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Editor's Note:

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

From the Party:

Larimer County Democrats!--let's take a moment to appreciate the strength and value of all of our volunteers as we reflect on two noted members who are relocating; Helen McHugh Brauer and Liliias Jarding.

Helen's departure from Fort Collins to be closer to family was announced recently, and Liliias' career searched has netted a 1-year position at South Dakota State University in Brookings. Democratic candidates and Progressive causes cannot succeed without the generous contributions of volunteers. Helen and Liliias are the finest examples of that spirit and commitment. We'll miss you!

PARTY NEWS

Wed, Aug 6: DEMOCRATIC BREAKFAST FORUM: Fort Collins

Join enthusiastic fellow Democrats on Wednesday, August 6, for Larimer County Day at the Democratic Breakfast Forum. Larimer County Commissioner candidates Roger Hoffmann and Randy Eubanks will answer every burning question you've ever had about the Board of County Commissioners. You'll learn why "all politics are local," and why Roger & Randy are the go-to guys in their respective races.

Date & Time: First Wednesdays at 7:45 am

Location: Columbine Cafe & Bakery, 802 W. Drake, Fort Collins (NW corner of Drake and Worthington) Fort Collins.

Contact: Irma Woollen, 266-1136, ierwoole@peoplepc.com

RSVP by July 30: Anne Michaelson, 484-9621, annewmich@comcast.net

Save the date: Sun, Aug 24: LARIMER DEMS CONVENTION KICK-OFF

PARTY: "THE NIGHT BEFORE"

Let's all meet "The Night Before" at the convention kickoff, hosted by the Larimer County Democratic Party at the Walker Fine Art Gallery, located in Denver's Golden Triangle gallery district. Catering, music, wine, beer and other beverages provided by Larimer County purveyors. Tickets are \$25. Information about the Walker Fine Art Gallery may be found at their website, www.walkerfineart.com

Date & Time: Sunday, August 24, 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Location: Walker Fine Art Gallery, 300 W. 11th Ave #A (11th Ave. and Cherokee St.), Denver

Tickets: \$25

Save the date: Fri, Aug 28: LARIMER DEMS ANNUAL PICNIC: "THE NIGHT AFTER"

Join Larimer Dems at our Annual Picnic on the Oxbow At New Belgium Brewery "The Night After" the convention. Featuring Colorado-grown summer fare, New Belgium products, music, speeches by all our great candidates capturing and continuing the momentum of the Democratic National Convention, this picnic will be green with recycled dinnerware. Carpooling and cycling are encouraged and may be rewarded. We Cycle and Recycle.

Date & Time: Friday, August 29, 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Location: The Oxbow at New Belgium Brewery, 500 Linden, Fort Collins

Contact: Nancy Tellez, ntellez@frii.com, 443-7705, William Russell, rwjr3@msn.com, 227-6303

Suggested Donation: \$25, Children under 12, Free

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 during advertised hours.

Times: staffer needed for Mon 10-1 . . . Wed. 1-5 . . . Currently, we have no staff for evenings. If you are interested in 6-8 p.m. any weekday - 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

Thur, July 24: JAMES ROSS for HD 49 OPEN HOUSE AT ROCK BOTTOM RESTAURANT

Catch the 49er fever at the James Ross for House District 49 Open House at the Rock Bottom Restaurant in the Centerra Promenade shopping center. Bring a friend to meet James and join our effort to bring quality representation to HD-49!

This is a great opportunity to get to know James Ross – please join us and bring a friend! Light refreshments and appetizers will be served, and a cash bar will be available.

Date & Time: Thursday, July 24, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Location: Rock Bottom Restaurant, in the Centerra Promenade Shopping Center, east of I-25, north of US 34, near the movie theater and close to Best Buy.

www.rockbottom.com/DisplayLocationRBR.php?FKLocationID=10148

RSVP: James@Ross49.org

Contact: 970-402-7579 or www.ross49.org

Fri, July 25: BARBEQUE & FUNDRAISER FOR ROGER HOFFMANN

Join Northern Colorado's conservation leaders for a fundraiser to help Roger's campaign for County Commissioner. We'll have a fun evening in Avo's beautiful backyard with the grills fired up and the drinks a-chillin'. 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

Suggested Donation: \$35 includes barbeque and beverage.

To help, RSVP: Gina 493-4677 or ginaciao@frii.com

Sat, July 26: WORLD MUSIC CONCERT - FUNDRAISER FOR RANDY EUBANKS

Enjoy the Native American flute playing of Billy Henson and the Celtic-style harp and soprano of Lara Jai at this fundraiser for Randy Eubanks.

This is a family-friendly event.

Date & Time: Saturday, July 26th, 2008, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Location: Catalyst Coffee and Lounge, 3051 S. Shields Street, Fort Collins

Tickets are \$10 in advance/\$12 at the door (children under 12 are free)

To reserve tickets go to Catalyst Coffee or call Joan at 324-5413.

Wed, July 30: ESTES PARK FOR OBAMA PLANNING MEETING

Estes Park for Obama will hold a planning meeting with the Obama campaign field organizer on Wednesday, July 30th at 7 pm at the US Bank, 363 E. Elkhorn. We will discuss voter registration drives and other plans for the fall. Bring your friends. For more information, call Karen Ericson, 586-5042, or email at kjericson@earthlink.net.

Date & Time: Wednesday, July 30, 7:00 pm

Location: U.S. Bank, 363 E. Elkhorn

Contact: Karen Ericson, 586-5042, kjericson@earthlink.net

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, Liliás Jarding, and Ward Luthi

Date & Time: Thursday, July 31, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Contact: LILIAS at 493-1877 or liliasj@hotmail.com if you would like to help.

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

ELECTION JUDGES NEEDED FOR ESTES PARK

The Larimer County Elections Department still needs a few election judges for Early Voting and Election Day at our Estes Park location for the August Primary Election. We have exhausted our caucus list for that area. Positions and training are both paid. Training will take place in Estes Park.

If you are interested in serving, please contact Donna at (970) 498-7926 or Michael at (970) 498-7925.

Wed, July 30: COMMUNITY FORUM ON COLORADO'S BUDGET AND FISCAL FUTURE

Fort Collins State Representatives Randy Fischer and John Kefalas invite community members to attend this important forum on our state budget and fiscal future, with Colorado State Treasurer, Cary Kennedy. After a brief presentation, Treasurer Kennedy and Representatives Fischer and Kefalas will take comments and questions from the audience.

Community members are encouraged to bring their thoughts and questions!

Date & Time: Wednesday, July 30, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Location: Harmony Library Community Room, 4616 S. Shields, Fort Collins (Southeast corner of Harmony and Shields)

For more information: Representative Randy Fischer, (970) 215-7898, Representative John Kefalas, (720) 254-7598, Cordelia Stone, cordstone@aol.com, (970) 689-4233

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, 605 S. Mason Street, Fort Collins

Contact: www.ColoradoConservationVoters.org

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
info@baconforsenate.com

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: www.larimerdems.org Contact: Ann Harroun, 461-9177, a.harroun@comcast.net
Tues, Nov 4	Larimer Dems Election Night Party Fort Collins Marriott. More info to come.

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 www.lwvcolorado.org/eleceregdeadlines.html	

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

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

Reservations: Anne Michaelson, 484-9621, 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 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 for reservations and to order catered lunch.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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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, adambowen@frii.com, and a.harroun@comcast.net. (Sometimes one of us will be out of town.) Thank you.