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## **Issue of February 26, 2008**

### **Editor's & Chair's Notes:**

#### **The Newsletter**

Some of you have noticed that the newsletter has been a little quirky lately: timing, odd fonts, lines running off the right margin, missing photos, etc. We're in the process of replacing our awkward newsletter software, but at the moment we're swamped getting ready for our Assembly & Convention. Please bear with us through the next few weeks and anticipate an improved newsletter in mid-March!

**If you liked the caucuses, you should *love* our County Assembly & Convention!** We hear that the young people who attended our caucuses found their "zoo-iness" an absolute blast! Dealing with 8,637 attendees certainly was that! The expected overflow crowd at the County Assembly & Convention will present similar challenges.

Larimer Dems are working hard to organize every inch of our Assembly & Convention. We want to do an incredible job and turn it into an opportunity to expand our base and increase our strength, because those who can turn challenges into opportunities are called "*winners*."

**We have a need for numerous office volunteers the week of March 3rd, every day from 10am-4pm. Please call the office at 689-6391 or email [ldems@frii.com](mailto:ldems@frii.com) if you can help.**

More details below.

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## **NEWS FROM LARIMER COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY:**

### **Sat, Mar. 8: LARIMER COUNTY ASSEMBLY & CONVENTION; all day**

#### **Organization**

The overflow crowd at Fossil Ridge High School on Saturday, March 8 must be well managed. Due to space limitations, ***only delegates will be allowed into the auditorium during the meeting.*** Alternates, campaign tables, food service and everything else will be in the common area, where the proceedings will be shown on a large screen. That space also is limited, and it must be used for registration, as well. If the crowd in that room exceeds the fire code, we may have to limit its size.

Registration for delegates and alternates will be by house district and then alphabetically within each house district. We plan **24 registration stations** to process everyone within 90 minutes. Your cooperation is essential. Delegates and alternates are asked to arrive knowing their house district numbers; 49 (outside of Fort Collins and Loveland), 51 (Loveland area), 52 (Fort Collins, mostly east of College), or 53 (the rest of Fort Collins). That information is listed on your Voter ID card, or you can call the County Elections Office at 498-7820.

We need a small army of trained volunteers to staff those stations and help with crowd management. **Volunteer Trainings will be held Sat, Mar. 1 at Headquarters, 606 S. Mason, Fort Collins, and Sun, Mar. 2, at Harroun home, 3321 Apple Avenue, Loveland; both at 3pm.** If you would like to help, please come.

## **Business**

The **County Convention** will select delegates to the State and Congressional District 4 Conventions supporting candidates for President.

The **County Assembly** will select delegates to the State Assembly supporting candidates for U.S. Senate and to the CD4 Assembly supporting Betsy Markey. The Assembly also will nominate candidates for County Commission, confirm elections of precinct committee persons, appoint vacancy committees, vote on resolutions, and probably more.

State House Districts 51, 52, and 53 will hold break-out meetings during the day to nominate candidates for those house districts, as will State Senate District 14 to nominate Bob Bacon. State House District 49, part of which is in Weld County, will hold a two-county meeting at 4:00 p.m.

**Location:** Fossil Ridge High School, 5400 Ziegler Rd, Fort Collins 80528

**Date & Times:** Larimer County Meeting, Saturday, March 8, Registration at 8:00 a.m., Gavel down at 9:00 a.m.

**Contact:** Irene Fortune, 613-0966, vladimir1992@hotmail.com

**House District 49 Joint Meeting:** 4:00 p.m.

**Contact:** John Bauer, 532-2669, [astonbauer@hotmail.com](mailto:astonbauer@hotmail.com)

## **JANE JEFFERSONS TO HEAR CANDIDATES FOR HD 49 & 51 & COUNTY COMMISSION**

Jane Jefferson Women's Democratic Club of Larimer County Invites You to Join Them In Welcoming Democratic Candidates for State House Districts 49 and 51, Liliias Jarding and Ken Bennett, and the Candidate for County Commissioner for District 3.

The meeting will take place on Saturday, March 1, 2008 at 8:30 AM at Dorothy's Catering, 2248 West 1st St, in Loveland. Please RSVP not later than Noon, Thursday, February 28, to [kathybatterton@q.com](mailto:kathybatterton@q.com)

Full breakfast: \$8.25; Continental Bkfst: \$5.25; Coffee/Tea only: \$2.00; Attendance only (No food): \$1.00.

