Jenson	Hagen	

Candidate Recruitment Judith Baker Hine * election for Third Vice Chair

Endorsements Linnea Peterson at general meeting, 4/26/2005

ELECTIONS—TOWN HALL MEETINGS

The King County Elections Department and the League of Women Voters of Greater Seattle are hosting Election Town Hall meetings to discuss what happened in the 2004 Election and action steps for improvement:

Tuesday April 12, 2005—7:00 pm

Shoreline Conference Center—Mt. Rainier Room
18560 1st Avenue NE—Shoreline
<http://seattle.wa.lwv.org/forum2.asp?id=144>

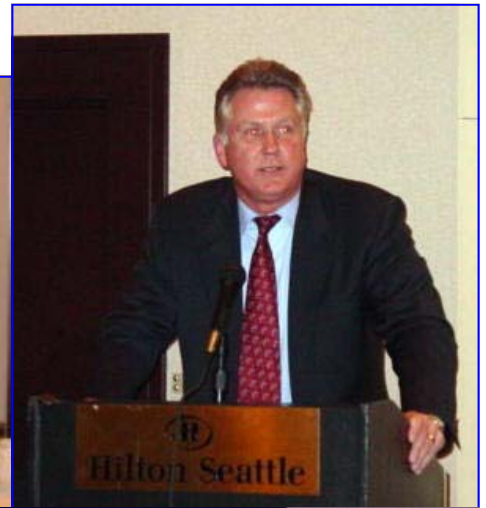
Thursday April 14, 2005—7:00 pm

Seattle First Baptist Church
1111 Harvard (Harvard and Seneca) - Seattle
<http://seattle.wa.lwv.org/forum2.asp?id=145>

To Join the King County Democrats, send contributions to:

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CELEBRATING UNITY



Honors Banquet - 2005

From left to right - Top row: The Honorable Governor Christine Gregoire and her husband Mike; the honorable King County Council Chair Larry Phillips. Second row: Former KCDCC Chair Greg Rodriguez; and former State Legislator Gene Lux of the 37th LD receiving the KCDCC 2005 Lifetime Achievement Award from Dick and Pat Taylor.

Thank you to all attendees, special guests, and contributors for a very good evening at the Hilton Hotel in Seattle, Friday March 18, 2005. Wendy Morgan and her committee conducted the Silent Auction with style and grace, and Ken Kadlec and his committee did a wonderful job at the registration desk.

The Hilton Hotel staff did a superb job in hosting this event — fine food and refreshment along with great service. A beautiful prime rib dinner was served and enjoyed by all.

The program was action-packed with speakers: WSDCC Chair Paul Berendt, King County Council Chair Larry Phillips, Congressman Jim McDermott, and the key note address by the honorable Governor of the State of Washington, Christine Gregoire. The award presentations were outstanding and the winners gave gracious acceptance speeches.

We will do this again in the late Fall.

Congratulations to Our 2004 Volunteers

Congratulations to all of our great volunteers and especially to the winners selected via the Honors Banquet online voting at our website:

Lifetime Achievement Award	Gene Lux
Celebrating Unity	Greg Rodriguez
Democrat of the Year—Female	Alice Woldt
Democrat of the Year—Male	Greg Rodriguez
Chair of the Year	Richard Kelley
Volunteer of the Year	Debbie Batchelor
Rising Star—Female	Lori Babcock
Rising Star—Male	Randy Gordon

King County Democratic Central Committee Meeting Minutes—Tuesday March 22, 2005

The meeting was called to order ten minutes early to introduce and thank all of the groups participating in the Grassroots Festival that started at 5:30 pm. This was followed by the flag salute and adoption of meeting agenda. Acceptance of previous meeting minutes made with correction of “poll observers” to “poll workers.”

Special Guest King Council Chair Larry Phillips addressed the group. Motion 1, move to endorse Larry Phillips halted. Motion 2 to suspend rules, passed 23 Yes, 4 No. Motion 3 to table until all speakers completed talks and discussion, passed 16 Yes, 9 No.

