

46th Legislative District Democrats

DEMOGRAM



July 2001

Notes From the Chair

by Janet Miller

There is a temptation this time of year to just relax and let your guard down. Summer should be a time for enjoying the good weather, going on vacation, watching the kids romp, digging in the garden, picking raspberries. But it is just these critical months of summer that Democratic Party activists need to sit up and pay attention. The date of our current Primary (Sept. 18) forces us to spend time during the summer investigating the candidates, learning about their positions and policies, making endorsements, and spreading the word to those who count on us for the information.

We have made efforts through the Spring to bring as many candidates to our district meetings as possible to begin this process. It continues this summer with the Mayoral Forum on July 24. Our Primary Endorsement Meeting is traditionally held in early August.

This year it will be on Aug. 2, the first Thursday after filing is closed. We make our endorsements quite early in the process. Most other districts and the county party hold their meetings later in the month. Being first on the docket is both exhilarating and challenging. Many campaigns are just pulling their teams together, some have been to one of our district meetings, others have not. For many campaigns the endorsements circuit is a complicated one. Some candidates or ballot measures don't understand what benefits our endorsement can bring to their campaign.

The endorsement of the 46th District Democrats can be one of the most valuable assets a campaign can get. With the hard work of our volunteers and Precinct Committee Officers, tens of thousands of sample ballots and campaign literature will be distributed door-to-door throughout the district. Over

the years we have seen just how invaluable this can be.



If you have a candidate or ballot issue you feel passionate about, please make plans to come to the meeting and speak up. Our endorsement process is an opportunity for our community to have a discussion about how our city and county will be run. We will be putting our name behind those who will carry our principles forward, those who will live up to our standards, and those who are committed to our values.

P.S. Our Endorsement Meeting will be preceded by a Fabulous Dessert Buffet. Please come early to rub elbows with the candidates and sample some of North Seattle's finest sweets. Last year both Deborah Senn and Maria Cantwell brought cakes. We will be watching to see which Mayoral Candidate can influence our taste buds!

Don't Miss the Mayoral Candidate Forum - July 24th!

by Scott White

The 46th District Democrats are hosting a **Mayoral Candidate Forum on Tuesday, July 24th at 7:00 p.m. at Roosevelt High School**. Please join us as we ask tough questions about affordable housing, community relations, transportation, and more. This is a very important election year for the citizens of Seattle, so don't miss this great opportunity to find out where the candidates stand on critical issues and learn what their vision is for our

great city!

We are expecting a good turnout for this special event. Because parking is limited at the school, I would encourage you to carpool or take the bus. Also, please plan to arrive well before 7:00 to allow time for parking and to get a good seat. Roosevelt High School is located at 1410 NE 66th (corner of NE 66th St. and 15th Ave.) For more information, please contact Scott White at 363-9522. We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, July 24th!



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THERE WILL BE NO MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN JULY & IN AUGUST!

THE ENDORSEMENT MEETING IS AUG. 2nd!

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Did You Miss It?

Here are some of the highlights from our June Membership Meeting.

by Kathy Bentson

- The meeting was preceded by a fun and useful PCO training session.
- Candidates **Ron Sims** (King County Council Executive) and **Jan Drago** (City Council) discussed some of their accomplishments and goals. **Carolyn Edmund's campaign manager** filled in for Carolyn who is a state legislator running for a position on the King County Council. Other guests included representatives who spoke on behalf of City Initiative 63 (water conservation) and State Initiative 773 (cigarette taxes).
- **Cynthia Sullivan** provided fascinating information about the King County Growth Management Plan, which is now dealing with the dilemma posed by very large churches that want to build in sparsely populated areas of the county.
- **Tim Trohimovich**, Planning Director for 1000 Friends of Washington, brought information about environmental and sprawl issues.
- We learned that **Janet Miller** and **Marie Yamamoto** were nominated for awards to be announced at the Magnuson Awards ceremony on June 23.
- In lieu of a July membership meeting, the 46th District Democrats will have a May-



★ Thank You, Gracias, Xexeni, Obrigado, Danke, Merci, ★

★ We cannot say Thank You enough to each of you who have made contributions to the 46th District this year. Through our membership drive and major donor gifts, we have a strong organization. Your contributions allow us to distribute our newsletter to members, community leaders, and elected officials; produce and distribute sample ballots; support efforts of our PCOs through training and resources; organize events such as our upcoming Mayoral Forum (see page one); and conduct monthly issue and membership meetings.