## **Wed, Mar 5: BREAKFAST FORUM TO HEAR GARY WOCKNER, PhD, SPOKESPERSON FOR SAVE THE POUFRE**

The March Democratic Breakfast Forum will continue to build turnout, with an issues presentation by conservationist Gary Wockner and comments from Democratic candidates in attendance.

Gary Wockner, PhD, conservationist and spokesperson for the Save The Poudre Coalition, will present a slideshow titled, "The Dam Truth: Threats to the Poudre River and Alternatives to New Storage." The presentation, recently heard by the Democratic Business Coalition, will examine the proposed Northern Integrated Supply Project's Glade Reservoir. A resolution on the Glade Reservoir project was discussed at the Feb. 5 caucuses and will be considered at the March 8 County Assembly.

**Date & Time:** Wed, Mar. 5, 7:45 a.m.

**Location:** Columbine Café & Bakery, 802 W. Drake

**Reservations**, by Feb. 27: Anne Michaelson, [annewmich@comcast.net](mailto:annewmich@comcast.net) or 484-9621.

## **Wed, Feb. 27: HOUSE DISTRICT 51 (LOVELAND AREA) TO MEET**

This month's meeting will review our "caucus experience," introduce our new precinct committee persons, and discuss ways to support our HD51 candidate, Ken Bennett.

We also will discuss the preparations for the County Assembly & Convention on March 8. To make this a success will

require much planning and many volunteers. Please come to see what we have planned and how you can help, especially if you are a delegate or alternate. "Many hands make light work."

**Date & Time:** Wed, Feb. 27, 6:30 p.m.

**Location:** Home of Ann Harroun, 3321 Apple Ave., Loveland

**Contact:** Bob Massaro, 402-3678, massaror2001@yahoo.com

**Directions:** Ann Harroun, 461-9177, a.harroun@comcast.net

### **RESERVATIONS FOR ANNUAL DINNER WITH JIM HIGHTOWER CAN BE MADE NOW**

Our annual dinner promises to be another winner, with Jim Hightower as our keynote speaker. Hightower is a former Texas Commissioner of Agriculture, author, radio commentator, publisher of "The Hightower Lowdown" newsletter, colleague of the late Molly Ivens and Governor Ann Richards. His latest book, "Swim against the current: Even a Dead Fish Can Go With the Flow," will be available for purchase and signing at the dinner. This should be a rollicking fun evening!

**Date & Time:** Saturday, March 29, Registration 6-7 p.m., Dinner 7-10 p.m.

**Location:** Marriott Hotel, 350 Horsetooth Rd, Fort Collins

**Reservations:** Forms for making your reservations are now available on our website, [www.larimerdems.org](http://www.larimerdems.org).

**Contacts:** Ann Harroun, 461-9177, [a.harroun@comcast.net](mailto:a.harroun@comcast.net) or Nancy Tellez, 282-0492, [ntellez@frii.com](mailto:ntellez@frii.com)

Please see below requests for silent auction items and nominations for our *Volunteer of the Year* and *Lifetime Achievement* awards.

### **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR OUR ANNUAL "LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT" AND "VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR" AWARDS**

It is time to submit your nominations for this year's annual *Lifetime Achievement* and *Volunteer of the Year* awards. Please let us know who you believe deserves one of these awards and why. Suggestions: number of years of active participation in the Democratic Party, political position(s) held, elected position(s) held, special achievements, etc.. The winners will be selected by the Fundraising Events (Dinner) Committee and will be honored at our annual dinner on March 29.

Please take a few minutes to think about a local person (or couple) who has furthered the direction and reputation of our Party, and **send us your nominations by Friday, February 29.**

**Contact:** Nancy Tellez, Chair, [ntellez@frii.com](mailto:ntellez@frii.com), or mail to Nancy at 2931 Stockbury Dr, Fort Collins 80525

### **SILENT AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED FOR ANNUAL DINNER**

Larimer County Dems are adding something new and exciting to our 2008 Annual Dinner, a silent auction! Although we already have some wonderful items collected, we still need many contributions. Are you an artist? A crafter? A good cook? A gardener? We need you! Do you have a great relationship with a stylist, facialist, or massage therapist? Gift certificates make great auction items. No time? Perhaps you can contribute a bottle of wine to our "instant wine cellar" to be auctioned.

