

Kitsap Democrat



Kitsap County Democratic Central Committee

July - September 2009

Thoughts From the Chair—Carl Olson

Health Care Overhaul Now

As the congressional debate over health care begins to heat up, we are faced with numerous options. At the end of the day, regardless of our individual positions on this critical subject, we must end up with a better system than that which currently exists. I want to take this opportunity to share my personal perspective.

While growing up, I well remember the opinions on our health care system shared by my late father. Dad often remarked that access to health care should be a “right” of citizenship. “Health care,” he would remark, “should be for people, not for profit.” It was his hope to live to see this come to pass. Unfortunately he missed that by 21 years and counting. My passion regarding this policy issue is very personal indeed.

Our 2008 Washington State Democratic Party platform embodies my father’s long held beliefs:



“Health care is a basic human right. Our government should assure, and guarantee by law, accessible and affordable health care for all.”

“We call for a comprehensive, single-payer national health care plan emphasizing prevention, primary care, and chronic disease management, using available evidence-based guidelines.”

On a personal level, I will continue to advocate for a “single-payer” system as the most effective means to overhaul a “broken” system and realize the dreams of my father. Due to

mounting public pressure, “single-payer” finally received overdue recognition on Capitol Hill during the week of June 8. The many advocates of this specific prescription must continue to push hard. At the very least, this will steer us towards a more productive compromise.

Regardless of specific opinion, we must not stand for the lies and fear mongering already coming from the other side. These “divide and conquer” strategies have been used before. We must not let them succeed this time. Stay actively connected with this critical debate and make our members of Congress aware of your health care position...repeatedly. This is a fight we can and must win!

Let me close with two quotes to give us strength:

“Many things seem impossible until they are done.”

—Nelson Mandela

“The biggest human temptation is to settle for too little.”

—Thomas Merton

Endorsed Candidates

The following candidates for nonpartisan positions have been endorsed by the Kitsap County Democrats:

Daryl Daug for Bremerton Mayor
Kathryn Quade for Poulsbo Mayor
Roger Zabinsky for Bremerton Port Commissioner, District 1
James Docter, for Bremerton Municipal Court Judge
Adam Brockus for Bremerton City Council, District 3

Carol Arends for Bremerton City Council, District 7
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Meetings and Events

July 4th—Annual Bainbridge Island July 4th celebration.

July 6 (1st Mon.)—KCDCC Board Meeting, Machinist Hall, Bremerton, 6:30 p.m.July 7 (1st Tues.)—26th LD Democrats, General Meeting, Kitsap Room, Givens Community Center, Port Orchard. 7 p.m.

July 9 (Thurs.)—Informal drop-in party for Jim Sharpe, 6 - 9 p.m., Silverdale Beach Hotel Lounge.

July 12 (Sun.)—23rd LD Democratic General Meeting, Poulsbo Firehall, 4 - 6 p.m.July 18 (Sat.)—26th LD Democrats Annual Picnic, Manchester Park, Torpedo Shelter, 11-5 p.m., \$10. Food provided.July 20 (3rd Mon.)—Kitsap Democratic General Meeting, 6 p.m. dessert & coffee; 7 p.m. meeting, Fairgrounds Events Center.Aug. 1st & 2nd—Great Peninsula Future Festival, Port Gamble. Sat. 10-6; Sun. 10-5.Aug. 3 (1st Mon.)—KCDCC Board Meeting, Machinist Hall, 6:30 p.m.Aug. 4 (1st Tues.)—26th LD Democrats, General Meeting, Kitsap Room, Givens Community Center, Port Orchard. 7 p.m.Aug. 8 (Sat.)—35th LD Democrats Annual Picnic, Waterfront Park, Allyn.*Aug. 16 (Sun.)—Kitsap County Democrats Annual Picnic and Dessert Auction, 12 Noon, Jarsted Park, Gorst.*

Aug. 18 (Tues.)—State Primary Election

Aug. 19 - 23—Kitsap County Fair

Sept. 8 (1st Tues.)—26th LD Democrats, General Meeting, Kitsap Room, Givens Community Center, Port Orchard. 6 p.m. dinner, 7 p.m. meeting.