★ We want to extend a special thank you to the following members of the **4600 Club**. These kind and considerate individuals have contributed \$100 or more toward the efforts of our organization. Jan Ames, Maia and Guy Astley, Maury and Merlin Bell, Becky and Bob Benton, Leta Blackwell, Alden Buckles, Jim Fridley, Robert Gould, Sen. Ken Jacobsen, Charlie Kempf, Rep. Phyllis and Larry Kenney, Rep. Jim McIntire, Norma Miller and Eric Christianson, Anne Mini, Ron Roller, Mary Jean Ryan, Jeff Sconyers, Kathy and Bill Sellars, Herbert Smith, Cynthia Sullivan, John Webber, Scott White and Willard Wilcox.

★ These kind and considerate individuals are **Friends of the 46th** by making contributions of \$46 to the District.
★ Basil and Gretchen Anex, Bill and Marjie Barbee, Marjorie Baylor, Gail Chairello, Brenda Collier, Pat Emerson, Steve Felton and Peg Marckworth, Al Forget, Meg Goldman and Gary Prince, Susan Levy, David McDonald, Michael Miller, Janet Miller and Gerry Pollet, Kristin Mitchell, Ron Nims, Doris Rolander, Lila Smith, and Peter Steinbrueck.

★ Thank you. ★



Are We Lucky? Or What?

The Democrat of the Year went to **David McDonald**. David is a talented and seasoned party activist who has contributed to the Democrats at all levels. He is a long time PCO in our district, past 46th district chair, past King County chair, currently on the executive committee of the Washington State Democrats AND a member of the Democratic National Committee. From the grassroots to the national level he is truly committed to this party. In the most recent months (now years) he has been the lead legal strategist guiding the state party through the changes in the Primary Election process. We owe him an enormous debt of gratitude.

Another award presented at the

Maggies was for Rising Stars of the Year. And the awards went to... **Marco**

Lowe and Marie Yamamoto, two of the finest young Democratic activists to come along in a long time. **Marco** has been the Legislative Aide to King County Council Member Greg Nickels and is currently working on Greg's Mayoral campaign. He was a tireless campaigner on the Coordinated Campaign last year. His organizing skills and ideas for improving our party's election machine will serve us all in the decades to come. **Marie's** first introduction to the party was last year at her precinct caucus where she was elected to be a delegate to the Legislative Caucus, where she was elected to be a delegate to the State Convention, where she was elected to be a

delegate to the National Convention. Talk about a Rising Star! Since then she has taken a lead role in pulling together the state party's Asian Caucus and serves on their executive committee as well as our district's executive committee. Marie has just graduated from the Institute for a Democratic Future. We can look forward to many years of service from these two Rising Stars.



We think the Wash.

State Democrats were very wise in their choices this year for awards. They could not have chosen three finer individuals for these honors. We are lucky to have them all in our district and in our party! Congratulations David, Marco and Marie!

HOW MANY PCOs DOES IT TAKE TO MAKE THE 46th SO AWESOME? QUITE A FEW - THANKS TO ALL OF YOU!!

