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January 2018

General Meeting

Thursday, January 18th
Seattle Mennonite Church

Auditorium

3120 NE 125th Street

Seattle, WA 98125

Sign In:

6:30pm

Meeting:

7:00pm

DEMOGRAM



◀ Message from the Vice-Chair ▶



Hello, Fellow 46ers!

For an off year, 2017 was a busy and challenging year for our political system and what feels like our democracy overall. Yet with every challenge, Democrats stepped up to the plate to do amazing things. This year wasn't just about a highly unqualified individual in the Oval Office, as we won back a majority in the Washington State Senate after years of conservative control, saw the first openly trans state legislator elected in Virginia, and supported fundraising and organizing efforts to pick up a U.S. Senate seat in ruby red Alabama! If you thought last year was fun, we can't wait to let you know what's in store for 2018!

Here's what we know for sure...in the state of Washington, we have two competitive congressional elections that could decide control of the US House of Representatives and return the Speaker's gavel to a Democrat. In Eastern WA, Lisa Brown is running to replace Cathy McMorris Rogers, a conservative who has spent too much time in House GOP leadership. (*Lisa will be speaking in Shoreline on 2/4 – see page 12 for details.*) Straddling the mountains is the 8th CD where we are hoping to continue Republican Dino Rossi's losing streak with a handful of amazing Democratic candidates. On the state level, LDs 5, 30, & 47 will host competitive elections that could help us widen our majorities in the state legislature! We also can't forget the three seats on the State Supreme Court we need to defend!

On the grassroots level, PCOs are up for re-election this year! Yes, it feels like we just ran for PCO, but democracy takes constant maintenance! It's crucial to run for these positions because these PCOs will be the people making crucial decisions during the 2020 Presidential Election cycle. Filing week is Monday, May 14 through Friday, May 18, 2018. Our goal is to have 100% of the 46th LD precincts covered by a PCO! There will be updates and reminders in the coming months. See details on this on page 9 for more information.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all at our General Meeting this week, Thursday, January 18, 2018 at the Seattle Mennonite Church Auditorium. We'll be discussing the upcoming Legislative District and county caucuses, what's ahead for this year and a great program on redistricting! Please be sure to join us to kick-off the New Year!

Happy 2018!

Andrew Everett

Vice Chair, 46th LD

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If you are interested in joining a committee,
please contact your Committee Chair.

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Agenda for January 18th, 2018

Sign in and Mingling — 6:30 PM Meeting Starts — 7:00 PM

AGENDA

1. Call to Order (7:00pm)
2. Flag Salute
3. Approval of Agenda and November Minutes
4. PCO Appointments
5. Good of the Order (*we are trying something new—putting GotO it in the middle*)
6. Consideration of Resolution (*see page 10*)
7. **Program: Redistricting**
8. Other Officer and Committee Reports as needed
9. Adjourn to executive session

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We will be adjourning the public portion of our meeting, and excusing our visitors and guests at this time. Only PCOs and members in good standing will be invited to stay for the executive session briefing on the Glen Morgan / AG / PDC matter and related strategies.

10. Executive Session

11. Adjourn executive session



The 46th LD Democrats Environment & Climate Caucus January Meeting

The 46th LD Democrats Environment & Climate Caucus will meet before the General Membership meeting from 5:30 to 6:30 on January 18th. We meet in the Mennonite Church courtyard meeting room. Contact Anne (anneudaloy@gmail.com) for more details or directions! This month we'll be finalizing plans for our February General Membership meeting program and reviewing upcoming state legislation.

46th Legislative District

January 18th Program and Agenda Highlights

Are you interested in serving as the 46th District's representative on the state party's Rules, Platform, or Credentials Committees?

Per the Washington State Democratic Party caucus and convention rules, we will be holding an election for the representatives to the State Rules, Platform and Credentials Committees at the January 18th Meeting.