Sept. 8?? or 14th—KCDCC Board Meeting, Machinist Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Sept. 10 (Thurs.)—23rd LD Democrats annual Salmon Dinner; Kiana Lodge. \$50 (deadline Sept. 4).Sept. 21 (3rd Mon.)—Kitsap Democratic General Meeting, 6 p.m. dessert & coffee; 7 p.m. meeting, Fairgrounds Events Center.Sept. 23 (4th Wed.)—Kitsap County Democratic Women, 11:30 lunch, 12:30 meeting; AA China Buffet, 3583 Wheaton Way, East Bremerton.

Nov. 3 (Tues.)—Election Day

Kitsap County Democrats Annual Picnic and Dessert Auction

12:00 to 3:00 p.m., Jarsted Park in Gorst

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John Gideon: 1947-2009

One of the nation's leading election integrity watchdogs, John Gideon, 62, passed away April 27. He was editor of the widely distributed "Daily Voting News" on Bradblog. With Ellen Theisen, he co-founded the election integrity Web site *VotersUnite.org*. In the early days of Black Box Voting, John played an important role by corresponding with each and every new member in our forums. He also helped assist VerifiedVoting.org when it was a fledgling organization.

John earned a reputation for painstaking accuracy. He

developed a breadth of knowledge about certification processes and all major voting machines. Yet more impressive (for some of us middle-aged folk), he had an amazing ability to remember details whenever needed.

He was respected by election officials, secretaries of state, voting rights attorneys, and the often-raucous grass roots election reform community. Gideon was consistently intellectually honest, demonstrating the ability to consider new ideas and rethink old ways, whether or not it was popular. Once he latched onto key

concepts for election transparency, he held onto them with the stubbornness and backbone required of great patriots.

I don't think we'll ever be able to match John's unique voice. I do have confidence, however, that his vast and effective communications reach developed many new voices, and that together the individuals John Gideon inspired will at least help to fill the hole we're left with in our hearts, and in our fight to regain self-government.

Bev Harris, Black Box Voting

Turning Up the Heat on Shoreline Management

Partisans are ramping up their alarmist rhetoric, but the Shoreline Management Program (SMP) Update is barely a blip on the radar for most Kitsap citizens. However, a few seem determined to rekindle the angst and paranoia that dominated debate over the Critical Areas Ordinances.

Unfortunately, framing the issues in "us versus them" terms obscures the important stake we all have in getting this right. Good shoreline management benefits us all, and we need to work together to make sure it is fair and equitable, and that we have the courage and foresight to balance short-term gains with long-term consequences.

Changes in the way we manage our shorelines will change some development practices, but other counties have been able to both improve protection for shoreline resources while allowing development on even small upland

lots. It's worth remembering that the first SMP, written 38 years ago, was prompted by a citizens initiative. People were alarmed by the disorderly development they were seeing. Then as now, people recognized that the cumulative harm is enormously costly to correct, and is in many cases irreversible. We are seeing the effects of past neglect in declining fish stocks and water quality. Puget Sound, Hood Canal and all our hidden aquifers are one connected body of water. What we do in our backyards affects them all.

SMP Update a 3-Year Process

The Kitsap County Department of Community Development has an overview of the SMP Update process on the County web site (<http://www.kitsapgov.com/dcd>). The Kitsap Board of Commissioners is required to have a final update for the Washington State Department of Ecology by

December 31, 2012. However, the timetable calls for a final draft well before then.

Public input will be an essential element and many of the issues will be controversial. Some of the trade-offs will require us to change the way we develop on Puget Sound. We need to ensure that the concerns of waterfront property owners and developers are considered and reasonable development accommodated. However, we can't continue practices that jeopardize our water quality and the health of Puget Sound. Other counties have found a way to work together the address these issues and we can too.

Gaylord Nelson once said "The economy is a wholly owned subsidiary of the environment." It's impossible to have a sustainable economy without a healthy environment. Mother Nature doesn't do bailouts.

Gene Bullock

Martha Bird and Jim Sharpe—Linda Gabriel

Most of us know by now that Martha Bird and Jim Sharpe will be moving to Tennessee. My first reaction was, “Oh, no! They can’t leave us! We need them!” I am calming down a bit, but I think we all know that their absence will leave large holes in the fabric of the 23rd Legislative District.