- Jan Ames-1961
- Dick Anderson-1966
- Basil Anex-2305
- Patty Arnold-2094
- Maia Krahl Astley-2308
- Lorraine Atwood-2323
- Brad Axel-2230
- James Bardeen-2248
- Belva Baxter-2375
- Sheila Belcher-2333
- Rebecca Benton-2127
- Leta Blackwell-2373
- Rosemary Blackmore-2249
- Bob Bliss-2276
- Beverly Blum-2252
- Noreen Boatsman-2334
- Rocky Boss-3250
- Elma Boyle-2098
- Steven Brown-1406
- Alden Buckles-2319
- Mark Buckley-2298
- Sandra Burga-2244
- Fred Carter-1275
- Gail Chiarello-1952
- Joe Chalverus-2344
- Helen Chatalas-2292
- Charlotte Clark-Mahoney-2260
- Raymond Cole-2285
- Corinne Davies-2328

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- Patricia Emerson-1953
- Sam Fahrner-1271
- Lynn Ferguson-1957
- Clifford Floberg-1964
- Albert Forget-2353
- Jim Fridley-2357
- Robert Gould-1958
- Virginia Gunby-2290
- Shirley Guterson-2251
- Yadviga Halsey-2239
- Ronald Hamrick-2134
- Laura Hardman-2796
- Tom Hartry-2131
- Carol Houk-1954
- Richard Iaria-2370
- Paul Inghram-2295
- Sen. Ken Jacobsen-2264
- Mary Ann Jacobson-2142
- Jennifer Johnson-1959
- Lancer Jones-2352
- Sheryl Kamph-2367
- Steven Keehnel-2278
- Charles Kempf-2133
- Rep. Phyllis Kenney-2268
- Aaron King-1281
- Jeff Kirtland-2096
- Gretchen Knappe-2255
- Jane Koenig-2261

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- Amy Lang-2296
- Deborah Lange-1310
- Ann Lanning-2274
- Richard Lee-2321
- Susan Levy-2280
- Judith Mafune-1279
- Tim Mahoney-2302
- Vicki Martinez-2369
- Yolanda Martinez-2337
- Rebecca Mattila-1312
- Hannah Mc Carty-1404
- David Mc Donald-2099
- Norma Miller-1282
- Janet Miller-2277
- Michael Miller-2293
- Anne Mini-2322
- Rene Murry-2130
- Dean Nielsen-2378
- Andrew Noble-2263
- Ronald Patula-2347
- Fances Pennell-2270
- Dee Ferguson-2283
- Eric Pino-2518
- Mike Purvis-2262
- Jack Ravens-2100
- Joan Reed-2345
- John Rhodes-1278
- Lisa Robbins-2237
- Linda Roberts-2371

- Pete Rogerson-2254
- Doris Rolander-2056
- Mary Jean Ryan-2259
- Mark Saporito-2314
- Winnie Sargent-2253
- Jeff Sconyers-1311
- Sarajane Siegfriedt-2372
- Fred Slater-2339
- Persis Sterling-1272
- Cleve Stockmeyer-1314
- Abdul Tarshi-2342
- Matt Taylor-1402
- Doris Tanning-2281
- Fred Utevsky-2358
- John Webber-2340
- Sarah Wheeler-2343
- Scott White-2361
- Willard Wilcox-2095
- John Wilkinson-2289
- Jeanette Williams-2246
- Brian Wilson-2351
- Lynnette Woerne-2320
- Claire Yurdin-2273

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- Bill Dershowitz-2237
- Craig Dupler-2247

Do You Know the Rules? The Endorsement Rules That is??