King Council Member Bob Ferguson talked to the group followed by talk by the **Honorable Mayor of Seattle Greg Nickels**.

The Main Program—Democracy for Washington—was presented by Executive Director Ray Minchew.

Review of tabled Motion for early endorsement of King County Council Chair Larry Phillips passed unanimously.

Officer and Committee Reports:

Chair.—Honors Banquet netted \$4,200. The Chair asked for help in securing energy issue speakers for the next meeting in Shoreline. She also discussed the upcoming “New Candidate Training Course—101”, scheduled for March 30, 2005.

First Vice Chair Report.—no report; absent.

Second Vice Chair Report.—no report; absent.

Third Vice Chair Report.—Budget performance report introduced and discussed.

Fourth Vice Chair Report.—Elections Report—April 2nd Poll Worker Training course was noted; scheduled meeting with King County Elections management for April 4; Special Election in May will be conducted by mail ballots.

Candidate Recruitment Committee.—Update on members.

Bylaws, Platform and Procedures.—brief committee meeting was held before general meeting; no platform update this year.

Endorsements Committee.—Lila Smith, member, said she hoped endorsements will not all be early ones.

Program Committee.—Planning for May in progress.

Legislative Action Committee.—Update on legislation in Olympia (Simple majority for school levies; mental health bill, safe sex health bill in Senate, emission standard bill passed the House, and health care bill passed the Senate) and in Washington, D.C. (Bankruptcy bill in the House — calls to Congressman Adam Smith are needed, and Fast Track — calls to Congressman Jay Inslee are needed).



State Committee Report.—Congressional District Strategy Sessions are set: March 29th—7th CD at Town Hall, Seattle; April 16th—8th CD at Renton Technical College, and April 23rd -9th CD at the Renton Carpenters Hall. State Committeeman Javier Valdez discussed the 2005 Nominating Convention rules that were to be considered at the upcoming State meeting in Pasco, April 1-2, 2005. Rules will be set for the Partisan County races in Snohomish and King Counties as well as LD Representative Vacancies in Southwest Washington.

New Business: Resolution from Chair Lila Smith of the 32nd District Democrats, concerning the WSDCC reporting violations suggesting an independent audit by new committee made up LD reps. Substitute motion was passed to send resolution to WSDCC Judicial Board to review the violations. (ed: in correspondence with WSDCC Attorney it was discovered that there is nothing in WSDCC by-laws and charter covering fiduciary responsibility of WSDCC Chair and the judicial board could not review. KCDCC Chair sent apology to KCDCC officers and LD Chairs and suggested that the 32nd move their resolution forward at the upcoming State meeting which they did. KCDCC Chair also wrote by-laws change to include fiduciary responsibility of the Chair, sent to Rules Committee Co-Chair and other members.)

Fifth LD Chair Kayne McGladrey introduced motion to favor HB1515 instead of HR4207; passed unanimously. Everyone was encouraged to write to their Olympia delegations. New Energy Future advocacy of the New Washington Coalition—Motion made to support a “New Energy Future” - passed unanimously and was sent to US Senator Patty Murray.

Old Business: The failed 31st District Democrats resolution from the February meeting (regarding Pam Roach’s actions) was discussed by Alex Stephens who will work with the Procedures committee to write another resolution. Motion was passed to approve closure of the Pioneer Square office of the KCDCC and move to the home office of the Chair on April 15th.

Good of the Order:

District Chairs Report indicated a multitude of activities: 5th LD—conducting a consolidated District/DFW meeting and working on local issues documents. The 32nd LD is hosting a forum with King County Council candidates, planning a picnic, and working on women’s caucus and a progressive caucus. The 34th LD held Issues Forum and planning for District canvassing. The 36th LD—canvassing District on social security issues and making new logo. The 37th LD is having a PCO dinner before their next regular meeting. The 41st LD indicated a Reichert watch group has been formed.

