

### ***Editor's Note:***

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

### ***Message from the Chair:***

More thank you's are due the many volunteers who worked to get everything ready and then serve everyone at the Picnic. Please see below for the names of your fellow Dems who labored for the cause! My apologies to Joan Dooley, who is the Events Committee stalwart I meant to thank last week.

## **PARTY NEWS**

### **Wed., Sept. 2: DEMOCRATIC BREAKFAST FORUM**

Don't miss out on this special opportunity to join our own congresswoman, Betsy Markey, at the September 2 Democratic Breakfast Forum. Betsy will address the myriad, critical issues facing Congress and the concerns that are important to you.

In the few short few months since her election in November, Betsy has already proven herself to be an effective member of Congress, who is well schooled in the needs and wishes of her constituents. If you haven't met Betsy in person--or even if you have--don't pass up this chance. Attendance will be by "reservation only," with payment at the door. Make your reservation now, as seating will be limited.

**Date & Time:** Wednesday, September 2, 7:45 am

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

**Cost:** \$10 per person, payable at the door

**RSVP by August 26** to Anne Michaelson, 484-9621, [annemich@comcast.net](mailto:annemich@comcast.net) (Attendance by reservation only.)

### **Sat, Sep. 5: JANE JEFFERSON DEMOCRATIC CLUB**

The Jane Jefferson Democratic Club September 5 meeting will be a forum on school boards. We are having several speakers: James Ross, candidate for PSD Board from District D; Nancy Tellez, PSD School Board member; Bob Bacon, State Senator and former teacher; and Diana Greer, candidate for Thompson R2-J school board. Please join us at 9 am at the Catalyst Coffee House, 3501 S. Shields, Fort Collins. RSVP to [c.j.quigley@comcast.net](mailto:c.j.quigley@comcast.net).

**Date & Time:** September 5, 9:00 - 10:30 am

**Location:** Catalyst Coffee, 3501 S. Shields, Fort Collins

**Contact:** [c.j.quigley@comcast.net](mailto:c.j.quigley@comcast.net) for reservations or more info.

### **Thurs, Sep. 10: DATA COMMITTEE MEETING**

Our data meetings are starting back up for the fall! We have a fun new project to start in on so bring your laptop if you have one and get ready to learn something new and help enter data. Refreshments will be provided.

**Date & Time:** Thursday, September 10, 6:00-7:30 pm

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

**Contact:** Martha Coleman, [marthacoleman@earthlink.net](mailto:marthacoleman@earthlink.net)

## Wed, Sep 13: CAMPAIGN WORKSHOP

Come join us for an hour and hear about what it takes to be a campaign manager, treasurer, volunteer coordinator, and field operation manager here in Larimer County. Presenters will share first hand experiences about these roles and how they got trained to do the job. If you have ever thought you'd like to help on a campaign in this way, this is a great first step to find out more. Snacks and beverages will be served. Presenters are Gina Janett, Lucin Gilliland, Nancy Tellez, and Wendy Howell.

**Date & Time:** Wednesday, September 13, 5:30-6:30 pm

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

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## VOLUNTEER NEWS

### THANK YOU PICNIC VOLUNTEERS!

Our events and activities depend entirely on the efforts of our loyal volunteers. We want you to know how much we appreciate what you do. Below are acknowledgements of the contributions of volunteers to our recent Annual Picnic.

We were sporting a new stage at this event, one constructed by the expert William Russell. This stage now belongs to the Larimer Dems and can be used by local campaigns, as well. Thank you, William, for this terrific gift!

Thanks to Lynn Alldrin and Julie Lechtanski, for signing up the picnic volunteers.

Food preparation began the night before the picnic with William and Sandy Russell, Martha Coleman, Anne Wilseck, Steve Rose, and Nancy Tellez doing this initial work.

Those who helped set up the picnic facility and prepare the food for cooking and serving include Paige Noon, Margaret Matter, Jane Nicolet, Stan Ulrich, Irma Muehlbach, Mary Ann Strand, Steve Rose, Kathy Mahan, Charlotte Miller, William Russell, Nancy Tellez, and Martha Coleman. The individuals at the reception table were Lynn Alldrin, Lou Anderson, and Julie Lechtanski.

