

**April 29, 2008**

Editor's Note:

We will be featuring local candidates (one every week or two.) We also would like to put candidate profiles on our website. Be sure and read our first CANDIDATE PROFILE below!

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From the Chair:

Delegates/Alternates to State Assembly & Convention: the list of Larimer County Delegates and alternates will be posted on our website by tomorrow (Wed). This will allow everyone to have final confirmation of those to attend.

THE BIG BUS is filling up fast. E-mail us ASAP with your interest in traveling by luxury double-decker coach to and from the Springs. Watch the website later this week and next week's newsletter for answers to questions you may have. If you are interested in car-pooling, send an e-mail and we'll try to connect you with like-minded folks.

## **PARTY NEWS**

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR BOOTHS AND PARADES**

The season for Booths and Parades has started. We are looking for volunteers to run some booths. There are possibly 53 days of booths and 9 days of parades that need to be staffed this year.

As this is an election year, it is important to have a great showing at each event by the Larimer County Democratic Party and our candidates. These events are great opportunities for our candidates to meet voters and for the voters to get to know the candidates.

A full schedule of all booths and parades can be found on the website, [www.larimerdems.org/communityevents.html](http://www.larimerdems.org/communityevents.html)

**Please** select a **booth event** that you would be able to set up and coordinate. Bob Massaro will guide you through the process and assist in any way he can.

Bob and Carla Massaro will be handling all the parades but will need help decorating the floats and walking in the parade.

Please select an event (or two or six) and email your information to Bob Massaro so he can add you to the schedule. If you have already indicated your willingness to help with booths/parades via the online form or on a donation envelope, please call Bob for further details.

**Date & Time:** All summer long!

**Location:** Festivals throughout Larimer County

**Contact:** Bob Massaro, 402-3678, [massaror2001@yahoo.com](mailto:massaror2001@yahoo.com)

Wed, April 30: HD51 MONTHLY MEETING

We will be discussing plans for the coming year. Ken Bennett (HD51 candidate) and Roger Hoffmann (County Commissioner candidate) are invited to attend and discuss their campaigns.

**Date & Time:** Wednesday April, 30 at 6:30 pm

**Location:** Larimer County Democratic Party South Office, 218 6th Street, Loveland

**Contact:** Bob Massaro, 402-3678, [massaror2001@yahoo.com](mailto:massaror2001@yahoo.com)

Sat, May 3: CANDIDATES TO ADDRESS LARIMER COUNTY JANE JEFFERSON DEMOCRATIC CLUB

Views of Northern Colorado Priorities is the topic as Randy Eubanks, Larimer County Commissioner, Roger Hoffmann, candidate for Larimer County Commissioner, and James Ross, candidate for House District 49, all address the May Janes' breakfast.

**Date & Time:** Saturday, May 3, 2008 at 8:30 am

Full breakfast, \$8.25, continental, \$5.25, Coffee/tea \$1.00

**Location:** Dorothy's Catering, 2248 W. 1st Street, Loveland

**Contact:** Arlene Kramer, [aakramer@earthlink.net](mailto:aakramer@earthlink.net)

**RSVP by noon, May 1:** Kathy Batterton, [kathybatterton@q.com](mailto:kathybatterton@q.com)

Wed, May 7: DEMOCRATIC BREAKFAST FORUM

The Democratic Breakfast Forum will welcome the Udall Campaign's Political Director, Ben Davis, as the main speaker on May 7. Davis will explain the wide philosophical differences that will emerge between Congressman Mark Udall and his opponent, Bob Schaffer, in the race for the US Senate.

Newly announced HD 49 candidate, James Ross, will also address the forum.

Bring a friend and learn how you can make a difference in these two important campaigns.

**Date & Time:** First Wednesdays at 7:45 am

**Location:** Columbine Cafe & Bakery, NW corner of Drake and Worthington, Fort Collins.

**Contact:** Irma Woollen, 266-1136, [ierwoole@peoplepc.com](mailto:ierwoole@peoplepc.com)

**RSVP by April 30:** Anne Michaelson, 484-9621, [annewmich@comcast.net](mailto:annewmich@comcast.net)

## NEWS FROM THE CAMPAIGNS

Fri, May 2: ROGER HOFFMANN FOR LARIMER COUNTY COMMISSIONER - CAMPAIGN KICKOFF OPEN HOUSE

Please join Roger Hoffmann at the home of Charlie and Susan Shilling for his campaign kickoff open house.

