



The 11th District Journal



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“ Were we to characterize a republic, we should say it was a state in which power, both theoretically and practically, is derived from the nation, with a constant responsibility of the agents of the public to the people—a responsibility that is neither to be evaded nor denied. That such a system is better on a large than on a small scale, though contrary to brilliant theories which have been written to uphold different institutions, must be evident on the smallest reflection, since the danger of all popular governments is from popular mistakes; and a people of diversified interests and extended territorial possessions, are much less likely to be the subjects of sinister passions than the inhabitants of a single town or country. If to this definition we should add, as an infallible test of the genus, that a true republic is a government of which all others are jealous and vituperative, on the instinct of self-preservation, we believe there would be no mistaking the class.” James Fenimore Cooper The Bravo Preface

11th LD Democratic Organization Chair

Susan Kruller

Wow! What a month! Whew! All the hard work we put in doorbelling, walking the neighborhoods and helping to Get Out The Vote is behind us and the results are our big payoff. Amazingly, this is just the warm-up for what we need to achieve next year! But who says we can't have a lot of fun doing this? Read on...

“What’s Happening In The Community?” event November 20

Our next General Membership Meeting is going to be a HUGE informal, informative and fun party. We’re making a concerted effort to engage communities traditionally not involved the political process - so those communities can assert a more powerful voice for the needs of their communities. We’re also connecting with other organizations you should know about - that are really making a difference in the district.

Thanks to a lot of help from our legislators, things are really rolling. You’ll get to talk with your elected officials (local, county and state), great community organization representatives from within our district and a lot of new people from all sorts of neighborhoods with all kinds of interests. We’ve also got some groups who have generously offered to share traditional dance performances. We’re talking fun!

The idea is to celebrate our district’s rich and diverse communities - and just take a little time to appreciate how many values we have in common. The 11th Legislative District Democrats will provide food, but feel free to bring something representative of your culture or community - potluck style - if you feel so moved. Everyone can participate!

This will be an informal event. Community and organization leaders will be introduced. We’ll let them briefly share about their organizations or activities - and other information they feel is important for us to know about in our community. We’ll make sure there's plenty of time for us to talk and network informally with each other. We’ll provide table space for organizational literature. If you live here, you should make this event!

The Democratic Party is truly the party of the people, but democracy begins with each of us contributing our voice to build one big voice for our collective good. I look forward to seeing you, and anyone you invite, on Nov. 20th – Renton Carpenters Hall 7-9 p.m.

2008 Caucus Update

We have reserved all the precinct caucus locations for next February 9. Preparations for the Legislative District caucus next April are also in the works. In a meeting November 2, the Caucus Committee fine-tuned the list of our conveners for each precinct caucus site. We’re now filling support positions. All members are welcome to sign up, get trained and be a part of this significant grassroots Party process. Feel free to contact our Caucus Chair George Summers if you have questions about how we run a caucus or want to get involved.

Upcoming Programs

Be sure to reserve the date of Friday evening, December 14 on your calendar for our annual Holiday Party. We’ll be taking sign-ups and selling tickets for this event. This is always a great time to celebrate our successes for the year and to look forward to the year ahead!

We want YOU to get the MOST from our activities! See you at the next meeting!

GO DEMS!

Susan Kruller - Chair

11th Legislative District Democratic Organization

**Welcome to the
11th Legislative Democratic Organization**

**You are Invited to attend the Monthly
Meetings and engage in democracy in action!**

**Your dues enable you to receive the district
newsletter, help us defer our meeting
expenses, and support our efforts on behalf
of Democratic candidates.**

**We provide or participate actively in fun and
informative opportunities to reach out to
Democrats and other voters
in the 11th District.**

**Your volunteer efforts will further our goal
of active members in all of the
11th District precincts.**

We welcome you!

The newsletter is also available online in PDF format at the [11th LD website](#) and via email. The digital format is in color with active links. You can change the text size to fit your preference.

There are some great new features at the 11th LD web site. Join the Discussion Group and be heard by the entire membership. You will find it at <http://www.11thliddems.org>

Some members of the 11th LD Dems are receiving the monthly newsletter via email as a PDF file. If you would like to also receive the electronic version, in color with active links, send me a [email message](#) with: Newsletter in the subject and you will be added to the emailing list. james.flynn@comcast.net

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11th Legislative District Democratic Organization

7:00 p.m. Call to Order Flag Salute

Approval of Previous Meeting -MSA ; Approval of Agenda - MSA

Announcements: Bathrooms under renovation; Hamburgers, Brats and refreshments at break \$5 donation requested; Emily resigned Parliamentarian Position, 11th Dist Dem Org grateful for her participation; New Parliamentarian Brendan Donckers; Two Raffles Regular and Special Raffle for Hillary Clinton Silver Level Seats; Joe Wilson and Valery Plame defense fund; sign up for Christmas party logistics support scheduled for Friday December 14 at Carpenters hall.