Please be aware that these positions require attendance at local committee meetings throughout February and March, attendance at the LD Caucus in March, as well as state committee meetings held in various locations around the state, including some in Eastern Washington in advance of the state convention, primarily in April and May. Finally, these positions require attendance at the State Convention, the weekend of June 15-17, 2018.

These positions also require specialized knowledge and experience in the topic areas or a willingness to spend substantial time learning on an extremely tight curve. If you wish to shadow our representatives to these committees, to begin preparation to serve in the 2020 Presidential cycle, that is also an available opportunity.

As these are specialized positions, the executive board and the chair will be recommending a list of candidates for the membership's consideration on Thursday, although any member in good standing can run —if you wish to be considered for the list, please email Julie Anne Kempf at chair@46dems.org, before noon on Thursday, the 18th.

Report from the DNC Unity Commission

We will spend a portion of the meeting with a brief review of the Unity Commission Report, and providing links to view the commission report on the web for your own reading.

PROGRAM: Gerry's Salamander: Fair Apportionment and Representation

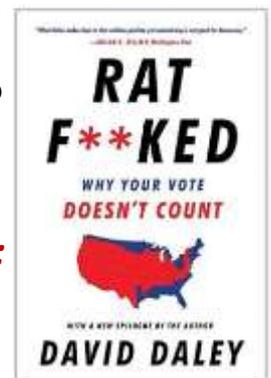
What is Apportionment? What is Redistricting? What is Gerrymandering? What is packing and cracking? What is the Washington Fair Voting Act, really? Our PROGRAM answers these questions and more.

Every ten years, the US census performs the 10-year count of Americans, and the year after every count, the redistricting, for better or worse, ensues. Good districting provides fairer elections and a better chance at equitable representation. Bad districting creates a system where people are ill-represented, and bad policy can prevail. This is an issue that continues to impact state and national elections. The Supreme Court has recently held oral arguments on this very subject and the case they are hearing may turn out to be the most important case in this year's Supreme Court agenda.

More interesting reading:

David Daley's book examines the legacy of the REDMAP Initiative

"Ratf**ked" (https://www.amazon.com/Ratf-ked-Your-Doesnt-Count/dp/1631493213/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1516073511&sr=8-1&keywords=ratfcked)



46th Legislative District

Upcoming Monthly Meeting Programs

Invite your friends, neighbors, & family!

- **Thursday, February 15th — Climate Change- What We Can Do!**

The **46th LD Democrats Environment & Climate Caucus** is pleased to announce that the February General Membership meeting program will include a panel of local speakers who will be moderated by our own Jesse Piedfort, currently Chapter Director of the Sierra Club of Washington! Speakers will include Ken Lans (Physicians for Social Responsibility), Jamie Margolin (Legislative Youth Advisory Council; Plaintiff at Our Children’s Trust, Plant for The Planet Community Organizer, The Youth March CAN founder, and more!). The focus of our discussion will be Climate Change - What We Can Do! The program will include a panel discussion and responses to audience questions. Look for more details in the next Demogram!

⇒ **Location: Seattle Mennonite Church Auditorium: 3120 NE 125th Street, Seattle, WA 98125**

⇒ Doors Open: 6:30 pm **Meeting Begins: 7:00 pm**

- **Saturday, March 24th, LD Caucus with Brief LD District Business Meeting**

Hear amazing Democratic speakers, participate in approving the platform, and meet hundreds of like-minded Democrats from all over the district! Don’t miss this once every two years’ event!

⇒ **Location: Ingraham High School, 1819 N 135th St, Seattle, WA 98133**

⇒ Doors open: 9:00am **Caucus Begins: 10:00 am**

- **April Meeting — New day and date! Watch this space for details!**

⇒ **Location: Seattle Mennonite Church Auditorium: 3120 NE 125th Street, Seattle, WA 98125**

⇒ Doors Open: 6:30 pm **Meeting Begins: 7:00 pm**

- **Sunday, April 22, King County Democratic Party Convention**

⇒ **Location: TBA**

⇒ Doors open: 9:00am **Convention Begins: 1:00 pm**



46th Legislative District Announcements



Message from the Membership Chair

Sometime in early October 2016, I had the misfortune to read an online essay entitled: "The Flight 93 Election" written by an anonymous conservative intellectual** for the Claremont Review of Books. I remember the title and first line deeply disturbed me: "2016 is the Flight 93 election: charge the cockpit or you die. You may die anyway. You or the leader of your party may make it into the cockpit and not know how to fly or land the plane. There are no guarantees."

