



25th LDD Member and longtime Democrat Dixie Gatchel knows how important it is to vote! Get your ballot in by the August 1st, 8 pm deadline!

The August 7 meeting will be at 7 pm at the Puyallup Library. We will accept motions for endorsement of candidates who have not previously been endorsed for the November election. Our guest speaker will be Tim Warden-Hertz, the Tacoma Directing Attorney for Northwest Immigrant Rights Project. Tim will speak on what NWIRP does for immigrants in our community, what rights immigrants have, and give us information about the detention center in Tacoma.

Vote! Vote! Vote! Vote! Vote!

Your Primary Election Ballot is short, but every race is important to us and how our local government is run. Make sure to vote and turn in your ballot by the election deadline of Tuesday August 1st.

Of the races that appear on the August 1st Primary Election Ballot the following candidates have been endorsed by the 25th LD Democrats. Note that depending on where you live not all of these candidates will be on your ballot:

Keanan Taute – Puyallup City Council, District 2, Position 2

John McCarthy – Tacoma Port Commission, Position 1

Nathaniel Downs – Puyallup School Board, Position 1

Chairs Comment

Ed Herde

We are a little over a month away from the start of the Washington State Fair which this year runs from September 1st to September 24th. The fair runs for three weeks including four full weekends and is closed every Tuesday and the first Wednesday. The Pierce County Democrats have a booth at the fair and again this year the 25th LD Democrats are in charge of setting up, operating, and coordinating the staffing of the booth. Every year many 25th LD Democrats volunteer for a shift or two at the booth. Volunteers talk to visitors, register voters, and take donations for democratic themed buttons that are created by the 28th LD Democrats of Pierce County. Volunteers receive a one day admission and parking. Two volunteers at a time work the booth for 4 hours and you have the rest of the day or night to enjoy the fair. Occasionally Democratic candidates come by the booth to talk with fair goers who stop at the booth. To sign up for a shift at the booth contact 25th LD member and fair booth volunteer coordinator Blaine Pearman at b.pearman@comcast.net or 253-840-1516.

The 25th LD Democrats have been out in the neighborhoods this Summer talking with voters. We have not been promoting any specific candidate; we have been asking voters about issues important to them. The idea behind this is that the country, state, and local governments need more voters to come out and vote for Democrats if we are going to get more fairness back into our society. We need to tilt the scales of economic and social justice back to a level position so that everyone has a chance to live a life of opportunity and dignity. Democrats could have done better in the last election if more voters felt like their concerns were being heard. This is part of a bigger plan to hear those concerns. We have had some great volunteers canvassing in the 25th, but we need more people out there. People are much more likely to vote once they feel they are being heard. When you hear about more canvass opportunities please check your calendar and sign up to help.

The Washington State Democrats started a Resistance fund this year. Sustaining monthly donations to The Resistance pay for field and community organizers to work with volunteers in Pierce County and across the state. You can donate as little as \$3 per month. To join go to <https://wadems.ngpvanhost.com/resist>

You can make a donation to the 25th LD Democrats to become a member or to make an additional donation to help with our voter contact efforts. Go to <http://25dems.org/Anedot/Dues.php>

8-17

Minutes of the 25th Legislative District Democrats Candidate Forum and Endorsement Meeting, June 5, 2017 Held at Puyallup Public Library

Call to Order – 6:15 pm

Roll Call of Officers – Total Attendees 33

Officers in attendance: Chair-Ed Herde, Vice Chair-Rae Baghirov, State Committeeman-Jeremy Kamel, Treasurer-Bill Havens, Secretary-Denise Babineaux, Membership Officer-Joe Colombo, Sergeant at Arms-Dylan Kesler, Assist. Treasurer-Bob Koreis, Newsletter Editor-Joan Cronk

Discussion

- Fair booth sign up for Washington State Fair - volunteers needed; by Blaine Pearman

Speakers

- John Hopkins – Candidate seeking endorsement for Puyallup City Council District 1, Position 2
- John McCarthy – Candidate seeking endorsement for Port of Tacoma Commission, Position 1
- Keanan Tate – Candidate seeking endorsement for Puyallup City Council District 2, Position 2
- Nathaniel Downes – Candidate seeking endorsement Puyallup School District, Director Position 1

Actions

- 6:55 pm – Motion to not endorse any person for Puyallup City Council District 1, Position 2 until after primary - Mover, Joan Cronk; per bylaws no motion needed (same as no one making a motion to endorse). No motion was made to endorse for this position.
- 7:07 pm – Motion to endorse Keanan Tate for Puyallup City Council, District 2 Position 2 - Mover, Eric Herde – Second, Rae Baghirov
 - Motion Passed; Yes – 20, No – 0, Abstentions - 2
- 7:10 pm – Motion to endorse John McCarthy for Tacoma Port Commission, Position 1 - Mover, Nancy McGinnis – Second, Eric Herde
 - Motion Passed; Yes – 21, No – 1, Abstentions - 0
- 7:12 pm – Motion to endorse Nathaniel Downs for Puyallup School Board, Position 1 - Mover, Jeremy Kamel – Second, Kara Lanning
 - Motion Passed; Yes -14, No – 1, Abstentions – 7

