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Editor's Note:

The newsletter is always available online at www.larimerdems.org/newsletter.html. As always, please submit any and all newsletter items to Anne Wilseck anneeliz73@gmail.com and Adam Bowen adambowen@frii.com. Deadline for submissions is 5:00 pm Sunday.

Message from the Chair:

If your house is like mine, paper piles abound and multiply quickly. Keeping track of important details requires vigilance. That's why you should find your mail ballot for the current Larimer County Coordinated Election - most of you received it last week. This election is an all-mail election but in most jurisdictions there is a short ballot this year. Do your research. Although these are non-partisan races, important decisions about the future of our region hang in the balance.

Don't forget, stop by Avo's tomorrow (Weds) from 5:30-7 to meet your State Senate leadership. Details immediately below.

PARTY NEWS

Wed, Oct. 21: MEET YOUR STATE SENATE LEADERSHIP

Join your Senator, Bob Bacon, along with Senate Majority Leader Brandon Shaffer; Senate President John Morse; Senate Pres. Pro Tem Betty Boyd; and Senator Mary Hodge from Adams County, at Avo's! This gathering is part of their Northeast Colorado Listening Tour. This is a great opportunity to make personal contact with elected officials who will be wrestling with Colorado's big problems in the next legislative session.

Date & Time: Wednesday, October 21, 5:30-7:00 pm
Location: Avogadro's Number, 605 S. Mason, Fort Collins
For more info: LCDP HQ: 689-6391 or ldems@frii.com

SAVE THE DATES:

Watch for details about our annual Holiday Party soon!
Caucus locations will be announced in 2010.

Larimer Dems Holiday Party	Saturday, December 5; 5:00 - 9:00 pm	LCDP HQ
Precinct Caucus	Tuesday, March 16, 2010; time tba	Locations tba
Larimer County Assembly	Saturday, March 27, 2010; time tba	Fort Collins
Larimer Dems Annual Dinner	Saturday, March 27, 2010; time tba	Fort Collins Marriott

ELECTION INFO

2009 LARIMER COUNTY COORDINATED ELECTION

Ballots are in the mail. Contact the [Larimer County Clerk](#) if you are a registered voter and have not received your ballot!

There are a number of elections in Larimer County this November: Poudre School District School Board, Thompson Valley School Board, Loveland City Council. School board candidates must live in their area but are elected district-wide, so everyone who lives in either school district will be voting for multiple school board candidates.

These elections are all mail-ballot elections. There will be no polling places on November 3.

Questions regarding Voter Registration, Ballot Status and Election Results should be directed to the Larimer County Elections Division at 970-498-7820 or [Larimer County Elections](#) website.
Tuesday, November 3 Election Day. 7:00 am to 7:00 pm **All ballots must be received by the County Clerk and Recorder no later than 7:00 p.m. Postmark dates do not count as received.**

CAMPAIGN NEWS

Sat, Oct 24: LITERATURE DROP FOR JOHN KEFALAS

Our next big lit drop day is Saturday, October 24th. No need to knock on doors - just leave John's info at the doorstep! First shift starts at 9:00 am, second shifts starts at 10:30 am. at Democratic headquarters at 606 S. Mason St., Fort Collins. If those days don't work for you, please call Lenina Olivas at 970-631-4466 or email lmolivas@hotmail.com to pick up a packet at your convenience & walk whenever it's convenient for you.

Next Lit Drop Day: November 7

Date & Time: Saturday, October 24, 9:00 and 10:30 am

Location: LCDP HQ, 606 S. Mason St., Fort Collins

Contact: Lenina Olivas, 970-631-4466 or lmolivas@hotmail.com

COMMUNITY NEWS

Wed, Oct 21: HEALTH INSURANCE REFORM PHONE BANK

"Over the next month there is going to be an avalanche of misinformation and scare tactics from those seeking to perpetuate the status quo." – President Barack Obama
The time for Healthcare Reform is NOW and YOU are the catalyst! Do you want to help ensure meaningful health reform legislation and empower your neighbors to find their voices? Organizing for America – Fort Collins is hosting a weekly phone bank beginning on October 14, 2009, and we would love to have your help. Please bring your enthusiasm, cell phone and charger. We will provide training, a script and a list of names to call. Refreshments will be served. If you have a few hours to meet some really great people and help create the change we voted for, please plan to attend.