Published in the first week of September, only 9 weeks from election day, the message was clear. Conservatives had to unite behind Trump or America was going to be destroyed by liberals. The author put conservatives in the role of the heroes who charged the cockpit in a doomed effort to save Flight 93. And liberals are literally put into the role of terrorists bent on destroying Western civilization. This was an essay arguing two things: 1) Hillary was a liberal who will destroy white, Christian America and 2) Trump *might* be nuts, but is better than the alternative. It was the embodiment of the old adage: "Democrats fall in love; Republicans fall in line."

We know how the election turned out 9 weeks later. We've had a year to observe what the Republican suicide pact has wrought. Republicans fell in line and voted for the guy who seemed completely unfit throughout the entire campaign. Turns out, *YES* he is actually unfit. But calling 45* unfit doesn't really capture the intentional damage being inflicted on America right now.

- * His unrelenting attacks on rule of law in a wild struggle to clear himself of charges of corruption and collusion that threaten him, and he is leading his willing party into an authoritarianism completely at odds with our founding documents.
- * His attacks on our immigrant and marginalized neighbors and colleagues seeks to narrowly define down America by ignoring the words cast on the Statue of Liberty.
- * His policy ignorance and laziness has handed over the administration of the country to a cadre of the most destructive, hard-right hacks to lead every federal agency.

Which leads us into 2018 and our chance to fight back. The begins not at the ballot box in November, but in a New Year's resolution each of us can make, to work starting now. Are you willing to stand with us and be involved in the 46th District? Are you willing to fight with us to make a lasting change that can right the course of our nation?

I look forward to working with you in the coming fight,
Marty Ross
PCO LFP 46-2439

** possible oxymoron



46th Legislative District Announcements



Volunteers Needed for the Platform Committee

- Are you an issues nerd?
- New to the 46th Legislative District?
- Focused on the big issues?
- Want to influence the King County and State Platforms?
- Interested in an intense, but short-term commitment?

We revise/write new 46th LD, King County and State Platforms in even-numbered years. Here's a link to our [2016 46th Platform](#). Note that the last pages are platforms for Seattle, Lake Forest Park and Kenmore.

We're recruiting volunteers to join the 46th District Platform Committee beginning Sunday, January 28th, 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for six consecutive Sunday evenings. **We will complete our work March 4th**, in time for the 46th LD to vote on our platform at our March 24th LD Caucus.

Meeting location will be announced. Please RSVP to Platform & Resolutions Chair Sarajane Siegfriedt Sarajane3h@comcast.net. Questions? 206-440-5829.

Please join us!

-Sarajane Siegfiedt
46th LD Platform & Resolutions Chair



Precinct Committee Officers



IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PCOS!

All PCOs who would like to maintain their position for the 2019-2020 term must file for re-election. This is applicable for all elected AND appointed PCOs. **Filing week is May 14th - May 18th, 2018**. We will continue to keep you informed as the new 2018 information is released. If you are not planning on running for re-election, please contact Anna at pco-coordinator@46dems.org or call her at 206-201-1714 so we can work together to field another candidate to fill your position.



HELP US RECRUIT NEW PCOS!

The District is not able to appoint new PCOs between Primary Day, August 7th and December 1st, when new and returning PCOs officially take office. That means if we are going to bring in new PCOs to help us reach our goals in 2018 we need to double our efforts now! Do you have a friend or neighbor looking for a way to get involved? Give them an application! Applications are available here: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BwEnE7HXETnFMF82UTd0TnVGVIU/view>

PCOs: Do you want to help with the LD Caucus on Saturday, March 24th?