Katie Evans introduced a plan for a new website to help the boycotting of fox advertisers and asked for webmaster support.

Adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,
Angela Henry
Recording Secretary



**Senator Patty Murray's 10th Annual
GOLDEN TENNIS SHOE AWARDS**

Friday May 6, 2005—Noon
Registration opens at 11:30 am

Westin Hotel—Grand Ballroom—Seattle

Special Guest
Former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright

Suggested Donation—\$100

Join the KCDCC at their table — contact Susan Sheary, Table Captain
206.622.9157 or kingcountymocrats@msn.com

**DNC CHAIRMAN HOWARD DEAN
TO VISIT SEATTLE**

Democratic National Committee Chair, Howard Dean, will
keynote a DNC breakfast at the Columbia Tower:

Wednesday April 13, 2005—8:00 am
Columbia Tower Club
701 5th Avenue—76th Floor
Seattle

Call 202.488.4019 or e-mail at rosenblooms@dnc.org for
additional information. Former KCDCC Chair Greg Rodrigue
is a table captain for this event.

The new DNC Chair will also speak at the Rainier Institute
3rd Annual Health Care Conference:

Wednesday April 13, 2005—10:00 am
QWEST/Seahawks Exhibition Center—Seattle

Visit their website at <http://www.rainierinstitute.com>
for additional information.

**SEATTLE WELCOMES THE NEW DNC CHAIR
HOWARD DEAN**

**Precinct Committee Officers
(PCOs)**

We have 2,689 precincts in King County and with the
newly appointed/acting PCOs input by the Legislative
District Chairs now have 1313 filled positions (as of
4/10/2005). That's a percentage of 48.8% full. We
have a lot of vacancies to fill!

Think about becoming the neighborhood leader in
your area — become a Precinct Committee Officer in
your Legislative District. Become the go-to person in
your neighborhood for the latest information regarding
the Democratic Party — hold neighborhood meetings,
attend meetings and events. You will also be a voting
delegate at the upcoming 2005 King County—
Nominating Convention on June 28, 2005, location
TBD.

Access the KCDCC website at www.kcdems.org for a
good definition of a PCO and fill out the application
available online. There is also an online training
course available for viewing at the site or for using as
an online presentation in a classroom format.

And, District Chairs, when you receive and have the
applications approved, remember to send them to the
KCDCC office by mail, e-mail, or by FAX
(425.255.1634). Let's do the grassroots work now and
be ready for the upcoming elections with leaders in
every precinct.

New Candidate Training

The first King County Democrats— "New Candidate
Training—101" was held on March 30, 2005 at the
Renton Carpenters Hall. Thirty-five guests signed in.
Former KCDCC Chair Greg Rodriguez and 41st LD
State Committee Woman Sharon Mast conducted the
course with special guest, King County Council Mem-
ber Dwight Pelz.

Along with an online presentation, there was much
lively discussion and anticipation for the follow-on
course to be held in May. Each attendee was given a
packet that contained a CD (including online presenta-
tion in 3 formats, instructor script, flyers, letters, and
links), copy of presentation, PDC forms, PCO Hand
guide, League of Women Voters TRY brochures, and
the KCDCC brochure.

Updated CD's including the rough draft for the 201
course were given out at the Washington State De-
mocrats meeting in Pasco at the Chairs meeting on
April 2, 2005. The coursework may be presented in
other counties as dates/locations are identified. The
updated CD's will be available to all King County LD
Chairs at the next meeting of the KCDCC.

Thank you to Greg, Sharon and Dwight for a great
class.