Good of the Order

- Summer of Canvass; by Eric Herde

Meeting adjourned 7:15 pm

**Minutes of the 25th Legislative District Democratic Organization Member Meeting,
June 5, 2017 Held at Puyallup Public Library**

Call to Order – 7:25 pm

Officers present:

Chair-Ed Herde, Vice Chair-Rae Baghirov, State Committeeman-Jeremy Kamel,
Treasurer-Bill Havens, Secretary-Denise Babineaux, Membership Officer-Joe Colombo,
Sergeant at Arms-Dylan Kesler, Assist. Treasurer-Bob Koreis, Newsletter Editor-Joan
Cronk

Discussion

- Fair booth sign up for Washington State Fair - volunteers needed; by Blaine Pearman

Elected Official

- Lisa McClellan, Fife City Council Member, Position 6

Speaker

- Bayley Dodd, Regional Field Organizer for Planned Parenthood Votes NW
 - Debunked myths of the organization by providing facts and outlining what the organization does

Good of the Order

- Urge to call local representatives regarding fireworks allowed starting June 28 and through July 5; by Jerry Beckendorf
- Union wage stickers available for Union families; by Jeremy Kamel

Meeting adjourned – 8:23 pm

Minutes of the 25th Legislative District Democrats Candidate Forum/Endorsement Meeting and Member Meeting, July 3, 2017 Held at Puyallup Public Library

Call to Order – 7:07 pm

Roll Call of Officers – Total Attendees 26

Officers in attendance: Chair-Ed Herde, Vice Chair-Rae Baghirov, Treasurer-Bill Havens, Secretary-Denise Babineaux, Membership Officer-Joe Colombo, Sergeant at Arms-Dylan Kesler, Parliamentarian & Webster-Cliff Allo, Newsletter Editor-Joan Cronk

Speakers

- Noah Davis - Candidate seeking endorsement for Port of Tacoma Commission, Position 2
- Don Meyer - Candidate seeking endorsement for Port of Tacoma Commission, Position 4
- Kristin Ang - Candidate seeking endorsement for Port of Tacoma Commission, Position 4
- Julie Door - Candidate seeking endorsement for Puyallup City Council, District 3, Position 2

Actions

- 7:38 pm – Motion to endorse Lisa McClellan for Fife City Council, Position 6 – Mover, Eric Herde – Second, Dylan Kesler
 - Motion Passed Yes – 20, No – 0, Abstentions - 0
- 7:40 pm – Motion to endorse Dick Marzano for Port of Tacoma Commission, Position 2 – Mover, Al Rose – Second, John McGinnis
 - Motion Passed; Yes – 15, No – 0, Abstentions - 3
- 7:50 pm – Motion to endorse Don Meyer for Port of Tacoma Commission, Position 4 – Mover, John McGinnis - Second, Nancy McGinnis
 - Motion Passed: Yes – 18, No – 0, Abstentions - 1
- 7:53 pm – Motion to endorse Antonio Sablan for Franklin Pierce School Board, District 5 – Mover, Eric Herde – Second, Keanan Taute
 - Motion Passed; Yes – 20, No – 0, Abstentions - 0
- 7:56 pm – Motion to endorse Rebecca Gallogly for Franklin Pierce School Board, District 2 – Mover, Eric Herde – Second, Ed Herde
 - Motion Passed; Yes – 20, No – 0, Abstentions - 0
- 7:58 pm – Motion to endorse Julie Door for Puyallup City Council, District 3, Position 2 – Mover, Joan Cronk – Second, Bev Kunkle
 - Motion did not pass; Yes 9, No – 0, Abstentions - 11
- 8:24pm – Motion to authorize payment of 25th LD storage unit rental fee - Mover, Bill Havens – Second, John McGinnis
 - Passed

Speaker

- Keanan Tate – Candidate for Puyallup City Council District 2, Position 2
- Brian Duthie – Exploring running for Washington State House of Representatives in the 25th LD Position 2. Spoke on why he is considering running.

Discussion

- Pierce County Democrats Washington State Fair Booth, by Blaine Pearman
- Summer of Canvas in the 25th LD, by Ed Herde
 - Saturdays 10:00 am – noon; July 8th, 15th, and 29

Good of the Order

- Freedom Fair on July 4th, Joe Columbo will be volunteering in the Indivisible Booth; encourage others to come check out the booth

Meeting adjourned 8:42pm

On the following page is a data sheet about the Puyallup Planned Parenthood Clinic. It was provided by the speaker at our June General Membership Meeting, Bayley Dodd, Regional Field Organizer at Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest.



Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest

Staff contact:

Bayley Dodd, Regional Field Organizer 425.903.5356,
bayley.dodd@ppvnh.org

In 2016, the Puyallup health center:

- Saw over 6,000 patients at over 10,000 appointments (2,815 patients on Medicaid).

 - Provided 682 pap smears & 1,177 breast exams.
Additionally, of the Puyallup health center patients:

 - 85 percent are at 250% of the FPL or below
 - Making \$30,015 per year for a single individual or less
 - Making \$40,600 per year for a family of two or less
 - Making \$51,050 per year for a family of three or less
 - Making \$61,500 per year for a family of four or less

 - 52 percent are at 100% of the FPL or below
 - Making \$12,060 per year for a single individual or less
 - Making \$16,240 per year for a family of two or less
 - Making \$20,420 per year for a family of three or less

 - Making \$24,600 per year for a family of four or less
- Source for above FPL numbers: <http://familiesusa.org/product/federal-poverty-guidelines>
Services offered at Puyallup health center:
- Abortion services

- Birth control
- Emergency contraception
- General health care
- HIV testing
- Men's health care
 - Check ups
 - Colon cancer screening
 - Jock itch exam & treatment
 - Testicular cancer screening
- Pregnancy testing & services
- STD treatment, vaccines, & treatment
- Women's health care
 - Breast exams
 - Cervical cancer screening
 - Fibroids evaluation
 - Hormone replacement therapy
 - Mammogram referrals
 - Menopause/midlife testing & treatment
 - Pap tests
 - Urinary tract infection testing & treatment
 - Vaginal infection, testing & treatment

Puyallup health center Fact Sheet

**Officers 25th Legislative
District Democrats
(LDD)**

Chair:

Ed Herde
(253) 531-9067
eherde@earthlink.net

Vice-Chair

Raechelle Baghirov
(253) 380-8970
r.baghirov@gmail.com

State Committeewoman

Gina Bua
(360) 798-8685
gina.bua@gmail.com

State Committeeman

Jeremy Kamel
(253) 250-1090
jeremy.kamel@outlook.com

Treasurer

Bill Havens
(253) 535-1954
behavens@q.com

Asst. Treasurer

Bob Koreis
(360) 798-7638
robertkoreis@gmail.com

Secretary

Denise Babineaux
(253) 205-6538
denisebabs@hotmail.com

Membership Officer

Joe Colombo
(253) 307-5835
joe_colombo@hotmail.com

Sgt. At Arms

Dylan Kesler
(253)0906-5113
dkesler91@yahoo.com

Parliamentarian

Cliff Allo
(253) 208-8167
pco@cliffallo.us

Newsletter Editor

Joan Cronk
(253) 229-2450
JoanCronk@Comcast.net

Webster

Cliff Allo
(253) 208-8167
pco@cliffallo.us

PCO Chair:

Eric Herde
(253) 531-9067
ericherde@gmail.com

PCDCC EX Board *

POS 1: Turan Kayaoglu
(253) 330-7640
tkayaogl@yahoo.com

**POS 2: Karl
Mecklenburg**
(253) 678-2107
karlmecklenburg@gmail.com

POS. 3: Ashley Witzens
(480) 208-3005
ashleywit@yahoo.com

**Website for latest
information
or copies of Focus:**
www.25dems.org

**DEMOCRAT'S
CONTACT
INFORMATION**

DNC

www.democrats.org

WA. STATE DEM PARTY

www.wa-democrats.org

**PIERCE COUNTY
DEMS:**

piercecountydems.org

**25th LEG. DISTRICT
DEMOCRATS:**

25dems.org

***PCDCC Ex. Board =
Pierce County
Democratic Central
Committee Executive
Board**



IS ANYONE
OUT THERE
LISTENING?

Well you should be if you want the truth about politics by Frank Blair and Traci Kelly . Fridays at 12 noon to 1 pm on KLAY 1180AM

And if for some reason or other you miss it then go to equaltimeradio.net

Tune in or be tuned out!

To be a voting member of the 25th Legislative District Democrats you need to be up to date on your dues. To help your local Democrats spread our message you need to pay your dues. To fight for the 99% you need to pay your dues. To elect good candidates you need to pay your dues. Your dues could be the straw that breaks the camel's back.

The Annual Dues period runs from January 1st to December 31st. Use this form to pay by check, or go to <http://25dems.org/Anedot/Dues.php> to pay by credit card.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL _____

Dues: Evergreen (Includes Senior, Outside of district, Student) \$10 per member. Rainier \$25. Chair's Voice \$50. Senator's Club \$100 - Can be paid in installments. Mail this form and your dues check to: 25th LDD, P. O. Box 73594, Puyallup, WA 98374

Please encourage friends to become a member of the 25th LD Democrats.