**Date & Time:** Friday, May 2, 5:00 - 8:00 pm

**Where:** Charlie and Susan Shilling's, 821 Langdale Drive, Fort Collins

**Directions:** From Shields and Harmony, go south on Shields past Community College. Take the 1st left on Clarendon Hills Dr., take 1st left on Langdale, 2nd Cul-de-sac on right.

**Contact:** Susan Shilling, [sshilling2@comcast.net](mailto:sshilling2@comcast.net), 231-7340

Fri, May 9: RANDY FISCHER FOR COLORADO HOUSE KICK-OFF PARTY!  
Randy Fischer is running for re-election! Please join Randy, his sisters Pam and Debbie, niece Erin and their families for a big Campaign Kick-off Celebration. Meet special guests Tom Sutherland, Peggy Reeves, and Kelly Ohlson.

Randy has been hard at work representing us in the House and this is your chance to thank him, volunteer for his campaign and make a donation. Enjoy food, drinks and lively conversation!

**Date & Time:** Friday, May 9, 4:30 - 7:30 pm

**Where:** Pam, Bill and Erin Grogan's Home, 3034 Clemma Ct., Ft. Collins

**Directions:** Take W. Drake west of Taft Hill, turn south on Pasquinal Dr., then turn west on Clemma Ct.

**Parking:** Best spots are on Pasquinal or on the west side of Overland Trail, south of Drake. Watch for Fischer yard signs.

**Contact:** RSVP to Gina Janett at [ginaciao@frii.com](mailto:ginaciao@frii.com) or 493-4677. Gina is also recruiting volunteers and food donations for the event.

*Betsy Markey For Congress:*

Thurs, May 1: ICE CREAM SOCIAL AT THE SWEET SPOT

Join Betsy Markey for an Ice Cream Social at The Sweet Spot on Fourth Street.

Suggested donation: \$10. Your RSVP is appreciated but not required.

**Date & Time:** Thursday, May 1, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

**Location:** The Sweet Spot, 210 E. Fourth Street, Loveland

**Contact & RSVP:** Jamie (970) 221-1473 or [jamie@markeyforcongress.com](mailto:jamie@markeyforcongress.com)

Sat, May 3: TRI-COUNTY JFK DINNER (BENT, OTERO AND CROWLEY)

Betsy will be attending the Annual Tri-county JFK dinner (Bent, Otero and Crowley).

**Date & Time:** Saturday May 3, 5:00 - 7:00 pm

**Location:** Otero Junior College Student Center, 2001 San Juan Ave, La Junta

**Contact & RSVP:** Jamie (970) 221-1473 or [jamie@markeyforcongress.com](mailto:jamie@markeyforcongress.com)

*Larimer County*

Fri, May 9 Deadline: OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE ON COUNTY BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

LARIMER COUNTY — Larimer County has open positions on 19 of its 30 boards and commissions, such as the Planning Commission, Open Lands Advisory Board, Environmental Advisory Board, & new Parks Advisory Board. The complete list is on the County website, [www.larimer.org/boards](http://www.larimer.org/boards).

The deadline to apply for an opening is May 9. Residents can apply online or pick up an application form at the nearest county office.

New board terms for residents begin in July. A short video and a question-and-answer section answering many questions about serving on a county board are available online at [www.larimer.org/boards](http://www.larimer.org/boards).

**Contact:** Diane Tokarz in the Larimer County Commissioners Office at 498-7015 or [dtokarz@larimer.org](mailto:dtokarz@larimer.org)

## COMMUNITY NEWS

Sat. May 3: TOWN HALL MEETING with REP. RANDY FISCHER, REP. JOHN KEFALAS and SEN. BOB BACON

Fort Collins residents are invited to join Representative Randy Fischer, Representative John Kefalas, and Senator Bob Bacon for an exchange of ideas about our Colorado state legislature. Community members are encouraged to bring their comments, concerns, and questions.

