



25th Legislative District



Democratic Focus

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MORRELL

AND WHY NOT WHEN SHE IS THE BEST OF ALL THE REST!

DEMOCRATS SWEEP INTO COMMAND OF BOTH THE US SENATE AND US HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.! THE DEMOCRATS ALSO INCREASE THEIR NUMBERS IN THE WASHINGTON STATE LEGISLATION!

MEETINGS

NOTICE: SEE PAGE 2 FOR ALL THE UPCOMING MEETINGS.



**Check out our web site, <http://25thdemocrats.org> built and hosted by Lauren Adler. You will find news and meetings and pictures.
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4 Dec Mon E-Board meets at
7 PM at Fire station 66,
9813 128th St. E., Puyallup

NOTE CHANGE OF VENUE

7 Dec Thu 25th LDD meets at
Mid County Community Cen-
ter, 10205 44th Ave E., behind
Central Ave School off 104
at 7 PM Bring a White Ele-
phant Gift worth no more than
\$5 and everyone please bring a
plate of cookies. Beverages
will be provided.

16 Dec Sat Deadline for
FOCUS items, articles, etc.

4 Jan Thu, 2007, 25 LDD
meets at Mid County Commu-
nity Center, 10205 44th Ave E.
This is our annual kickoff din-
ner to send Dawn Morrell and
Jim Kastama back to Olympia.
(See more info on page 3)

13 Jan Sat 2007, Reorganiza-
tion Meeting at 8 AM at IBEW
Hall. Also Deadline for FO-
CUS items, articles, etc.

29 Jan Mon, E-Board meets at 7
PM at Fire station 66.

1 Feb Thu 25th LDD meets.
Location to be given later.

You are invited to submit your
meetings/events to be included in
the Upcoming Events.



THANK YOU!

The 2006 Mid-Term Election has been a huge success for Democrats state wide and nationally. It is truly amazing how so many volunteers came together to help get great Democrats elected across the state and country. We are celebrating so many Democratic victories today because of volunteers like YOU who stepped up and helped this election cycle. Thanks again for always stepping up to help, never giving up hope, and being so encouraging. YOU have helped make the difference!

As the election season comes to an end, there is one job left – to make sure ALL of the democratic yard signs are cleaned up and disposed of properly. If you are out and about and see democratic yard signs that are still up, please help clean up the city and take the signs down. If you have democratic yard signs, or pick some up while you're out, you may dispose of them at the Morrell's house. We will make sure they are disposed of properly – *if no one is home, please feel free to leave the signs out on the drive way.*

The Morrell's is at - 2106 Manorwood Drive SE | Puyallup, WA 98374.

Please contact Lauren Adler at (253) 820-8843 or at AdlerLN@comcast.net with any questions or concerns about the disposal of democratic yard signs.

Thank you again for making the 2006 Mid-Term Elections a memorable one! We are sending some GREAT Democrats back to legislature, and it is sure to be an amazing 2007.

25th DISTRICT DEMOCRAT'S 2007 LEGISLATIVE KICKOFF AND REUNION	
THURSDAY, January 4, 2007	MENU
Midland-Summit Senior Center	Pasta bar, salads, dessert, coffee
10205 44th Ave S., Puyallup	\$25 per person-prepay (at the door price \$30)
Hospitality 6 PM	
Dinner 6:30 PM	
Advance reservations and prepay requested so that we may know how many to expect.	
For information call Audrey Chase (253) 531-2239 or mail in (with check) the following response form:	
NAME: _____	Phone #: _____
ADDRESS _____	
Mail to: 25th LDD, P.O.Box 372, Puyallup, WA 98371	



SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF MEETING 2 November 2006



Call To Order 7:17 PM by Audrey Chase, Chair. Meeting location: Puyallup Library.

Treasure's Report All PDC filings complete & up to date through 10-30-2006. Club Fund, Expenses: \$0.00. High-Five fund: \$231; Printing fund: \$346; total Club funds: \$2765.51. Victory fund, opening balance: \$435.93. Receipts: Harry Truman fund, \$1000.00. ILWU #23, \$700.00; ILWU Puget Sound, \$700.00. Total Victory fund: \$2835.93. Moved and seconded to accept report as submitted (without objection).

Secretary's Report Moved and seconded to accept general meeting minutes of 10/04 (without objection). Announced the receipt of Thank-You Notes from the Bristol campaign, Morrell campaign and from the Owens campaign.

E-board recommends Victory fund monies be distributed as follows:

From Victory Fund:

\$1400.00 to Bristol for the House campaign.

\$1400.00 to Morrell campaign.

Total expenditure: \$2400.00. Moved and seconded and passed: 19, 0, 0.

