

April 22, 2008

Editor's Note:

We are using a new application to create and send our newsletter. Please share any feedback: anneeliz73@gmail.com.

We plan to feature local candidates (one a week) in the newsletter and would like to add candidate information on our website. If you are a candidate or a campaign manager, please submit your candidate profile to: anneeliz73@gmail.com.

State Convention/Assembly

There's no new news on Colorado Democratic Party website www.ColoradoDems.org at this time. Please keep checking, though. The host committee will post details as soon as they have them.

If you want to make the trip in the BIG BUS to Colorado Springs (leave Friday 11 a.m., return Sunday 1 p.m.), please email us ASAP: ldems@frii.com

PARTY NEWS

TODAY! April 22: LETTER TO THE EDITOR TRAINING

Are you interested in writing letters to the editor? Join us to learn a simple way to write effective, values-based messages. Seating is limited, so please call Bob Massaro at 667-6139 to reserve a spot.

Date & Time: Tuesday April 22, 7:00 pm

Location: Larimer County Democratic Party SOUTH OFFICE, 218 E. Sixth Street, Loveland

Contact: Bob Massaro, 667-6139, massaror2001@yahoo.com

Sat, May 3: CANDIDATES TO ADDRESS LARIMER COUNTY JANE JEFFERSON DEMOCRATIC CLUB

Views of Northern Colorado Priorities is the topic as Randy Eubanks, Larimer County Commissioner, Roger Hoffmann, candidate for Larimer County Commissioner, and James Ross, candidate for House District 49, all address the May Janes' breakfast.

Date & Time: Saturday, May 3 at 8:30 am

Location: Dorothy's Catering, 2248 W. 1st Street, Loveland

Contact: Arlene Kramer, aakramer@earthlink.net

RSVP: Kathy Batterton, kathybatterton@q.com

Wed, May 7: DEMOCRATIC BREAKFAST FORUM

The Democratic Breakfast Forum will welcome the Udall Campaign's Political Director, Ben Davis, as the main speaker on May 7. Davis will explain the wide philosophical differences that will emerge between Congressman Mark Udall and his opponent, Bob Schaffer, in the race for the US Senate.

Newly announced HD 49 candidate, James Ross, will also address the forum.

Bring a friend and learn how you can make a difference in these two important campaigns.

Date & Time: First Wednesdays at 7:45 am

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

Contact: Irma Woollen, 266-1136, ierwoole@peoplepc.com

RSVP by April 30: Anne Michaelson, 484-9621, annewmich@comcast.net

NEWS FROM THE CAMPAIGNS

Fri, May 2: ROGER HOFFMANN FOR LARIMER COUNTY COMMISSIONER - CAMPAIGN KICKOFF OPEN HOUSE

Please join Roger Hoffmann at the home of Charlie and Susan Shilling for his campaign kickoff open house.

Date & Time: Friday, May 2, 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Where: Charlie and Susan Shilling's, 821 Langdale Drive, Fort Collins

Directions: From Shields and Harmony, go south on Shields past Community College. Take the 1st left on Clarendon Hills Dr., take 1st left on Langdale, 2nd Cul-de-sac on right.

Contact: Susan Shilling, 231-7340, sshilling2@comcast.net

Fri, May 9: RANDY FISCHER FOR COLORADO HOUSE KICK-OFF PARTY!

Randy Fischer is running for re-election! Please join Randy, his sisters Pam and Debbie, niece Erin and their families for a big Campaign Kick-off Celebration. Meet special guests Tom Sutherland, Peggy Reeves, and Kelly Ohlson.

Randy has been hard at work representing us in the House and this is your chance to thank him, volunteer for his campaign and make a donation. Enjoy food, drinks and lively conversation!

Date & Time: Friday, May 9, 4:30 - 7:30 pm

Location: Pam, Bill and Erin Grogan's Home, 3034 Clemma Ct., Ft. Collins

Directions: Take W. Drake west of Taft Hill, turn south on Pasquinal Dr., then turn west on Clemma Ct. Park on Pasquinal or on the west side of Overland Trail, south of Drake. Watch for Fischer yard signs.

Contact: RSVP to Gina Janett, 493-4677, ginacio@frii.com. Gina is also recruiting volunteers and food donations for the event.