Drop them at Headquarters or call Charlotte Miller (207-1933 or 218-6141) or Joan Dooley (223-1237), and they will pick them up. . Please include value and your name.

## **SAINT PATRICK'S DAY PARADE: Sat, Mar. 15**

We *will* have an entry in the Saint Patrick's Day Parade this year. So, meet us at the intersection of Mountain Avenue and Walnut Street, Fort Collins, at 10 a.m., wearing your best green!

**Contact:** Bob Massaro, 402-3678, [massaror2001@yahoo.com](mailto:massaror2001@yahoo.com)

## **LOOKING AHEAD: WANT TO HOST NATIONAL DELEGATES IN AUGUST? -- Last Call**

Would you like an opportunity to host Democrats from other states next August? Would you like to squire visitors around our county, or sit around swapping ideas about the environment, health insurance, education, alternative energy, and other topics?

Your County Party plans to offer opportunities for **some number** of delegates to come to Larimer County immediately after the Convention to enjoy our hospitality. However, we don't have that number yet. We need your help to estimate **how many** delegates Larimer County Democrats can accommodate.

If you would like to participate in this venture, as a host and/or tour guide, or to attend our BBQ, please go to our County Party website, [www.larimerdems.org](http://www.larimerdems.org), click on Take Action, and then Delegate Survey for more information and to respond to our questionnaire. **We need your responses by Friday, February 29.** (If the website shows an earlier date, ignore it.)

**Contact:** Ann Harroun, 461-9177, [a.harroun@comcast.net](mailto:a.harroun@comcast.net)

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## **NEWS FROM THE CAMPAIGNS**

### **FORT COLLINS LEGISLATORS HOST TOWN HALL MEETING ON CSU CAMPUS**

Fort Collins residents and students are invited to join Senator Bob Bacon and Representatives Randy Fischer and John Kefalas, for an exchange of ideas about the Colorado state legislature. Community members are encouraged to share their comments, concerns, and questions, or to just come and listen.

**Date & Time:** Saturday, March 1, 10:30 AM- 12:30 noon

**Location:** Building Clark C, Room 238, CSU campus, Pitkin Street at Center Avenue, Fort Collins

### **GREEK FOOD FUNDRAISER FOR REP. JOHN KEFALAS**

Grab a little Greek at the home of City Councilwoman Lisa Poppaw to benefit the re-election campaign of House District 52 Representative John Kefalas.

An evening of Grecian high art and cuisine co-hosted by Nancy Tellez, who might be persuaded to display her knowledge of the classics by reciting *The Iliad* in the original ancient Greek while William Russell strums his lyre.

Ouzo, as well as more palatable beverages will be provided. The suggested contribution is \$52 dollars.

**Date & Time:** Fri, Mar. 14, 6-9 p.m.

**Location:** 2945 Stonehaven Dr. in SW Fort Collins

**RSVP:** Lisa at [lisamps@comcast.net](mailto:lisamps@comcast.net), Nancy at [ntellez@frii.com](mailto:ntellez@frii.com), or William at [rwjr3@msn.com](mailto:rwjr3@msn.com)

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## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

### **FREE SHOWING OF "WHEN I CAME HOME" FILM, Thurs, Feb. 28**

Come see the movie 'When I Came Home.' This film follows an Iraq War veteran with PTSD living out of his car in Brooklyn NY. It shows his struggle trying to get help from the V.A., city agencies and different veterans' organizations. The New York Magazine stated 'Fiercely moving'

**Date & Time:** Thurs, Feb. 28, 6:30 p.m.

**Location:** First Congregational United Church of Christ: 800 Lincoln Ave. Loveland (across from Safeway)

**Contact:** Bob Massaro 970-402-3678

### **THOM HARTMAN MAY BE BACK ON AM 760, SORT OF...**

AM760 has responded to our numerous phone calls and e-mails. They say they are bringing Thom Hartman back....**BUT** they plan to play his taped show between 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. He was live in the mornings.