Elected Officials Reports

Senator Kastama rose to speak on his most recent trade mission to China. The Senator also quoted predictions for a pick up of seats in Congress, the Senate as well as in Olympia. The Senator led a moment of silence for the latest killed in action and for Laurie Thompson.

County Councilman Calvin Goings rose to offer his kudos' to the Bristol campaign for putting pressure on the Republican incumbent for legislative position #1 and for bringing awareness to the public about growth issues in the 25th LD. The Councilman also spoke on his initiatives to bring the county offices out of Tacoma to a more central location as well as an inclusion of apprenticeship programs for all county funded projects and a county employee-mentoring program targeted at reducing the drop out rate for Tacoma schools.

Candidates Reports

Jon Bristol reviewed campaign expenditures in a brief review of how donations from the 25th LDDO were expended. Jon also announced the final sign-waving schedule leading up to E-Day. Betty Ogden was recognized for her letter to the editor in the TNT in support of the Bristol campaign.

Representative Morrell rose to offer her thanks to the volunteer support she has enjoyed during the campaign. She also offered some insight into several of her campaign publications. Jim Morrell spoke briefly about election trends including the Bristol campaign.

Christy Stenberg spoke to the members about the Get Out The Vote activities planned for E-Day. She also announced a Cantwell Tour stop in Fife on Monday night.

Lee Lambert rose to announce an Education Funding event at Pierce College on 21st.

State Committee Report John Thompson and Ellen Zulauf shared information with the membership.

Old Business

December Thursday meeting will be held 12-7-06 at Summit Mid-County Community Center; White-Elephant/Holiday Party. \$5 gift or something you really want to get rid of. (We are asking for cash donations for the Food Bank at all future meetings.)

In January we will hold the Kick-Off dinner on 01-04-07 at Summit MCCC; food will consist of a Pasta Bar. Tickets prices will be \$25 per person with advance ticket purchase and \$30 per person at the door. There will not be a senior or student discount.

Carolyn reminds the members that it is never too early to pay your 2007 dues.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:33 PM.



What a great success story! Maria Cantwell campaigning with less money but more support than her opponent Mike McGavick, won by a good margin.

At the time of printing this newsletter Darcy Burner was running behind her opponent by a large margin. We are hoping for a victory with late mail in ballots.

In the US Senate the Democrats hold a slight advantage of 51 - 49. Not enough to overturn a Presidential veto but enough to wield some power and change things and head in a new direction. The Senate intends to go forward with the "Six for 06" agenda:

- To make our country safer by implementing the 9/11 commission recommendations.
- To make our economy fairer.
- To make college and health care more affordable.
- To move toward energy independence.
- To guarantee a dignified retirement.
- To do this in a fiscally sound way with civility, integrity, and bipartisanship.

Nancy Pelosi will be the first woman (and first Italian-American) to serve as Speaker of the House. Keith Ellison (D-MN) will become the first Muslim to serve in Congress. A record number of women (15) will now serve in the US Senate.

ELECTIONS 2006

There was sadness in this election when our own Jon Bristol was defeated by the incumbent. Signs were stolen and money was scarce but Jon had a good campaign run by Charley Stokes. They were everywhere waving signs and talking to people. Good luck in future endeavors Jon.

Democrats expanded their majorities in the state House (63 - 35) and in the Senate (32 - 17).

It was no surprise that the Democratic candidates fared well across the board in the general election which was the same as the primary election vote.

Seven out of the nine Amendments passed that were recommended by the Pierce County Charter Review Board.

And finally the Democrats reclaimed governor's offices giving them a majority for the first time in 12 years. They will control the governorship in 28 states. Governors don't enact national policy, but they can strengthen a party's grass roots, turn out votes for presidential contests, and cultivate future national leaders.

THE END

25th District Democratic (LDD) Membership Form -

Use this form to recruit friends and neighbors to join you in helping our Democratic party.

Name: _____ **Address:** _____

Phone: () _____ **City/Zip:** _____

Precinct: _____ **Email:** _____

:Dues: Evergreen (includes Senior, outside district, etc) \$10 per member; Rainier \$25; Chair's Voice \$50; Senators Club \$100 (can be paid in installments).

I've enclosed \$ _____ for Club Dues, \$ _____ for the Victory Fund. Please write checks dues to 25th LDD and Victory Fund Checks to 25th District Victory Fund (donations to both can be on same check).

Mail to 25th LDD, PO Box 372, Puyallup, WA 98371

FRIDAYS - 12 NOON TO 1 PM

LISTEN TO FRANK AND AUDREY ON KLAY 1180 AM

(And if for some unknown reason you miss it you can go to <http://www.liberaltopia.org> There is a link on the right hand side of the screen that says Frank and Audrey.)

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