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NEWS FROM THE LARIMER COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Issue of March 4, 2008

Sat, Mar. 8: LARIMER COUNTY ASSEMBLY & CONVENTION; ALL DAY

Organization

Please read for changes from last week: Saturday's crowd at Fossil Ridge High School 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 ***strictly alphabetical***. We plan 24 registration stations to process everyone quickly and efficiently. Your cooperation is essential.

We need a few more volunteers. If you would like to help, please call or e-mail Irene Fortune, 613-0966, vladimir1992@hotmail.com.

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

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, annemich@comcast.net or 484-9621.

Sat, Mar. 8: OUTREACH COMMITTEE TO HOST POST-CONVENTION HAPPY HOUR

The Outreach Committee is hosting A POST- CONVENTION HAPPY HOUR, starting immediately following the County Assembly/Convention.

This Happy Hour is for EVERYONE, whether you attended the convention or not. Come and join the fun!!

Please bring hors d'oeuvres or beverage to share.

Date & Time: Saturday, March 8, approx. 5-7:30 p.m.

Location: Headquarters, 606 S. Mason

Contact: Tracy Ragsdale, splace2@juno.com

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: keen 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.

Contacts: Ann Harroun, 461-9177, a.harroun@comcast.net or Nancy Tellez, 282-0492, ntellez@frii.com

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

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS STILL WELCOME 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 9:30 a.m., wearing your best green!

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

NEWS FROM THE CAMPAIGNS

GREEK FOOD FUNDRAISER FOR REP. JOHN KEFALAS

You are invited to join City Council Member Lisa Poppaw, with co-hosts Nancy Tellez and William Russell, for a fundraiser kicking off House District 52 Representative John Kefalas' re-election campaign.

John has raised the bar with able and energetic service during his first term in the Colorado House. With your help, John will be successful in his re-election campaign and will be able to serve the people of House District 52 for two more years.

Beverages and some of John's favorite Greek appetizers will be provided. The suggested contribution is \$52.

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

Location: Home of Lisa Poppaw and Jim Schinnerer, 2945 Stonehaven Dr. in SW Fort Collins

RSVP: Lisa at lisamps@comcast.net, Nancy at ntellez@frii.com, or William at rwjr3@msn.com

COMMUNITY NEWS

SAVE THE DATES – 2008

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

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

Sun, June 8, 2008: **Ice Cream Social w/Candidates**, sponsored by Larimer County Jane Jefferson Democratic Club, Shelter #3, North Lake Park, 29th & Taft, Loveland., 2:00 to 6:00 p.m.

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

[Fri-Sun, Aug 29-31, 2008: Convention Delegates Invited to Larimer County.](#) More information:
www.larimerdems.org. Contact: Ann Harroun, 461-9177, a.harroun@comcast.net

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

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 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 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

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

CONTACT INFORMATION

LARIMER COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES (a work in progress)

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Ken Bennett for House 51		308-7499	www.KenBennettForHouse.com
People for John Kefalas (HD52) James Thompson, Campaign Manager	604 Sycamore St. Fort Collins 80521		james@kefalas2008.com
Randy Fischer for Colorado House (HD53)	3007 Moore Lane Fort Collins 80526	215-7898	randyfischer@frii.com

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COLORADO DEMOCRATIC PARTY

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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 (...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 and adambowen@frii.com. (Sometimes one of us will be out of town.)

Thank you.

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