The work Jim has done to produce and maintain our voter data files has won election after election for us and for those we support. The children and families Martha has helped in her medical practice will miss her greatly. The two of them have made this community a better place. Besides, they are both a lot of fun! We will miss them as our friends and as our fellow Democrats.

Jim and Martha moved to Kitsap County in 1992. It only took them until 1994 to find the Kitsap County and 23rd LD Democrats, which were both a lot smaller organizations than they are today. Jim attended the 1994 County Democratic Convention, followed by the 1994 State Convention, which was held in the Richland High School Bombers’ very hot gymnasium. Jim and Martha also volunteered on some of the local campaigns in 1994, stuffing envelopes, making phone calls, raising money, etc. I got better acquainted with the two of them as we stuffed envelopes together in Helen Hoover’s living room that summer and fall.

At the 23rd LD Democrats reorganization meeting, in January of 1995, Jim was elected vice-chair. The chair, who had been the chair for some years, was someone who didn’t run phone banks, didn’t



Jim Sharpe and Martha Bird with daughter Maisie McKay at last February’s Jefferson-Jackson Dinner.

participate in doorbell efforts, didn’t stuff envelopes, didn’t make phone calls to get volunteers, and, Jim discovered when it was time to arrange the Kitsap County Democrats’ annual picnic, didn’t “do food” either. A quarterly meeting of the 23rd LD Democrats, in the summer of 1995, became a reorganization meeting, when the body requested that the chair resign, making Jim the new chair of the 23rd LD Democrats. He held that position until December 2000.

While Chair of the 23rd, Jim also ran the phone banks, edited the newsletter, sought out new members, and created and maintained a new voter data base. He got the information on voters from reading letters to editors in the local papers, from telephone surveys, from information provided by other Democrats, and from many other public sources. Data was input from each campaign’s telephone and doorbell efforts, too. Jim also went to the Auditor’s office frequently to research the public information on campaign donations, before that information was available on the internet. There had been no data kept from election to election

before 1995 - each campaign had to figure out, on their own, which voters to contact. Jim thought this was “nuts.”

Jim, as Chair of the 23rd Dems, attended the Washington State Democratic Chairs meetings, where he learned that the state had no real voter information on file. (He probably knew that before the first meeting. I’m just sayin’...) He set up the State Democratic Party data base committee, after the 1996 elections, and served on that committee for the next twelve years.

In 1997, Jim Sharpe was designated Washington State Democrat of the year, receiving his award at the annual Maggie Awards dinner in Seattle. The list of his services to the party went on long enough that people were fatigued just hearing it, let alone imagining doing all of that work themselves. I estimated at the time that he was spending about eighteen hours a day on Democratic politics.

In January of 2001, Jim chose to run for 23rd LD State Committeeman, serving four two-year terms, ending last December. He represented the 23rd Democrats

very well at the State level, not often agreeing with the leadership of the State Central Committee. Whenever the State Party wanted to mandate something that Jim knew wouldn't work as well for us as our own methods, he would find a way to get that message to the Central Committee members. He used humor, when it was appropriate, and common sense.

Jim said that the Republicans really helped to provide a lot of the data for his data base, particularly with Referendum 48, which was a property rights "takings" measure that was soundly defeated. That campaign and election provided a lot of data from donor records, letters to the editor, public meetings, etc.

In 2002, use of Jim's data base greatly helped to "bust" the County Charter measure. The data base was also used in any elections where the 23rd approved or endorsed a candidate or a position. So, school elections, fire district elections, park districts, mayor candidates (winners) Bozeman (Bremerton), Kordenowy (Bainbridge Island) and Quade (Poulsbo) were all greatly helped by using the data base to contact the right voters.

Jim advocated using a full GOTV (get out the vote) effort in every election, even primaries. This was lot easier to do when we knew who to call!

Jim worked side by side with the coordinated campaign staff sent to us during Presidential election years (and some Congressional years) by the State Democratic office, encouraging these folks to see things his (our) way and not waste our volunteer time contacting people who will

never vote for you. They arrived in Kitsap with orders from the State, but they left here smarter (in most cases) because Jim taught them well.