We have assignments for you! Please let Anna Borriss know at pco-coordinator@46dems.org or call her at 206-201-1714 so we can plug you in to the Caucus PCO work team!

Resolution

OPPOSITION TO THE TACOMA LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS FACILITY

Whereas Puget Sound Energy (PSE), a for-profit company owned by foreign investor Macquarie Group (Australia), has proposed an 18-story liquefied natural gas facility (LNG) at the Port of Tacoma for the purpose of producing, storing and distributing liquefied natural gas; and

Whereas PSE has illegally begun construction despite lacking key permits, an inadequate EIS and in breach of the existing Treaty with the Puyallup Tribe, a Sovereign Nation; and

Whereas the Puyallup Tribe was not meaningfully consulted in the permitting process, despite the LNG facility's significant threat to Tribal fishing rights and overwhelming public opposition from Puyallup Tribal and local community members; and

Whereas the Washington State Democratic Party Platform calls for "immediate aggressive action to minimize climate change, as global climate change is the foremost threat to survival of Earth as we know it," and Governor Inslee has affirmed his commitment to supporting the Paris Climate Accords; and

Whereas natural gas is now recognized as a powerful contributor to climate change and overwhelmingly, peer-reviewed studies have found that emissions from fracking and leaks along the supply chain virtually eliminate any emissions-reducing impacts of gas usage; and

Whereas the LNG facility would require a steady supply of fracked gas from offsite wells, exposing communities living near those wells to deadly toxins and carcinogens used in the fracking process and permanently polluting local waters;

Whereas this facility is located in the Cascadian fault zone, in an area at high risk for earthquakes and tsunamis, and in an area that will be regularly flooded by 2050, posing an extreme and unacceptable hazard to local residents; and

Whereas this facility is sited on and near multiple Superfund sites, exposing the thousands of people within a 3-mile radius of the facility to toxins and carcinogens during construction and operation, leading to increased risk of cancer, neurological disorders, birth defects, respiratory issues and other chronic health issues; and

Whereas the review process for the LNG facility has been marked by conflict of interests and huge failures to quantify and mitigate the project's environmental and climate impacts;

Therefore, be it resolved that we firmly oppose construction of PSE's LNG facility, and urge the Port of Tacoma, the Governor, and the State of Washington to reject it forthwith; and

Be it further resolved that copies of this resolution be sent to the Governor, and to our Legislative District Representatives.

Previously adopted by the 43rd District Democrats, Submitted to the 46th District by Hunter Brown

46th Legislative Update— House Bill 2390 Regulating Opioid Medications At Educational Institutions



Above: Corina Pfeil, 46th LD Board Member and Legislative Action Committee Chair, with Representative Gerry Pollet (D-46th) in Olympia to introduce House Bill 2390.

House Bill 2390: This bill will provides a Narcan response in K-12 schools & higher education sites to help save the lives of student youth and young adults suffering from an opioid overdose; where every moment counts when waiting for emergency responders to arrive to provide the lifesaving opioid reversal response of Narcan or Naloxone treatment.

Copy of the bill is below:

<http://app.leg.wa.gov/billsummary?BillNumber=2390&Year=2018>

A special thank you to early supporters of this bill: Senator David Frockt and Senator Guy Palumbo, and Representative Gerry Pollet, Representative Javier Valdez, Representative Nicole Macri and Representative Derek Stanford.

EVENTS TO ACTIVATE AND ENGAGE!

Seattle Women's March 2018



- ◇ **When:** Saturday, January 20th, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm
- ◇ **Location:** Cal Anderson Park
- ◇ **Description:**

Grab your hats for a day of resistance and collective empowerment. Why are we marching? To engage and empower all people to support women's rights, racial equity, human rights, civil rights, disability rights, LGBTQIA rights, workers' rights, immigrant rights, reproductive rights, Indigenous people's rights and social and environmental justice. Like last year, this will be an all-inclusive, peaceful and family-friendly event.