by Scott White

Proposed Rules for 46th District Democrats Endorsements

1. To be eligible to vote at the endorsement meeting you **must be either a Precinct Committee Officer (PCO), or a resident 46th District voter who has paid dues at least 21 days in advance of the endorsement meeting.** Voting by proxy is not allowed.
2. With exception of Presidential and national office candidates, in order for a candidate to be eligible for consideration, he/she must have returned a questionnaire to KCDCC.
3. **Endorsements require the vote of 2/3 of the members present and voting.** Abstentions are not considered votes, and will not be counted in determining the number of votes cast. Voting will be by written ballots issued to voting members before the vote. (A voice vote may be called in the case of a level 3 vote as described below.)
4. Only voting members or PCOs may make motions to endorse/nominate or to speak on behalf of an endorsement/nomination.
5. **CANDIDATES.**
 - a. For each race with candidates, the floor will be open to nominations/seconds for all eligible candidates.
 - b. For each motion to endorse, a nominating speech of no more than two minutes and a seconding speech of not more than one minute will be allowed. Members will hear all nominating/seconding speeches on behalf of all eligible candidates, for whom there is a motion to endorse and a second, or “No Endorsement” for that race before the vote.
 - c. All eligible candidates’ names and “No Endorsement” will appear on preprinted ballots. The body will vote only on nominated candidates or “No Endorsement”. An opportunity to vote “No Endorsement” will always be an option for every vote in a race with candidates.
6. **BALLOT ISSUES.**
 - a. Ballot issues include all initiatives, referenda, school levies, and other races without candidates. A Ballot issue may only be nominated for consideration in the form it would appear on the official Election Day ballot. Nominations for a specific endorsement (endorsing a yes or no vote) of a Ballot issue are not in order, as the endorsement will be determined by the voting.
 - b. For each motion to consider a Ballot issue, a speech of no more than two minutes and a second speech of not more than one minute will be allowed for each of the options “Vote Yes”, “Vote No”, and “No Endorsement”. Members will hear all speeches for that Ballot issue before the vote
 - c. For Ballot issues, the options of “Vote Yes”, “Vote No”, and “No Endorsement” will appear on preprinted ballots. Depending on the outcome of the First vote, “No Endorsement” may not be an option on the Second vote for a Ballot issue, however, a two thirds majority is still required to endorse with either a “Vote Yes” or “Vote No” vote.
7. **FIRST VOTE**
 - a. Candidates: Each eligible voter may vote for one nominated candidate or “No Endorsement”. If any candidate or “No Endorsement” receives 2/3, that vote passes. If neither a candidate or “No En-

dorsement" receive 2/3, we will move to a second vote. (In the case of a race with only two candidates, this step is eliminated and we begin with the Second vote.)

- b. Ballot issues: Each eligible voter will vote for "Vote Yes", "Vote No", or "No Endorsement". If any option receives 2/3, that vote passes. If no option receives 2/3, then we move to a second vote.

8. SECOND VOTE

a. Candidates:

- 1. If the top 2 vote getters in the first vote are 2 candidates, then in the second vote voters may vote for either of the two candidates or "No Endorsement." If either one of the candidates or "No Endorsement" receives 2/3, that vote passes. If not, move to the third vote.
- 2. If the top 2 vote getters in the first vote are a candidate and "No Endorsement," then in the second vote voters may vote for only the candidate or no endorsement. If the candidate does not receive 2/3 then no endorsement is made. If the candidate receives 2/3 he or she is endorsed.

- b. Ballot issues: Only the top 2 choices "Vote Yes", "Vote No", or "No Endorsement") receiving votes from the First vote shall be on the 2nd ballot. Depending on the outcome of the First vote, "No Endorsement" may not be an option on the Second vote for a Ballot issue. If either option receives 2/3, that vote passes. If not, then no endorsement is made.

9. THIRD VOTE

- a. Candidates: A motion for dual endorsement of the top two choices from the first ballot will be entertained. This must pass by 2/3. If not, no endorsement in the race is made.
- b. Ballot issues: Dual endorsements are not made for initiatives, referenda, and levies.

10. Endorsements made at the August endorsement meeting shall be for the Primary election, and endorsements made in September shall be for the general election in November.

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Your membership makes our efforts possible to elect Democrats and involve more Northeast Seattle voters. Thank you.



Calendar of Events

JULY

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- TUESDAY, JULY 24
- MONDAY, JULY 30

AUGUST

- Thursday, August 2
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NO MEMBERSHIP MEETING!!

Mayoral Candidate Forum

Roosevelt High School at 7:00 p.m.

The King County Young Democrats' Third Annual Candidate Forum

University Heights Community Center @ 7:00
5031 University Way NE - Contact Angela for
more information at 206-622-9157 or e-mail
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Primary Endorsement Meeting and Dessert

Buffet

7:00 P.M. - Olympic View Church

NO MEMBERSHIP MEETING!!

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