One of Jim's favorite stories of local politics was the time that Bob Dietz wanted to resign from the Kitsap County Democratic Central Committee Executive Board. Jim reminded him that he really couldn't resign, as he was serving ex-officio as the immediate past County Chair. As Jim repeated this story to me, he was chuckling.

With Jim's hard work, we keep on winning elections. Yes, we had great candidates and they managed to raise good amounts of money, but Jim can take credit for our many successes. In 1994, in the 23rd, Steve Hargrove (R) was elected to the legislature and Karen Schmidt (R) was reelected. Things are a lot better now, with all three seats in the 23rd and all three County Commissioners being Democrats, and Jim can take a tremendous amount of the credit for our current situation.

Remo Barr: "Jim will be sorely missed. As the immediate past chair of the 23rd LD, I treated Jim as the Executive Director. He was only a phone call away and I called often. Actually, I prefer phone over person to person conversations with Jim. Why? Not being distracted by his body language! Thank you Jim for making my four years as chair a success. The good news is you will only be a phone call away."

Leonard Forsman: "Jim Sharpe: A man who brought great political knowledge, humor and practicality to Kitsap County when we really needed some southern

sophistication!"

Tom Loushe: "The thing about him was that he went to ALL of the meetings" speaking of Jim when he first became Chair. "He went to Human Rights Council meetings – all of the public meetings!"

Helen and Hal Hoover: "We can't believe that Jim is moving to Tennessee. What would the 23rd and Kitsap County do without him? He is the one that brought the Kitsap Democrats from nothing to the viable force it is today. He is a great friend and always there. We hope he will change his mind."

Karen Molinari: "He has a gruff exterior but a kind and generous heart. He is incredibly smart and knows political strategy! We have been fortunate to have Jim help the 23rd District Democrats and I have been fortunate to know him."

Nancy Biery: "Jim is a classic and has been a good friend for over a dozen years - one of the smartest political minds around, but ornery as hell..... His most famous line ALWAYS has been to me "How much money ya got?" (and then I'll tell you how many households to mail to.....)

Both Jim and Martha have contributed so much to Kitsap County, and to the State of Washington, and they can leave knowing one thing for sure - it's a better place today than when they arrived and they both had a hand in it."

Jim has indicated that it is likely he will be attending our annual Salmon Dinner at Kiana Lodge on September 10. I hope to see all of you there, as well!

Linda

23rd LD News—Rob Gelder, Chair

The 23rd LD is busy preparing for several events over the coming months.

Along with planning for endorsements which will happen at our July 12th general meeting, we are preparing to have a presence at the 4th of July festivities on Bainbridge Island, the Futures Festival in Port Gamble August 1st and 2nd, and our Annual Salmon Dinner scheduled for Thursday, September 10th at Kiana Lodge in Poulsbo (SAVE THE DATE: special program is being planned that you won't want to miss – see the article and ad in this issue).

Many thanks go to Tom Loushe for all his hard work in planning for the 4th of July and Lillian Crawford for her tireless work on the Salmon Dinner.

As most everyone knows, the 23rd and the County will be losing great assets over the course of the summer. Jim Sharpe will be moving to Tennessee and Kathy Brown will be moving to California. As soon as the “resignations” are formalized, we'll be setting into motion the process by which to replace these two key roles on the executive board. The Vice-Chair role will



require PCO action, and the membership as a whole will fill the position being vacated by Jim.

Photo: Our May meeting featured legislative updates by Rep. Christine Rolfes, Rep. Sherry Appleton and Sen. Phil Rockefeller.

26th LD News—Mark Brown, Chair

June has been a busy month for the 26th. We held our monthly meeting on the 2nd and had an attendance of 54 individuals. Dr. Scott Lindquist of Kitsap Communicable diseases gave a presentation on flu pandemics that we found interesting and informative. I thought that it would be boring but it was anything but.

Judge Docter spoke about his re-election campaign and, after an interesting discussion on his opponent, was endorsed by the 26th unanimously.

Todd Iverson spoke about the Rally and March for Healthcare in Tacoma sponsored by Union Solidarity and the 26th LD Democrats. About 300 turned out.