**Date & Time:** Saturday, May 3, 9:30 - 11:30 am

**Location:** Harmony Library, 4616 S Shields, Fort Collins, southeast corner of Harmony and Shields

**Contact:** Cordelia Stone, [cordstone@aol.com](mailto:cordstone@aol.com), 970-689-4233

Sat. May 3: STAN MATSUNAKA SPEAKING AT WAYSIDE INN, BERTHOUD

Stan Matsunaka will be speaking about his family's experience as Japanese Americans during World War II, including internment camps and how such experience has affected and informed his life and those of his family. Mr. Matsunaka is a former two-term senator for SD 15. The event is being sponsored by the Berthoud Public Library. For more information people can call .

**Date & Time:** Saturday, May 3, 2:00 pm

**Location:** Wayside Inn, 505 Main Street, Berthoud

**For more information:** (970) 532-2757 or visit [www.berthoudpubliclibrary.org](http://www.berthoudpubliclibrary.org)

Election Day for Health District Board is May 6

For more information on the election or to request a mail- in ballot call 224-5209 or visit [www.healthdistrict.org/election](http://www.healthdistrict.org/election)

## CANDIDATE PROFILE: James Ross for HD 49



James Ross is the Democratic candidate for Colorado House District 49. He is committed to helping Northern Colorado by investing in the people who live here, and bringing citizens together to find solutions to our common problems and concerns. James wants to provide the people of District 49 with the full and fair representation they deserve.

James has been a resident of Colorado for nearly 20 years, and lives outside LaPorte. He teaches at Colorado State University, and has worked in the construction, marketing, international education and public policy sectors. James has served on boards, commissions and community task forces, in addition to being a leader in promoting voter participation. He is a graduate of the University of Colorado and is married with three children.

### **James Ross to Answer Calling for House District 49**

My name is James Ross and I am the Democratic Party candidate for State Representative in House District 49. I am a graduate of the University of Colorado, married and an involved "Soccer Dad" with three children. I have broad experience in the construction, marketing, public policy and higher education sectors.

I ask for your support to answer this calling: to bring people together to find solutions to our common problems and concerns.

The real issues facing the people of House District 49 require connection and collaboration, especially in uncertain times. I believe that our communities are strongest when we work together, building on our common values and goals. My service on local boards and commissions has been driven by the broad aim of restoring the dialog that will move us beyond insular fear to mutual trust.

I want to bring quality representation to House District 49, to listen to you, to find common values and provide responsive leadership. Much as I have done in my role as an educator and organizer, I want to build trust, develop dialog and find solutions to the real problems and concerns facing us.

Together we can do just that.

We need our state representative to make sure that real issues facing all of us get a fair hearing at the Capitol. Dialog that moves us forward shouldn't be optional.

I want to see a better Colorado and for that I will work for excellent education for all of our children, affordable healthcare for everyone and a new energy economy that limits our dependence on foreign oil, protects the environment against uranium mining in our backyards and brings good jobs to Northern Colorado.

The issues facing families, today, are real and immediate.

Like families across Colorado, people here are being squeezed by a faltering economy, the mortgage crisis, falling home values, evaporating savings, high healthcare costs and a strained transportation system. I believe quality representation demands responsive leadership on these issues.

Join me to bring people together and provide quality representation on the real issues facing House District 49 and the State of Colorado.

For more information email James at [James@Ross49.org](mailto:James@Ross49.org), call 970-204-7579, or go to the campaign website, [www.ross49.org](http://www.ross49.org).