Date & Time: Wednesday, October 14, 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Location: LCDP HQ, 606 S. Mason Street, Fort Collins

RSVP & more

information: <http://my.barackobama.com/page/event/detail/healthcarephonebank/gpc7fq>

Thur, Oct 22: RETHINK AFGHANISTAN SHOWING

Rethink Afghanistan is a ground-breaking documentary focusing on the key issues surrounding this war. The film raises critical questions regarding Afghanistan that Congress must address in oversight hearings, which inform the public and challenge policymakers.

Directed by Robert Greenwald, the man behind *Outfoxed*, *Wal-Mart: The High Cost of Low Price*, and *Iraq For Sale*, the film portrays Afghanistan as a nation -- or, more accurately, a collection of tribal affiliations -- that has never been pacified by force in its long history and the present American endeavor as doomed to failure.

The film was funded by small donations rather than by large-scale producers and is being rolled out at several hundred house parties, church basements and events sponsored by activist organizations.

Read more at: http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2009/09/30/watch-new-doc-calls-for-e_n_304153.html

Date & Time: Thursday, October 22, 7:00 pm

Location: Larimer Dems South Office, 505 N. Cleveland, Loveland

Sat, Oct 24: PSD SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATE LYNN BORNGREBE LISTENING SESSION

Lynn Borngrebe, Candidate for Poudre School District E, will be hosting a listening session at DazBog Coffee on Mason and Cherry, on Saturday, October 24, from 8:00 - 10:00 am. Please come and share with the candidate your concerns, ideas and beliefs about education and the Poudre School District.

Date & Time: Thursday, October 22, 8:00 - 10:00 am

Location: Daz Bog Coffee, 401 Mason Court #105, Fort Collins

Sun, Oct 25: NAMAQUA FORUM THE FUTURE OF THE SUPREME COURT

The topic of the Namaqua Forum on October 25 is The Future of the Supreme Court. Eric Waples, one of the most dynamic speakers from last year, is returning at this exciting time in The Court. The Forum meets from 7:00 to 8:30 at the new Ferguson School at 1101 Hill Top Drive in Loveland. Sponsored by the Unitarian Universalist Congregation, the Forum is free and open to the public.

Date & Time: Sunday, October 25, 7:00 pm

Location: Ferguson School, 1101 Hill Top Drive, Loveland

Thur, Nov. 5: COLORADO CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION PUBLIC FORUM

Colorado's Director of Civil Rights Steven Chavez will facilitate an open discussion on civil rights issues affecting Coloradans. Participants will have the opportunity to speak freely and have their concerns heard by members of the Colorado Civil Rights Commission.

Date & Time: Thursday, November 5, 5:00 Refreshments, 5:30 - 7:30 pm Facilitated Forum

Location: Fort Collins City Council Chambers CIC Room 300 W. Laporte Ave., Fort Collins

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: November Meeting: LCDP HQ, 606 S. Mason Street, Fort Collins

Contact: Anne Wilseck for more information anneeliz73@gmail.com

Democratic Breakfast Forum: Fort Collins

Date & Time: First Wednesdays at 7:45 am

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

Contact & RSVP A Week Ahead: Anne Michaelson, 484-9621, anne2616@comcast.net

Larimer County Jane Jefferson Democratic Club

The Larimer County Jane Jefferson Democratic Club is going to be moving around this year! We are going to try some new activities and locations: breakfast, lunch, happy hour; Loveland, Fort Collins. Check the newsletter often and please join us!

Date & Time: First Saturday of each month. 9:00 - 10:30 am

Location: Alternates between Fort Collins and Loveland.

Contact: c.j.quigley@comcast.net for reservations or more info.

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.

Larimer Democrats Southern Breakfast: Loveland

Date & Time: Third Fridays, 7:00 - 8:00 am

Location: Schmidt's Bakery & Delicatessen, 808 14th St SW

Cost: \$15, including tip & a donation back to the LCDP

Contact & RSVP: LCDP South Office 970-461-5779, or email Ralph Trenary at trenaryr3@msn.com

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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 and adambowen@frii.com. Thank you.