

**7/11/08**

**Editor's Note:**

As always, please submit any and all newsletter items to Anne Wilseck [anneeliz73@gmail.com](mailto:anneeliz73@gmail.com), Adam Bowen [adambowen@frii.com](mailto:adambowen@frii.com) and Ann Harroun [a.harroun@comcast.net](mailto:a.harroun@comcast.net). The deadline is 5:00 pm Sunday, but early submissions are always appreciated.

**NEW CANDIDATE PROFILE BELOW!**

**From the chair:**

I hope you all enjoyed your 4th of July - it was a truly remarkable weekend with amazing turnout at all the events where your Larimer Dems were represented - notably the Wellington parade where a great contingent of candidates and local Dems turned out and received a very warm and enthusiastic response from the crowd. Other parts of the county saw great energy and turnout as well: Red Feather Lakes, Fort Collins, Loveland, and Estes Park.

As the first heatwave of summer hits, extreme far-right organizations like Focus on the Family are feeling the heat as well, knowing their pet wedge issues no longer rile up voters the way they used to. We know this is our year, but as this past weekend's events show, it's because Democrats are willing to *work* for the victories we'll earn this November.

Deep-pocketed organizations aren't going to go easily though. Salivating over an anti-discrimination bill, SB200, FOTF ran sleazy "bathroom" advertisements, showing us once again that they're willing to spend big money to run roughshod over facts to eke out some political gain. Even the Coloradoan took the bait and featured a headline earlier this week: "Ads criticize public restrooms bill". After Representatives Fischer and Kefalas contacted the Coloradoan, our paper of record tried to unring the bell by running a hard-to-find correction that SB200 doesn't even *mention* restrooms.

We must not allow the right wing to fabricate issues in order to play on the fears of their base. Whenever the far-right spends money on sleazy ads, your Democratic elected officials, candidates and citizens are going to set the record straight. Then we're going to keep on topic, talking about issues that matter to us and our neighbors, friends and families. It's going to take all of us working together, but we're going to earn our victories in November.

## **PARTY NEWS**

### **LARIMER COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY SOUTH OFFICE**

Thanks to Joan and Mark Shaffer, the party has an office in Loveland at 218 E. 6th Street.

The office is currently staffed by volunteers on:

Monday: 10:00 am - Noon,

Tuesday: 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Wednesday: 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Thursday: 10:00 am - Noon

Friday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

If you can volunteer to help at the office at any time, please call Bob Massarro at 970 402-3678

### **ADDITIONAL STAFF PEOPLE NEEDED FOR SHIFTS AT HEADQUARTERS**

If you have time available weekday mornings or afternoons, you could be a valuable part of keeping headquarters open and staffed. Traffic will start picking up - we're less than four months away from the election!

**Times:** Mon 10-1 needs another staffer . . . AND Two volunteers have stepped up to cover Wed. evenings from 5-8 p.m. If you are interested in another evening - get in touch!

**Location:** LCDP Headquarters, 606 S. Mason in Fort Collins

**Contact:** LCDP HQ, 689-6391 or Lynn Alldrin, 490-2772

## **NEWS FROM THE CAMPAIGNS**

### **Tonight! Fri, July 11: OPEN HOUSE PARTY FOR BETSY MARKEY**

Please join Suzanne Trautwein and Joan and Martin Dooley for an Open House supporting Betsy Markey. Light refreshments served.

**Date & Time:** Friday, July 11, 6:00 - 7:30 pm

**Location:** 2713 Blackstone Ct., Ft. Collins, CO 80525

**Please RSVP** to Suzanne at 970-225-9120 or email her at [bjtraut@comcast.net](mailto:bjtraut@comcast.net)

### **Tues, July 15: HOUSE PARTY FOR BETSY MARKEY**

Please join Jeramy and Christine Jasmann for a house party with Colorado's next Congresswoman. Help us elect Betsy Markey by making a contribution of \$25 to \$50. Kids are welcome

**Date & Time:** Tuesday, July 15, 5:30 - 7:30 pm

**Location:** Jeramy & Christine Jasmann's home: 1712 Briargate Court, Fort Collins

**RSVP by July 12:** 916-804-3698 or [jeramyj@msn.com](mailto:jeramyj@msn.com). Please leave your name and contact number.