Last weekend the 26 Democrats participated in the Martime Parade in Gig Harbor; along with our Legislators Senator Derek Kilmer and Representative Larry Seaquist. We had 57 loyal Democrats walking and cheering

along the parade route. We were well received by the crowd. Only one heckler and Derek immediately went over and shook his hand and asked to hear his point of view. The guy shut up immediately. Jan Angel was in attendance also. She rode in a white convertible and wore an all white business suit. She waved to the crowd like the princess of the prom. I score the parade 57 Democrats vs. one Republican car. I personally believe the only thing better than winning is winning by a lot.

The Candidate Search Committee is busy at work, and we have narrowed the field to 16 possible candidates. We are working hard to find the right candidate to get into a street fight with Jan Angel and knock her out of office.

Representative Seaquist has put together a group of teachers and concerned citizens to write

a funding and restructuring bill for a revitalized education system here in the State of Washington. It is very much like the work that Larry did on choice C for the Ferry System last session. I am sure that the people involved including me will achieve the goals set by Larry and be ready with Vitamin E for the next Legislative session.

Our next meeting is 7 p.m. July 7th at the Givens Center in Port Orchard, 1026 Sidney. The meeting will be filled with interesting presenters and rough and tumble discussion.

Our Annual Picnic is scheduled for July 18, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets are \$5, which buys lunch and the camaraderie of great Democrats. Larry and Derek will also be speaking.

Well, that's it for this month. Support the President. Let's get health care for all Americans this summer.

35th LD News—Nancy Frank, Chair

The 35th LD Eboard lost its sitting chair when Daryl Daugs resigned to devote more time to his candidacy for mayor of Bremerton. Former Vice Chair, Nancy Frank, is now serving as chair of the 35th LD.

The Eboard held its first meeting since Daryl's resignation on June 11, where our major agenda item consisted of a discussion of how our current by-laws instruct us to deal with filling the Vice Chair vacancy mid-term. In lieu of anticipated approval of our revised by-laws (a project currently underway by our by-laws committee, with an estimated completion date before our August 8th general meeting, at which time the by-laws will be submitted for approval by the organization for a vote in October), we agreed to

proceed without filling the Vice Chair's position for the near future. Meanwhile, a nominating committee will begin assessing possible candidates, with the goal of presenting the selected candidate by October, at which time our regularly scheduled general meeting will be declared an organizational meeting for the purpose of electing a new Vice Chair.

Next, we addressed the transition of our newsletter from paper to electronic, supplemented by hard copy version for those who prefer that format. The electronic version will be available in a PDF formatted attachment to an email message containing a brief "teaser" summaries of each newsletter item with a clickable link to an HTML version of the

complete item on our web site.

The issue of fundraising was last on our agenda, and we agreed that the treasurer will be instructed to compose and mail "gentle reminders" to previous members who have not paid dues for the current years. We also discussed plans for several fundraising dinners and/or barbeques over the summer.

Our next meeting will be held June 27, 2009, from 1:00 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. at the Belfair Library. Our program guest presenter will be Fred Bartlett, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Pacific Northwest Salmon Center in Belfair, an educational and research facility.

Kitsap Democratic Women—Jo Fox Burr, Chair

In August, we will be having a booth at the 2nd Annual Great Peninsula Future Festival in Port Gamble. This is a festival dedicated to learning about sustainability while providing lots of entertainment. The focus of our booth will be to show the power women have to make the world greener through their

buying habits. We will provide information on green house cleaning products, cosmetics, and clothing, mixing in a bit of politics as well.

We will not be holding any general meetings in either July or August, but we will start up again September 23rd. Generally, we hold our meetings on the 4th Wednesday

of every month – September through November and January through May. Our usually meeting place is now the AA China Buffet which is at 3583 Wheaton Way, in East Bremerton; in the same shopping center as "Pat's Cookie Jar Restaurant." We gather at 11:30 to eat and chat, and start our meeting at 12:30.

So Long From Kathy Brown

As you may know, my husband Ray and I plan to relocate to the Bay Area in California (Mountain View). We'll keep our house here and will always think of Kitsap County as our home.

It has been an honor to serve

in various roles for the Kitsap County Democrats, especially this past year during the historic presidential race. Hopefully the experience gained here will serve me well in Mountain View (a pretty liberal area!).

