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Editor's Note:

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

Message from the Chair:

We always experience a pick-up in activity every Fall, and that's especially true this year. In addition to the school board and city council elections, this Friday we have Homecoming Parade and the after-Homecoming HMP event at Avo's. There will also be important candidate announcements from local leaders getting an early start on next year's critical elections. As usual, details are below. Enjoy Fall, and hope to see you at Homecoming and other events in the next several weeks.

****Please see updated details below for Homecoming Parade****

PARTY NEWS

Wed, Oct 7: DEMOCRATIC BREAKFAST FORUM: BOARD OF EDUCATION & LOVELAND MAYORAL CANDIDATES

With Poudre School District Board of Education and Loveland Mayoral/Council elections sneaking up on November 2, the Breakfast Forum has invited the candidates in the PSD board races, as well as the Loveland mayoral candidates, to introduce themselves and meet those attending the October 7 breakfast. Depending on availability, candidates for the Thompson School District Board of Education may also attend.

Since these elections have relatively short campaign formats, there is still time to get involved in these campaigns, if you like what you hear October 7. At minimum, these personal appearances will result in informed votes on November 2. Information on the three elections is available at www.psd.k12.co.us (Poudre School District); www.ci.loveland.co.us (City of Loveland); and www.thompson.k12.co.us (Thompson School District.)

Date & Time: Wednesday, October 7, 7:45 am

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

RSVP : Anne Michaelson, 484-9621, anne2616@comcast.net

Thurs, Oct. 8: 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, October 8, 6:00-7:30 pm

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

Contact: Martha Coleman, marthacoleman@earthlink.net

Fri, Oct 9: FUNDRAISER FOR HOUSE MAJORITY PROJECT

The House Majority Project plays an important role in creating State House victories in critical districts. This includes districts in Larimer County which we now hold and others that we WILL take in 2010! So don't miss the HMP After-Parade Party at Avo's next Friday, Oct. 9th. Former HD 53 Rep. Angie Paccione will join us to support our great legislators John Kefalas and Randy Fischer.

Date & Time: Friday, October 9, immediately after the CSU Homecoming Parade
Location: Avo's, 605 S. Mason Street, Fort Collins
For more info: LCDP, ldems@frii.com or 970-689-6391

Tue, Oct 13: DEMOCRATIC BUSINESS COALITION: *FortZED AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FortZED - RDSI*

The Larimer County Democratic Business Coalition (LCDBC) will welcome Steve Catanach, City of Fort Collins Light & Power Manager, to the October 13 Luncheon. The title of his presentation is: FortZED and the development of the FortZED- RDSI (Renewable Distributed System Integration) Project with the DOE. Be there, if you're as intrigued by all of this as I am.

Date & Time: Tuesday, October 13th, Socializing: 11:30 am, Presentation: 12:00 - 1:00 pm

Location: Community Room, basement of Home State Bank, 303 E. Mountain Ave., Ft. Collins
Parking is available on Mountain Ave. or in the Old Town parking garage one block to the west. Home State Bank requests that we do not park in their small back lot.

RSVP: M.L. Johnson, 482-4979, mjohnson@lamar.colostate.edu for reservations and to order a catered lunch (or you can bring your own lunch). For \$10 the sandwich box lunch or chef salad of your choice from Dorothy's Catering of Loveland will be waiting for you.

VOLUNTEER NEWS

Fri, Oct 9: CSU HOMECOMING PARADE

Participants MUST be in line with the float No Later Than 4 pm. Parade officials will begin merging entries at that time and there is a good chance that the float will be moving.

Floats will line up in the staging area on Oak between Sherwood and Howes. We are not in the front so we will probably be between Sherwood and Meldrum. We won't know our number until Wednesday. The float will be there by 3pm.

Remember – parking will be at a premium. Car pooling is strongly recommended. Park a vehicle at the beginning – nearby parking lot on LaPorte and Meldrum was suggested. Then walk to float staging area at Meldrum and Oak.

Don your Green jeans, Gold lame, or CSU duds and join the marchers, including our great local candidates. A limited number of seats are available on the float for non-marathon walkers. Call Julie Lechtanski at 970-412-8480 to reserve a spot.

Float decorating begins at noon at Julie's house 2500 Wyandotte Dr, Fort Collins.

****PLEASE STOP IN AT HQ by Oct. 9th to sign the release required by CSU for all parade participants.**

ELECTION INFO

2009 LARIMER COUNTY COORDINATED ELECTION

There are a number of elections in Larimer County this November:

Poudre School District School Board, Thompson Valley School Board, Loveland City Council. School board candidates must live in their area but are elected district-wide, so everyone who lives in either school district will be voting for multiple school board candidates.

These elections are all mail-ballot elections. There will be no polling places on November

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Questions regarding Voter Registration, Ballot Status and Election Results should be directed to the Larimer County Elections Division at 970-498-7820 or [Larimer County Elections](#) website.

Important dates:

Monday, October 12: First day allowed by statute for the designated election official to send mail ballot packets to eligible voters.

Friday, October 16: Last day allowed by statute for the designated election official to send mail ballot packets to eligible voters.