Womxn Act on Seattle



- ◇ **When:** Sunday, January 21, 9:00 am to 8:00 pm
- ◇ **Location:** To learn more about the event, including schedule and locations, go here: <https://goo.gl/bMUxNA>. We will be constantly updating this webpage in the coming weeks.
- ◇ **Description:**

Seattle Womxn Marching Forward is planning a CITYWIDE day of training, support, sharing, and action with your neighbors, nonprofit organizations, marginalized folks, grassroots and social justice groups in Seattle. This year, we will honor the anniversary of the worldwide Women's Marches, we envision a day of action and community building.

Democracy Lobby Day

- ◇ **When:** Wednesday, January 24, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
- ◇ **Location:** Capitol Campus, Olympia, WA 98501
- ◇ **Description:**

Join the League of Women Voters of WA and Fix Democracy First in Olympia, WA for Democracy Lobby Day! We will lobby our legislators on various pro-democracy bills that improve election access, voting rights, campaign finance & legislative ethics.

North Seattle Progressives:

- ◇ **What:** **Lisa Brown, Democratic candidate for WA 5th Congressional District** (Spokane)
- ◇ **When:** Sunday, February 4, 1:30 - 3:30 pm
- ◇ **Location:** Shoreline Senior Center, 18560 1st Ave N, Shoreline WA 98155
- ◇ **Description:** Lisa will discuss her plans and priorities - discussion to include how to best support her candidacy and her campaign.

D5 Community Network

- ◇ **What:** Q&A session with District 5 City Councilmember Debora Juarez
- ◇ **When:** Tuesday, February 13, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
- ◇ **Location:** Seattle Mennonite Church in [Lake City, 3120 NE 125th St.](#), Parking behind the building (*same location as our monthly meetings!*)

**46th District Democrats Membership Meeting MINUTES
NOVEMBER 16, 2017 7:00 PM EAGLES AERIE**

**MEETING CALLED BY Julie Anne Kempf, Chair
NOTE-TAKER - Leah Ross**

Agenda topics

CALL TO ORDER CHAIR, JULIE ANNE KEMPF DISCUSSION HIGHLIGHTS

Call to order at 7:03 PM. Agenda approved.

CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS CHANGE – No Meetings July and December

CHAIR, JULIE ANNE KEMPF

DISCUSSION HIGHLIGHTS: Bylaws currently require us to meet once a month. The changes would allow us to not have a meeting in July and December, which in prior years has been replaced by either a picnic or holiday party for members. A motion carried to add the language in bold underlined italics to the bylaws:

ARTICLE 4 Section 4.2: Regular Meetings The 46th District Democrats shall meet at the call of the Chair at least once per month, except in July and December, as noted below. The Chair may change or cancel the date and place for a particular meeting, provided that all members are properly notified.

- a. The district is not required to hold a July meeting in any year in which a district-wide picnic or other event to which the entire membership is invited is held within the month of July.
- b. The district is not required to meet in the month of December of any year. If there is pressing district business, a monthly meeting may be called during December, at the discretion of the Chair.

PCO AND WALK CAPTAIN APPRECIATION, PCO COMMITTEE CHAIR, ANNA BORRIS DISCUSSION HIGHLIGHTS

Over 30 Nathan Hale students walked over 1,000 doors.

Motion to appoint 3 new PCOs carried: Julia Murray, Constance Atteridge, Evelyn Jarosz.

REPORT ON I-940 DE-ESCALATE WASHINGTON

DISCUSSION HIGHLIGHTS I-940 needs about 100k more signatures. They would like to get to 340k by the end of the year to account for errors or duplicate signatures.

REPORT ON INJUSTICE AT TACOMA ICE, VICE CHAIR, ANDREW EVERETT DISCUSSION HIGHLIGHTS

Request to sign a petition in support the UW student detained in September, asking that he be released.

Motion in support of Justice for Bangally Fatty carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:27 PM. POST -ELECTION PANEL FOLLOWED.



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