### **Saturday, July 12: KEN BENNETT LIT DROP GATHERING AND YARD SIGNS**

Drop in to the office to visit with Ken, have some coffee/juice, pick up yard signs and flyers for on-going, non-stop lit dropping.

**Date & time:** Saturday, July 12, 7:00 a.m. to Noon

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

**Sun, July 13: ICE CREAM SOCIAL TO BENEFIT ROGER HOFFMANN FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER, 3RD DISTRICT**

Come build your own sundae or have a simple ice cream cone. Entertainment provided and games will be available.

Bring a friend and a lawn chair and enjoy some ice cream and socializing.

**Date & Time:** Sunday July 13th 2:0 - 4:00 pm

**Location:** Jim and Myrna Maier 6525 Lynn Drive Fort Collins, CO 80525( Parking with easy access is available courtesy of Crazy Jack's Saloon 6520 S. College Avenue (Trilby Road and South College)

**Cost:** Adults \$5.00 Children Free

**Fri, July 25: BARBEQUE & FUNDRAISER FOR ROGER HOFFMANN**

Mark your calendars today to join Northern Colorado's conservation leaders as they host a fundraiser to help Roger Hoffmann's campaign for County Commissioner. We'll have a fun evening out in Avo's beautiful back yard with the grills fired up and the drinks a-chillin. Lively conversation is always to be expected.

Please invite your friends, especially those concerned about uranium mining, damming the Poudre, clean air and water, renewable energy, and better transportation.

**Date & Time:** Friday, July 25, 5:00 - 8:00 pm

**Location:** Avogadro's Back Patio, 605 S. Mason Street, Fort Collins

**Thurs, July 31: URANIUM-FREE FUNDRAISER FOR JOHN KEFALAS & RANDY FISCHER!**

John and Randy have been our uranium-free heroes. Now it's time to thank them! They attended the first-ever public meeting on uranium proposals in our area. They worked tirelessly to protect us in the legislature. We need to re-elect them, because we know THE URANIUM INDUSTRY WILL BE BACK!!

Enjoy a relaxed country setting between Fort Collins and Wellington -

Your hosts: Aileen, Marlan and Allison Hanson, Liliias Jarding, and Ward Luthi

**Date & Time:** Thursday, July 31, 6-8 p.m.

**Contact:** LILIAS at 493-1877 or [liliasj@hotmail.com](mailto:liliasj@hotmail.com) if you would like to help.

**FUNDRAISER FOR KEN BENNETT, RANDY EUBANKS AND ROGER HOFFMANN**

We have the place, we have the time, but we need your help! Join the host committee for an event honoring Ken Bennett, Randy Eubanks and Roger Hoffmann at Columbine Gallery in Loveland.

Host: \$1000, Co-host: \$500, Sponsor: \$250

**Location:** Columbine Gallery, 2683 North Taft Avenue, Loveland

**Contact:** Alan Jones, 970-566-1217, [ajonesbroker@yahoo.com](mailto:ajonesbroker@yahoo.com) or Ana Child, 303-777-7538

**WALK FOR KEN BENNETT: LIT DROPS ANYTIME you want to help Ken Bennett**

Win House District 51 (Loveland area), you can walk a neighborhood and drop flyers on

doorsteps.

We are covering the district with 3 different flyers: (so lots of flyers and walking to do)

First: *Knock-Knock... Who's there for You.*

Second: *I'm Back... And still here for You.*

Then finally: *Now is the Time... To Vote for Someone Who Will Work for You.*

Walk as often as you can or want. Enjoy walking for your own fitness and know that you are serving a critically important task to Win House District 51.

Pick up flyers and maps of unwalked neighborhoods at the Larimer County Democratic Party South Office: 218 E. 6th Street, Loveland

## COMMUNITY NEWS

Fri, July 11 - Sun, July 13: LOVELAND SUMMER FEST IN THE ROCKIES

Enjoy downtown Loveland and the free entertainment at the Foote Lagoon for Summer Fest in the Rockies, July 11 - 13.

**For more information:** [www.ci.loveland.co.us/news/summerfest2008.htm](http://www.ci.loveland.co.us/news/summerfest2008.htm)

*Save the Date:* Wed, Aug 13: THIRD ANNUAL FUNDRAISER FOR COLORADO CONSERVATION VOTERS (CCV)

Please come help CCV honor our environmental heroes -- Senator Bob Bacon, Representative John Kefalas, and Representative Randy Fischer -- for their pro-environment work in the 2008 state legislature. All three legislators scored 100% on the 2008 environmental scorecard!