Tuesday, November 3 Election Day. 7:00 am to 7:00 pm *All ballots must be received by the County Clerk and Recorder no later than 7:00 p.m. Postmark dates do not count as received.*

CAMPAIGN NEWS

Thur, Oct 8: CAMPAIGN ANNOUNCEMENT: KAREN STOCKLEY RUNNING FOR HOUSE DISTRICT 49

Hi, I'm Karen Stockley. I filed the paperwork last Friday to be your candidate for Colorado State House District 49. I want to invite all the members of the Larimer County Democratic Party (and anybody else that is interested) to my formal announcements on Thursday, October 8th. I'm looking forward to running hard on the issues facing House District 49 and the rest of Colorado. I would love to have your support. I will work to earn your trust and your vote. Please contact me at karenstockley@worldnet.att.net or 970-532-7031.

Date, Times & Locations: Thursday, October 8, 11:00 am, Fickel Park, Berthoud

Thursday, October 8, 12:30 pm, Larimer County Courthouse Offices entrance, 200 W. Oak St., Fort Collins

Questions & Contact: Tim Kubik, Stockley for House 49, kubikhan@mac.com, 720-219-0268

Sun, Oct 11: BARACKFAST FOR KEFALAS

Barackfast will be this coming Sunday, October 11th. Barackfast is a hearty breakfast on the house provided by Dan Shaner, with a completely voluntary contribution jar which goes every month to a candidate, cause or charity.

Contributions for October go to John Kefalas, Colorado House District 52 Representative.

According to Dan, "John embodies in mind, spirit and action, many of the qualities each of us yearns to find in ourselves. John finds ways to bring people of 'opposing' positions together. John is one of us."

John Kefalas will be here to mingle and informally speak. If you already know John, please invite someone who doesn't. If you do know John, you know that he is a true ombudsman and advocate for people everywhere. Forward this to your friends, and if you copy me, I'll add them to the monthly distribution.

Date & Time: Sunday, October 11 10:00 am-2:00pm, anytime inbetween

Location: Dan Shaner's home: 3401 Terryridge Road, Fort Collins

No RSVP needed. Not a potluck. All contributions go to John Kefalas' re-election campaign.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Wed, Oct 7: CANDIDATE FORUM FOR PSD SCHOOL BOARD

Candidates for the Poudre School District school board election will appear at a Candidate Forum on Wednesday, October 7, 2009, at the City Council Chambers, 300 LaPorte in Fort Collins, from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. The public is invited and encouraged to submit questions in writing to the candidates. This election is for districts C, D and E. The Forum also will be shown periodically on Channel 14.

The Candidate Forum is sponsored by the League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan, political organization, which encourages informed and active participation in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

Date & Time: Wednesday, October 7, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Location: Fort Collins City Council Chambers, 300 LaPorte, Fort Collins

For more information, please call 225-8954

Thurs, Oct 8: COLORADO ENVIRONMENTAL COALITION FUNRAISER

*** Free beer, good eats, brewery tour ***

Folks will be able to learn more about CEC's work to protect Colorado's environment. Reps Kefalas and Fischer and Senator Bacon will be in attendance.

\$30 suggested donation, includes a CEC membership

When: 7 pm, Thursday, October 8

Where: New Belgium Brewery

Mon, Oct 12: HEALTH CARE RALLY AT CIVIC CENTER PARK

Join us on Columbus Day, Monday, Oct 12th for a rally at Civic Center park, next to the Larimer county building at 11am. 60 pairs of shoes will be there to represent the 60 people that die a day from no Health insurance. Also, people are going to share their health insurance denial stories.

Date & Time: Monday, October 12, 11:00 am

Location: Civic Center Park, Fort Collins

Please RSVP with Mark Evans at 970-227-4852 or Marklafordevans@gmail.com

Tue, Oct 13: MONEY DRIVEN MEDICINE: FILM AND DISCUSSION

Join Health Care for All Colorado at the Harmony Library for their fall meeting and "Money Driven Medicine" film and discussion.

Date & Time: Tuesday, October 13, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Location: Harmony Library, Shields and Harmony Roads, Fort Collins

For more information: Linda Mahan, 484-2259

Sun: Oct 11: NAMAQUA FORUM: WHERE ARE WE NOW ON THE PATH TO HEALTH CARE REFORM?

As reform legislation moves through the Congress what will it mean for Americans in terms of cost, quality and access? Which proposals will address the major problems with our current system? How can citizens engage with legislators in the decision making process? The presenter, Earl Baumgartel, M.D., practiced as a general surgeon in Loveland for 27 years. The Forum, which meets at the new Ferguson High School at 1101 Hilltop Drive, is free and open to the public. It is sponsored by the Unitarian Universalist Congregation.

www.namaquauu.org

Date & Time: Sunday, October 11, 7:00 pm. At

Location: Fergusson High School, 1101 Hilltop Dr.

Free and open to the public.ation, please call 225-8954

Sun, Sep 27: NAMAQUA FORUM: NUCLEAR WEAPONS REDUCTION

The Namaqua Forum (formerly the Open Forum) will feature Dr. Robert Lawrence on September 27 from 7:00 to 8:30. His topic will be Nuclear Weapons Reduction. We will meet at our new location: Ferguson Hill School at 1101 Hill Top Dr, Loveland. Take Taft 2 blocks south of Eisenhower, turn west on 11th St. Sponsored by UU Congregation. Refreshments served. Free and open to the public.

Date & Time: Sunday, September 27, 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: October Meeting: LCDP South Office, 505 N. Cleveland, Loveland

Contact: Anne Wilseck for more information 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, anne2616@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: October 3, 9:00 - 10:30 am

Location: Sophia's, 11th & Lincoln, Loveland

Contact: 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 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 trenary3@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 and adambowen@frii.com. Thank you.