The fabulous food was cooked by our Executive Board members, Adam Bowen, Charlotte Miller, William Russell, and Anne Wilseck, with help from Nora Dixon. As you went through the serving line, you were assisted by John Dixon, Mary Selch, Judi Ashley, and Wiley McCallum, along with some of the individuals named above.

The bars were expertly and authoritatively tended by Mark Shaffer, John Gascoyne, Mark Hansen and Yin Chi Sparling.

And the clean-up crew included Dian Sparling, Marianne Rieux, Stan Ulrich, Tom Wingfield, Martha Coleman, William Russell, Steve Rose, and Nancy Tellez. We apologize if we inadvertently omitted the names of any other picnic volunteers. Many thanks to all of you for your invaluable assistance with this event.

### VOLUNTEER TO HELP STAFF A BOOTH!

Summer is winding down, but we still have some events. We will have a booth again this year at the Rist Canyon Festival on Sunday of Labor Day Weekend. Sign up for a shift! **AND PLEASE NOTE THE SUSTAINABLE LIVING FAIR COMING UP ON THE 19TH/20TH. THIS IS A TWO-DAY EVENT SO YOU ARE NEEDED!**

To volunteer contact the Larimer Dems, 689-6391 or [ldems@frii.com](mailto:ldems@frii.com)

September 6	Rist Canyon Festival
September 7	Windsor Harvest Parade
September 19-20	Sustainable Living Fair
October 3	Berthoud Fall Festival

October 9  
October 10-11

CSU Homecoming Parade  
Harvestival at Grant Family Farms

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### **Wed, Sep 2: A PHYSICIAN'S PERSPECTIVE AND PROPOSAL FOR REFORM WITH STEVEN THORSON, MD**

What are the elements of our current system which need reform? Which proposals are most likely to create positive change? What advantages does a single payer system offer? Presenter: Steven Thorson is a family physician and co-founder of the Family Clinic of Fort Collins. He has served as the President of the Colorado Academy of Family Physicians and President of the Larimer County Medical Society and currently is a member of the Board for the Health District of N. Larimer County.

**Date & Time:** Wednesday, September 2, 7:00 - 8:45 pm

**Location:** Council Tree Library, Harmony and Ziegler Roads in Fort Collins.

**For further information** contact 224-6122

### **Thur, Sep 10: WHY DOES HEALTH CARE COST SO MUCH? WHAT SOLUTIONS REFLECT AMERICAN VALUES?**

**"Health, Money and Fear" film and discussion with Bernard Birnbaum, MD**

The producer of the film is Dr. Paul Hochfeld, a physician certified in emergency medicine who currently practices in Oregon. He interviews doctors and other health care providers for an insiders' look at reasons for the rising costs of health care. Suggestions of solutions for corralling costs, an essential element of successful health care reform, are outlined. Presenter: Bernard Birnbaum, M.D. is a family physician and faculty member at the Fort Collins Family Medicine Residency Program. Previously he worked on the Navajo Reservation in Chinle, AZ, for the Indian Health Service. Currently he is a member of the Board for the Health District of N. Larimer County.

**Date & Time:** Thursday, September 10, 7:00 - 8:45 pm

**Location:** Council Tree Library, Harmony and Ziegler Roads in Fort Collins.

**For further information** contact 224-6122

### **Sun, Sep 13: NAMAQUA FORUM: US RELATIONS WITH IRAN AND TURKEY**

The Namaqua Forum (formerly the Open Forum) fall program begins on September 13th from 7:00 to 8:30 with Dr. William Griswold, retired CSU Professor. US relations with Iran and Turkey. We've moved to the new Ferguson Hill School at 1101 Hill Top Dr, Loveland. Take Taft 2 blocks south of Eisenhower, turn west on 11th St. Free and open to the public. Sponsored by Namaqua UU Congregation.

**Date & Time:** Sunday, September 13, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

**Location:** Ferguson Hill School, 1101 Hill Top Drive, Loveland

## 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:** August Meeting: LCDP HQ, 606 S. Mason, Fort Collins

**Contact:** Anne Wilseck for more information [anneeliz73@gmail.com](mailto: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, [annewmich@comcast.net](mailto:annewmich@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:** September 5, 9:00 - 10:30 am

**Location:** Catalyst Coffee, 3501 S. Shields, Fort Collins

**Contact:** [c.j.quigley@comcast.net](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:anneeliz73@gmail.com) and [adambowen@frii.com](mailto:adambowen@frii.com). Thank you.