This is not an acceptable solution. Even if you did want to listen at that time (which most people don't)...the signal after sundown is so poor most of the time that it's impossible to hear anything. We need to call or write again. [KrisOlinger@clearchannel.com](mailto:KrisOlinger@clearchannel.com) or [kristineolinger@clearchannel.com](mailto:kristineolinger@clearchannel.com). Or call Kris Olinger at 303-713-8480.

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## **SAVE THE DATES – 2008**

Fri, Feb. 29, 2008: **75<sup>th</sup> Annual JJ Dinner**, Korbel Ballroom, Colorado Convention Center

Sat, Mar. 8, 2008: **County Assembly and Convention**, Fossil Ridge HS, SE Fort Collins 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sat, Mar. 29, 2008: **Larimer Dems Annual Dinner**, Marriott Hotel, Fort Collins, **Keynote Speaker: Jim Hightower**

Thurs, April 24, 2008: **Loveland Water Issues Forum**, 7 p.m., Location TBA

Fri, May 16, 2008: **Congressional District 4 Assembly and Convention**, evening, Colorado Springs

Sat, May 17, 2008: **State Assembly and Convention**, all day, Colorado Springs

Tues, Aug. 12, 2008: **State Primary Election**

Sun, Aug. 24, 2008: **Delegate Reception**, sponsored by LCDP, 6-9 p.m., Walker Fine Art Gallery, Denver

Mon-Thu, Aug 25-28, 2008: **Democratic National Convention, Denver!!**

Fri-Sun, Aug 29-31, 2008: **Convention Delegates Invited to Larimer County**

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## **REGULAR MEETINGS**

### **Democratic Breakfast Forum; Fort Collins**

Monthly meeting: **First Wednesdays** at 7:45 a.m. Location: Columbine Cafe & Bakery, NW corner of Drake and Worthington, Fort Collins. Contact: Irma Woollen, 266-1136, [ierwoole@peoplepc.com](mailto:ierwoole@peoplepc.com)

### **Estes Park Meetup for Democracy; Estes Park**

Monthly Meeting, **first Wednesdays** at 7 p.m.. 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. Contact: John Ericson, 586-5042

### **Larimer County Jane Jefferson Democratic Club; Loveland**

Monthly Breakfast. **First Saturday** of each month, except June through August, 8:30 a.m. at 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. **Second Tuesday** of each month. 12 Noon, Guest presentation. Doors open at 11:30 to socialize and start lunch. 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.

### **Association for Responsible Development; Estes Park**

Monthly Meeting: **Second Fridays** at 8:30 a.m. Good Samaritan Village, 1902 Ptarmigan Trail, Estes Park. The Association seeks to provide leadership and direction in an effort to serve the residents of the Estes Valley who wish to preserve its mountain character. Guests are always welcome. Contact Ron Norris at 586-3600.

### **LCDP Executive Committee (all are welcome):**

Monthly Meeting: **Third Thursdays** at 6:30 social; 7 p.m. meeting. Headquarters, 606 S. Mason St., Fort Collins. Contact: Irene Fortune, Secretary, for information, [vladimir1992@hotmail.com](mailto:vladimir1992@hotmail.com)

### **HD49 Citizen Meetings with Liliias Jarding**

**Weekly meetings:** Liliias Jarding, candidate for House District 49, will be holding weekly citizen meetings around the District. These will be on Thursday evenings throughout the campaign season.

**First Thursday** of the month: **Wellington:** 7:00 pm at the T-Bar Inn, café side, 3803 West Cleveland Avenue.

**Second Thursdays: Berthoud:** 6:00 pm at the Jumping Bean coffee-house, 434 Mountain Avenue  
**Third Thursdays: Windsor:** 7:00 pm at Loodles coffeehouse, 1180 Main Street  
**Fourth Thursdays: Estes Park:** 6:00 pm at Thai Kitchen, 401 South St. Vrain Avenue

Come and share your concerns. Get to know the candidate. And feel free to bring your friends!

**Contact:** Liliias Jarding, 690-2996, [info@jarding49.com](mailto:info@jarding49.com)

## **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 (...doesn't include 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 Sundays at 5 pm for publishing by e-mail on Tuesdays 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 BOTH [a.harroun@comcast.net](mailto:a.harroun@comcast.net) and [adambowen@frii.com](mailto:adambowen@frii.com). (Sometimes one of us will be out of town.)

Thank you.

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