**Date & Time:** Wednesday, August 13, 5:00-8:00 pm,

**Location:** Avogadro's Number

**Contact:** [www.ColoradoConservationVoters.org](http://www.ColoradoConservationVoters.org)

David Sirota has canceled *The Uprising* book signing event on July 14 in Fort Collins. If it is rescheduled, it will be posted here.

## **CANDIDATE PROFILE**



**Senator Bob Bacon**  
*Your State Senator from District 14*

Bob Bacon has served the citizens of Fort Collins for four decades – first as a teacher in the Poudre School District, then as a Board Director of the Poudre School District, then as a three-term State Representative, and now as your State Senator. For the last four years, Bob has represented Colorado Senate District 14, which encompasses the city of Fort Collins. Bob is running for re-election for his second and final term. He would greatly appreciate your vote and support.

As a citizen of Fort Collins for over 40 years, Bob knows the community well. Teaching and working with many scores of students and their parents, his many contacts while on the school board, as well as in the legislature, have allowed him to have firsthand knowledge of issues and concerns affecting our citizens.

### **EDUCATION**

Bob is a passionate advocate for education, from early childhood, through K-12, and on to community college and university. As just two examples of his extensive commitments to the full spectrum of education in Colorado, in the 2008 state legislature, Bob authored bills to permit local school districts to provide resources for full-day kindergarten, and he successfully advocated for funding for buildings at both CSU and the Larimer Campus of Front Range Community College.

### **ECONOMY**

Jobs, particularly in the high tech sector, are threatened in our community. The state must do all it can to encourage and aid the entrepreneurial efforts and retraining of those who have suffered from downsizing and outsourcing. In the 2008 state legislature, Bob led the fight to create bioscience grants totaling \$27.5 million for CSU and other universities. Bob supported and sponsored numerous economic stimulus bills in the 2008 legislature, including a bill to incentivize small business job creation, and to reduce taxes on airplane manufacturing in Colorado. The highlight of Bob's economic work in the 2008 legislature was his sponsorship of SB 170 which allowed a 20 year extension of the

Downtown Development Authority in Fort Collins. Governor Ritter came to Fort Collins and signed the bill in Old Town Square.

### **HEALTH CARE**

Affordable and readily available health care is a concern to all Coloradans. Fixing our health care crisis is a major undertaking, and Bob will continue to work hard in the state legislature to move health care reform forward. In the 2008 legislature, Bob voted to give healthcare to 50,000 children who did not have health insurance, and to allow parents to keep children under the age of 25 on their family health insurance. Much more work needs to be done to address our health care crisis, and Bob is committed to the work.

### **ENVIRONMENT**

Bob believes that what's good for the environment is good for the economy, and Bob knows that Fort Collins citizens want a healthy and clean environment. For the last four years, Bob has received a 100% rating from Colorado Conservation Voters for his pro-environment votes in the state legislature. Fort Collins citizens have consistently voted to support open space programs, and Bob authored a bill to purchase over 5,000 acres in the Livermore area to add to the Rabbit Creek natural area for the enjoyment of Larimer County citizens. In the 2008 legislature, Bob was a co-sponsor of the bill to help local communities protect land and ground water supplies from radioactive waste produced by uranium mining.

### **2008 SENATE COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

Chair, Local Government Committee

Chair, Capital Development Committee

Member, Education Committee, Judiciary Committee and Capitol Building Advisory Committee

Bob welcomes your phone calls and emails. As your State Senator, he pledges to listen and to fight for the best, fair, and visionary public policy to address the needs of the citizens of our city and state.

[www.baconforsenate.com](http://www.baconforsenate.com)  
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### **SAVE THE DATES**

Sun, Aug. 24	LCDP Convention Party 6:00-9:00 pm, 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>

Tues, Nov 4	Larimer Dems Election Night Party Fort Collins Marriott. More info to come.
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### 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
November 4	Election Day
Complete document can be found at <a href="http://www.lwvcolorado.org/elecdeadlines.html">www.lwvcolorado.org/elecdeadlines.html</a>	

### REGULAR MEETINGS

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

**Date & Time:** Third Thursdays, 6:30 pm social, Meeting at 7:00 pm

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

**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, [annemich@comcast.net](mailto:annemich@comcast.net)

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 Sunday at 5:00 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.