### **SAVE THE DATES**

Fri, May 16	Congressional District 4 Assembly and Convention, evening, Colorado Springs
Sat, May 17	State Assembly and Convention, all day, Colorado Springs

Sun, June 8	Ice Cream Social w/Candidates, Sponsored by Larimer County Jane Jefferson Democratic Club, Shelter #3, North Lake Park, 29th & Taft, Loveland. 2:30-5:30 pm
Sun, Aug. 24	Delegate Reception, sponsored by LCDP, 6-9 p.m., Walker Fine Art Gallery, Denver
Mon- Thur, Aug 25- 28	Democratic National Convention, Denver!!
Fri-Sun, Aug 29- 31	Convention Delegates Invited to Larimer County. More information: <a href="http://www.larimerdems.org">www.larimerdems.org</a> Contact: Ann Harroun, 461-9177, <a href="mailto:a.harroun@comcast.net">a.harroun@comcast.net</a>

### **ELECTION CALENDAR**

July 14	Last day to register for Primary Election
August 2 - 8	Early voting for Primary Election
August 5	Last day to apply for mail-in ballot for Primary Election if ballot is to be mailed to you
August 8	Last day to apply in person for mail-in ballot for primary election
August 12	Primary Election - balloting closes at 7 pm
October 6	Last day to register for General Election
October 20 - 31	Early voting for General Election
October 28	Last day to apply for mail-in ballot for General Election if ballot is to be mailed to you
October 31	Last day to apply in person for mail-in ballot for General Election
Complete document can be found at <a href="http://www.lwvcolorado.org/Your%20Voice%20Your%20Vote%202008-2009.pdf">www.lwvcolorado.org/Your%20Voice%20Your%20Vote%202008-2009.pdf</a>	

### **REGULAR MEETINGS**

Larimer County Democratic Party Monthly Meeting (All are welcome!)

**Date & Time:** Third Thursdays, 6:30 pm social; 7:00 pm meeting

**Regular Location:** Headquarters, 606 S. Mason St., Fort Collins

**LOCATION - May only:** Estes Park Library

**Contact:** Irene Fortune for more information [vladimir1992@hotmail.com](mailto:vladimir1992@hotmail.com)

Democratic Breakfast Forum: Fort Collins  
Monthly Meeting

**Date & Time:** First Wednesdays at 7:45 am

**Location:** Columbine Cafe & Bakery, NW corner of Drake and Worthington, Fort Collins.

**Contact:** Irma Woollen, 266-1136, [ierwoole@peoplepc.com](mailto:ierwoole@peoplepc.com)

**Reservations:** Anne Michaelson, 484-9621

Estes Park Meetup for Democracy: Estes Park  
Monthly Meeting

The Estes Park Meetup for Democracy is open to anyone interested in a return to progressive government. The group supports candidates who are fiscally responsible, socially progressive, and who promote honesty and candor in political discourse.

**Date & Time:** First Wednesdays at 7:00 pm

**Contact:** John Ericson, 586-5042

Larimer County Jane Jefferson Democratic Club: Loveland  
Monthly Breakfast

**Date & Time:** First Saturday of each month, except June through August, 8:30 am

**Location:** Dorothy's Catering, 2248 West First Street, Loveland.

**Contact:** Kathy Batterton at [kathybatterton@q.com](mailto:kathybatterton@q.com) for reservations

Democratic Business Coalition: Fort Collins  
Monthly Luncheon

**Date & Time:** Second Tuesday of each month. 12:00 noon, Guest presentation. Doors open at 11:30 am to socialize and start lunch.

**Location:** Home State Bank, 303 East Mountain, Fort Collins.

**Contact:** M.L. Johnson, 482-4979 or [mjohnson@lamar.colostate.edu](mailto:mjohnson@lamar.colostate.edu) for reservations and to order catered lunch.

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## NEWSLETTER DEADLINES

If you have items to submit, PLEASE READ!

Due to the length of the newsletter, we are limiting the body of most items to 75 words (not including title and “date & time, location, contact” type information). If your submission is longer, it will be cut. We suggest including a link for additional information. Our deadline for newsletter items is Sundays at 5 pm for publishing by e-mail on Tuesday mornings. To be effective, send us your notices at least a week early, so that they can appear twice. This will give potential attendees time to put your events on their calendars. We would like to include House District meetings, committee meetings, neighborhood coffees or picnics, etc. Such notices may increase your attendance. Please send newsletter items to [anneeliz73@gmail.com](mailto:anneeliz73@gmail.com), [adambowen@frii.com](mailto:adambowen@frii.com), and [a.harroun@comcast.net](mailto:a.harroun@comcast.net). (Sometimes one of us will be out of town.) Thank you.