Betsy Markey For Congress:

TODAY! April 22: EARTH DAY AT CSU

The Betsy Markey Campaign will have a table at the CSU Earth Day Celebration and Open Your Mind Fair. Come stop by the table, show your support and sign up to volunteer!

Date & Time: Tuesday, April 22, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Location: Lory Student Center Plaza

Wed. April 23 -OR- Sat. April 26: ORGANIZATIONAL PHONE CALLING MEETING/TRAINING

Our goal is to develop a team of callers large enough to easily manage the phone calling needs of the campaign over the next 7 months. We will be discussing the three different types of phone calls we make, phoning schedules, and hearing feedback from people who have already helped us out with calls. In order to accommodate everyone's schedules we will be having two meetings with the same content.

Date & Time: Wednesday, April 23 at 6:00 pm **OR** Saturday, April 26 at 10:00 am

Location: Markey for Congress HQ, 419 Canyon Ave, Suite 315, Fort Collins

RSVP: Mackenzie Tepel, Mackenzie@markeyforcongress.com. *Indicate which session you will attend.*

Contact: Nancy Bryan, 224-4349, Nancy@markeyforcongress.com or
Cheri Nichols, 484-4990, Cheri@markeyforcongress.com

Mon, April 28: COME JOIN LETTERS TO THE EDITOR WRITERS FOR BETSY
Do you like to write letters to the editor? Join us as we discuss a variety of topics that letter writers might address. Ann Molison will provide you with “tools” to help with your efforts, and we’ll cover how to write effective letters.

If you wish to be added as a member of the “letter writing for Betsy’s campaign” and attend this meeting, please contact Ann Molison. Please park under the building and take the elevator to the 3rd floor.

Date & Time: Mon, April 28, 6:45 pm

Location: Markey for Congress HQ, 419 Canyon Ave, Suite 315, Fort Collins

Please RSVP: Ann Molison, amolison@comcast.net

Wed, April 30: BETSY MARKEY MEET AND GREET IN DOWNTOWN LOVELAND

Please join Betsy Markey for a Downtown Loveland Meet and Greet on April 30th. We'll kick off at Amy's Green Dry Cleaning at 9:30 am. We will tour downtown business and finish with lunch at Cipoletti's at noon. If you know of any downtown business owners who would like Betsy to drop in please call Alan Jones at 566-1217, ajonesbroker@yahoo.com. If you would like to reserve a seat for lunch please call Jamie Grim at 221-1473, please mark your calendars for 12:00 April 30th for lunch at Cippolettis.

Date & Time: Wednesday, April 30, 9:30 am - 1:30 pm

Location: Start at Amy's Green Dry Cleaning, 550 N. Jefferson; end at Cipoletti's

Contact: Alan Jones, ajonesbroker@yahoo.com, 566-1217 if you would like Betsy to visit your business

Contact & RSVP for Lunch: Jamie (970) 221-1473 or jamie@markeyforcongress.com

Thurs, May 1: ICE CREAM SOCIAL AT THE SWEET SPOT

Join Betsy Markey for an Ice Cream Social at The Sweet Spot on Fourth Street.

Suggested donation: \$10. Your RSVP is appreciated but not required.

Date & Time: Thursday, May 1, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Location: The Sweet Spot, 210 E. Fourth Street, Loveland

Contact & RSVP: Jamie (970) 221-1473 or jamie@markeyforcongress.com

James Ross for HD 49

Read James Ross' first column in the Berthoud Recorder. James' column will be published every other week.

www.berthoudrecorder.com/?p=505

Larimer County

Fri, May 9 Deadline: OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE ON COUNTY BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

LARIMER COUNTY — Larimer County has open positions on 19 of its 30 boards and commissions, such as the Planning Commission, Open Lands Advisory Board, Environmental Advisory Board, & new Parks Advisory Board. The complete list is on the County website, www.larimer.org/boards.

The deadline to apply for an opening is May 9. Residents can apply online or pick up an application form at the nearest county office.

New board terms for residents begin in July. A short video and a question-and-answer

section answering many questions about serving on a county board are available online at www.larimer.org/boards.

Contact: Diane Tokarz in the Larimer County Commissioners Office at 498-7015 or dtorkarz@larimer.org

COMMUNITY NEWS

Sat, April 26: FT. COLLINS LEGISLATORS HOST "SPOTLIGHT ON HEALTHCARE" WITH SPECIAL GUEST: SPEAKER ANDREW ROMANOFF
Fort Collins residents are invited to join **Representative Randy Fischer, Representative John Kefalas, Senator Bob Bacon, and House Speaker Andrew Romanoff** for an exchange of ideas about health care.