I will miss all of the fantastic people here who make KCDCC such a vital organization and who really make a difference!

I have enjoyed the spirit of friendship. It makes the work fun, as well.

I will keep my cell phone and email contact info, so if you're ever in the Bay Area drop me a line or give me a call.

So long for now.

Kathy Brown, Vice Chair
23rd LD Democrats

How The Economic Downturn Is Affecting Kitsap County—Jo Fox Burr and Lucy Johnson

On Saturday, May 30th, 2009, the Kitsap County Democratic Women sponsored a forum on Strategies for Surviving the Economic Downturn with Rep. Larry Seaquist's help. In addition to a presentation on the state budget and the economy by Rep. Seaquist, we had five speakers from local agencies that work with those affected by this economic downturn. They included Kathleen Hackney from Kitsap Community Resources (KCR), a multiple service nonprofit providing resources to promote self-sufficiency; Jim McKenna from WorkSource Kitsap County, a public workforce system helping with jobs and career opportunities; Stuart Walton from Washington CASH, providing training and capital to individuals with limited financial resources to help them gain self-sufficiency through small business ownership; Becky House from American Financial Solutions (AFS), a credit help service offering manageable financial solutions, including help in keeping people in their homes; and Barbara Malich from Peninsula Community Health Services (PCHS), a community based nonprofit dedicated to providing low-cost health care.

To no one's surprise, all of these agencies indicated a dramatic upturn in the number of clients they are serving. KCR indicated that 40% of those receiving energy assistance are new to their program this year and that the homeless rate has jumped from 700 to 900 in the past two years. This includes a much larger



Forum organizers Ginny Duff and Jo Fox Burr with moderator, Rep. Larry Seaquist.

number of families with children. WorkSource has seen its monthly rate of job seekers jump from 3,000 last year to 4,400 this year. Jobs are available, but most job seekers do not have the right skills for these jobs, despite a high level of education and long employment histories. In 2008 CASH helped 100 people seeking to start their own business. They have already seen that many in the first five months of this year. AFS has seen 500 to 600 people per month resorting to reverse mortgages to keep their homes. Barbara Malich of PCHS said that 80,000 Kitsap residents, one-third of our county population, are medically disenfranchised.

It was eye-opening to hear some actual statistics from such a variety of sources. While government deficits have forced safety net cuts, these agencies and others like them are being asked to carry a much heavier burden. At the same time their own fundraising efforts are being affected negatively. Despite the help these agencies offer, one person in the audience indicated

that he could not get the help he needed from any of them. He fell through the holes in the safety net as the downturn has moved up the economic scale. I am sure he is far from alone.

All of this information is important for Democrats. We are the Party that cares the most about the health and welfare of those people at the lower end of the economic scale. Aside from humanitarian concerns, the general health and welfare of our entire society is seriously affected by these people's misfortunes. To be effective in shaping the policies we support, we need to fully understand the facts of what is happening in this world. Our forum provided a lot of information in this regard.

The one good piece of news that emerged is that, as a result of the economic downturn, these agencies and others like them are working to better coordinate their efforts. Now, what they need is help, both public and private, to meet the expanding human crisis they are struggling to handle.

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Kitsap Energy Summit

Nearly 50 people attended the New Energy for Kitsap County Summit at the Silverdale Community Center on May 26, 2009. They came from diverse backgrounds and industries, including state legislature, county and city governments, education, home building and contracting, energy services business, community action agencies, nonprofits, entrepreneurs, and utilities. Discussion centered on clean energy and the opportunity to build a Kitsap-centered new energy economy.

The forum was organized by Joe and Tammy Deets of Community Energy Solutions, a



Joe Deets, Rep. Larry Seaquist, Tammy Deets, Sen. Phil Rockefeller.

Bainbridge Island nonprofit. Rep. Larry Seaquist (26th Legislative District) was moderator, assisted by Sen. Phil Rockefeller (23rd Legislative District). Panelists included Kitsap County Commissioner Charlotte Garrido and Bainbridge Island City Council Member Hilary Franz.

The forum focused on community-based energy programs and public-private partnerships. Interest was prompted by the availability of state and federal funding for community-based energy efficiency programs.

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