1st LD

Chair: Jeff Wiley, 425.778.4808
 Meets 1st Thursday, 7:00 pm
 Northshore School Admin
 18335 Bothell Way NE, Bothell

5th LD

Chair: Kayne McGladrey, 425.894.5298
 Meets 3rd Wednesday, 7:00 pm
 King County Library Admin
 960 Newport Way NW, Issaquah

11th LD

Chair: Edward Prince, 206.246.8747
 Meets 3rd Tuesday, 7:00 pm
 Carpenters Hall
 231 Burnett North, Renton

30th LD

Chair: Larry Jackson, 253.661.2287
 Meets 1st Wednesday, 7:00 pm
 Federal Way Senior Center
 4016 South 352nd St, Federal Way

31st LD

Chair: Tim Pearson, 253.863.4543
 Meets 4th Wednesday, 7:00 pm
 Sumner Library
 1116 Fryer Avenue, Sumner

32nd LD

Chair: Lila Smith, 206.818.1195
 Meets: 2nd Wednesday, 7:00 pm
 American Legion Hall
 14521 17th Ave NE, Shoreline

33rd LD

Chair: Tara Jo Heinecke, 206.870.8819
 Meets 3rd Monday, 7:00 pm
 Normandy Park Congregational Church
 19247 1st Ave S, Normandy Park

34th LD

Chair: Ivan Weiss, 206.463.4647
 Meets 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 pm
 The Hall at Fauntleroy
 9131 California Ave SW, Seattle

36th LD

Chair: Peter House, 206784.7665
 Meets 3rd Thursday, 7:30 pm
 See website for locations

37th LD

Chair: Gwen Rench, 206.324.2786
 Meets: 2nd Monday, 7:30 pm
 Central Area Senior Center
 500 30th Ave S., Seattle

41st LD

Chair: Barbara Geller, 206.232.4970
 Meets 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 pm
 UFCW Hall
 12838 SE 40th, Factoria

43rd LD

Chair: Richard Kelley, 206.522.2735
 Meets 3rd Tuesday, 7:30 pm
 University Baptist Church
 NE 47th and 12th Ave NE, Seattle

45th LD

Chair: Ralph Gorin, 425.556.5789
 Meets 1st Wednesday, 7:00 pm
 United Methodist Church
 16540 NE 80th St, Redmond

46th LD

Chair: Scott White, 206.363.9522
 Meets 3rd Thursday, 7:30 pm
 Olympic View Elementary School
 425 N 95th St, Seattle

47th LD

Chair: Bryan Kesterson, 253.634.3515
 Meets 1st Wednesday, 7:00 pm
 Machinists' Hall
 A St SW at 2nd St SW, Auburn

48th LD

Chair: Benjamin Von Ullrich, 206.979.9073
 Meets 3rd Wednesday, 7:00 pm
 Stevenson Elementary School Library
 14220 NE 8th, Bellevue

KCDCC TREASURY

Period: March 1-31, 2005
 Submitted to PDC, April 6, 2005

Receipts

Previous Total Cash and In-Kind-Contributions		\$18,266.35
Cash Received	\$16,739.91	
In-Kind-Contributions	\$ 435.00	
Total Cash and In-Kind Contributions this period		\$17,174.91
Loan principal repayments	\$ -5,035.74	
(credit card use for Hotel payment)		
Net adjustments this period		\$ -5,035.74
Total		\$30,405.52

Expenditures

Previous Total Cash and In-Kind Expenditures		\$15,783.35
Total Cash Expenditures	\$15,546.34	
In-Kind Expenditures	\$ 435.00	
Total Cash and In-Kind Expenditures this period		\$15,981.34
Loan principal repayments	\$ -5,035.74	
Net adjustments this period		\$ -5,035.74
Total		\$26,728.95

Cash Summary

Cash on hand	\$ 3,676.57
Liabilities	\$ 0
Balance	\$ 3,676.57

OFFICIAL CALL

NOTICE: Open position of KCDCC Third Vice-Chair will be filled at meeting on 4/26/2005

*“There is nothing wrong with America that cannot be cured
with what is right in America.”*
President William Jefferson Clinton
Inaugural Address, January 20, 1993

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