Health care reform has been one of the most debated topics under the gold dome this legislative session. This will be an opportunity for community members to hear new ideas about health care reform and to explore common questions and concerns in a facilitated conversation.

Date and time: Saturday, April 26, 9:30 - 11:00 am

Location: Fort Collins Mennonite Fellowship, 300 East Oak, Fort Collins (northeast corner of Mathews and Oak)

Easy parking on Mathews and Oak, or in church parking lot on Mathews. *The building is wheelchair accessible.*

Contact: Rep. John Kefalas (720) 254-7598, Rep. Randy Fischer (970) 215-7898, Senator Bob Bacon (303) 866-4841

April Calendar: NAMAQUA UUC OPEN FORUM: Covering Global Energy and the Move to Alternatives

The Loveland Community Forum topic for April is Energy. Two speakers on two separate Sunday afternoons still to come: the discussion is the global energy situation and how we can move from the traditional source of hydrocarbons to alternative sources and developing technologies to reduce energy usage.

April 27: Hydrocarbons; Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow. Speaker to be announced. Times: Sundays at 4:30 p.m.

Location: Community of Christ Church, 7th and Washington, Loveland

Information: www.namaquauu.org

Contact: Pat McVey, 203-0649

Election Day for Health District Board is May 6

For more information on the election or to request a mail- in ballot call 224-5209 or visit www.healthdistrict.org/election

SAVE THE DATES

Fri, May 16	Congressional District 4 Assembly and Convention, evening, Colorado Springs
Sat, May 17	State Assembly and Convention, all day, Colorado Springs
Sun, June 8	Ice Cream Social w/Candidates, Sponsored by Larimer County Jane Jefferson Democratic Club, Shelter #3, North Lake Park, 29th & Taft, Loveland. 2:30-5:30 pm
Sun, Aug. 24	Delegate Reception, sponsored by LCDP, 6-9 p.m., Walker Fine Art Gallery, Denver
Mon- Thur, Aug 25- 28	Democratic National Convention, Denver!!
Fri- Sun, Aug 29- 31	Convention Delegates Invited to Larimer County. More information: www.larimerdems.org Contact: Ann Harroun, 461-9177, a.harroun@comcast.net

ELECTION CALENDAR

July 14	Last day to register for Primary Election
August 2 - 8	Early voting for Primary Election
August 5	Last day to apply for mail-in ballot for Primary Election if ballot is to be mailed to you
August 8	Last day to apply in person for mail-in ballot for primary election
August 12	Primary Election - balloting closes at 7 pm
October 6	Last day to register for General Election
October 20 - 31	Early voting for General Election
October 28	Last day to apply for mail-in ballot for General Election if ballot is to be mailed to you
October 31	Last day to apply in person for mail-in ballot for General Election

Complete document can be found at
www.lwvcolorado.org/Your%20Voice%20Your%20Vote%202008-2009.pdf

REGULAR MEETINGS

Larimer County Democratic Party Monthly Meeting (All are welcome!)

Date & Time: Third Thursday, 6:30 pm social; 7:00 pm meeting

Location: Headquarters, 606 S. Mason St., Fort Collins **May only: Estes Park Library*

Contact: Irene Fortune for more information vladimir1992@hotmail.com

Democratic Breakfast Forum

Monthly Meeting

Date & Time: First Wednesdays at 7:45 am

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

Contact: Irma Woollen, 266-1136, ierwoole@peoplepc.com

Reservations: Anne Michaelson, 484-9621, annemich@comcast.net

Estes Park Meetup for Democracy: Estes Park

Monthly Meeting

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.

Date & Time: First Wednesdays at 7:00 pm

Contact: John Ericson, 586-5042

Larimer County Jane Jefferson Democratic Club: Loveland

Monthly Breakfast

Date & Time: First Saturday of each month, except June through August, 8:30 am

Location: Dorothy's Catering, 2248 West First Street, Loveland.

Contact: Kathy Batterton at kathybatterton@q.com for reservations

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.

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Larimer County Democratic Candidates (*a work in progress*)

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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 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, adambowen@frii.com, and a.harroun@comcast.net. (Sometimes one of us will be out of town.) Thank you.