Introductions: KC Chair Susan Sheary announced **Honors Banquet** Sunday Oct 28th Honor Governor Gregoire, Will be attended by many prominent democrats including J McDermott, Dow Constatine will MC, and reception by Margarita, 11th Dist. Table encouraged.

Vote no on imitative 25 elections director - KC newsletter detail it w/initiatives that are endorsed

Larry Phillips at next KC meeting Pizza and Pop 5:30 NEXT Tuesday here

Margaritas email message - endorse Margarita as soon as possible

Martha with ticket options for KC honors banquet

Bob Hasegawa and Zack Hudgins introduction

Program –Martha Koester-presented the membership with detailed instructions for yahoo groups and VoterFile

Break

Officer and Delegate Reports -

Caucus Update – Jay Hollingsworth

Old Business

New Business—Nov 20th Cultural Even

Special Raffle and Regular Raffle Prizes

Good of the Order—King County Honors Banquet - Submit Names at web site, Candidate and Ballot issues, Special thanks to Martha Koester

9:00 p.m. – Adjourn

Fantastic pictures of Democratic events like the KC Honors Banquet or Hillary's Seattle appearance at <http://www.11thliddems.org/> District Forum or <http://groups.yahoo.com> and login to 11LDDemocrats Group



WSDCC State Committeewoman**Membership Chair**

Martha Koester

Building party membership and participation

As I mentioned in my presentation last month (October General Meeting), we need to link old-fashioned person-to-person contact with modern methods of database management so we aren't always reinventing the wheel. If anybody has data from doorbelling to put back into VoteBuilder, I'll either arrange to meet you to show you how to do it, or do it myself.

Lynn Allen of the Darcy Burner campaign has taken a leaf out of our own Larry Grubb's book. She will be looking for neighborhood captains in the 8th CD, and adjacent parts of the 9th and the 7th if she has time, who will plan on events like Larry has so effectively arranged over the last year. The idea is to get to know people informally without being constrained by Robert's Rules and having to get a lot of business done, and to have a way for people to get involved that doesn't require going to meetings. Showing brief films for discussion is another option. If you are interested, please contact Lynn at 425-467-1183.

11th Legislative District Democratic Organization Community Event

What: 11th District Democratic multicultural celebration and outreach event

Who: 11th Legislative District residents, or Organizations that serve or organize the people of the 11th District

When: **November 20, 2007, 7pm - 9pm** (or later, if we're really having fun)

Where: Renton Carpenters Union Hall, 231 Burnett Ave. N., Renton

No Cost/Gratis

Join in as we celebrate our district's rich and diverse communities - and just take a little time to appreciate how many values we have in common. The 11th Legislative District Democrats will provide food, but feel free to bring something representative of your culture or community - potluck style - if you feel so moved. Everyone can participate!

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- You'll get to talk with your elected officials (local, county and state)
- Hear about what's going on from great community organization representatives within our district
- Meet lots of new people from all of our neighborhoods with all kinds of interests
- We've also got some groups who have generously offered to share traditional dance performances. We're talking fun!

This will be an informal event geared toward building bridges, friendships, and networking. Community and organization leaders will be introduced and briefly share about their organizations or activities - and other information they feel is important for us to know about in our community. We'll make sure there's plenty of time for us to talk and network with each other. We'll provide table space for organizational literature. If you live in the 11th Legislative District, you should make this event!

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Upcoming 11th District Meetings

General Meeting: Dec 21 – 7pm
Carpenter's Hall, Renton

**Executive Board Meeting:
Wednesday Dec 5 – 7pm**
Carpenter's Hall, Renton

Official Call

11th Legislative District Monthly Meeting
November 20 2007 - 7:00 p.m.
Renton Carpenters Hall - 231 Burnett Avenue North
Proposed Agenda

7:00 p.m. Call to Order/Flag Salute

7:02 p.m. Welcome/Introductions

7:10 p.m. Program – **What's Happening In The Community?**

This will be an informal event. This is a community outreach party – celebrating our diversity and learning about organizations making a difference in the district. We'll make sure there's plenty of time for us all to talk and network informally with each other. We'll provide table space for organizational literature.

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7:30 p.m.

State Senator Margarita Prentice, State Representative Bob Hasegawa and State Representative Zack Hudgins comment on community building. Community and organization leaders will be introduced. We'll let them briefly share about their organizations or activities - and other information they feel is important for us to know about in our community. More Elected officials (local, county and state) have been invited to speak.

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8:45 p.m. - Raffle Prizes

9:00 p.m. – Adjourn

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