



GRASSROOTS

The Newsletter of the
**Whatcom County
 Democratic
 Central Committee**

Membership Meeting

Thursday, November 19

7:00 – 9:00 pm Program

Norway Hall
1419 N. Forest St, Bellingham
 (between Champion & Magnolia)

All Democrats Welcome

PROGRAM:

1. **Election Re-Cap**
2. **2010 State Legislative Preview**
3. **2010 Caucus and Platform:**

Changes have made in this biennial party platform development process. We need party member input on how best to develop an updated platform that represents current and emerging party positions.

Election Night Party

Tuesday, Nov. 3, 7-10 pm
 Nona Rosa's, 113 E Magnolia St, Bham

40th LD Social

Saturday, Nov. 14, 12 noon
 Espinoza's, Sehome Village, Bham

Veteran's Pancake Feed

Wednesday, Nov. 11, 8-11 am
 VFW Hall, 625 N State, Bham

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Turning Out Our Democratic Base Is Job One

In their endorsement of McShane, Mann, Weimer and Caskey-Schreiber for County Council, the Bellingham Herald wrote: *"There hasn't been a more important local election."*

We agree. That's why this year the Whatcom Democrats are pulling out all the stops. We've raised \$22,000 and we're spending it well in order to win ALL our local elections.

Most at stake are four seats on the Whatcom County Council. Our opponents are breaking records in taking big checks from people with big agendas. Just last week McShane's opponent, Kathy Kershner, reported a \$20,000 contribution from Nick Kaiser, a wealthy investor with a long record of trying to end Emergency Medical Service in Whatcom County. Mann's opponent, Mary Beth Teigrob, took a \$10,000 check from LuAnne Van Werven, chair of the Republican party and part-owner of a local gravel strip mining company. Van Werven wants to go back to the days when she could strip mine farmland for gravel.

We're in economic hard times and we need steady, thoughtful people steering the county ship. We also face difficult growth planning decisions and we need people who are going to put the community first, so that we have working farms, clean drinking water and strong local businesses.

While they have big money, we have great candidates and YOU: people who care about this community! This week we need YOU to add your voice! Our candidates are exceptional, strong on the issues, smart, well-spoken, and they've run great campaigns. Now it's our

turn to deliver the voters. The Whatcom Democrats are committed to phoning our base and reminding them to turn their ballots back in.

Please give us two hours of your time this last week so we can remind our people to vote and win these critical elections.

CALL 647-7661 NOW to schedule a time to volunteer

We have a majority of both the County Council and the Port Commission at stake and as the Bellingham Herald said, "There hasn't been a more important local election."

Let's wake up on Wednesday, November 4th with no regrets, feeling great about winning ALL these critical elections!

Our request to you: two hours of your time.

Our promise to you: that time will be well used to deliver wins on ALL our critical local elections!

Endorsed Candidates and Ballot Measures

Initiative 1033	NO
Referendum 71	APPROVE
Port of B'ham Comm Dist 1	John Blethen
Port of B'ham Comm Dist 2	Michael McAuley
County Council Dist 1 Pos A	Dan McShane
County Council Dist 2 Pos A	Ken Mann
County Council Dist 3 Pos A	Carl Weimer
Co. Council At-Large	Laurie Caskey-Schreiber
B'ham City Council Ward 2	Gene Knutson
B'ham City Council Ward 4	Stan Snapp
B'ham City Council Ward 6 – Dual Endorsement:	
Catherine Chambers and Michael Lilliquist	
B'ham City Council At-Large	Seth Fleetwood
B'ham School District Pos. 5	Scott Stockburger
Whatcom Library Proposition 1	YES

Must be postmarked no later than November 3

Whatcom Dems Annual Holiday Party

*Celebrate '09 success
& launch a successful '2010
Join us*

**Sunday, December 6,
5 - 9 PM
Melody Hall
4071 Home Rd, Bellingham**

Ticket includes dinner, beverage,
program & dancing.
Other events: Silent Auction and
Dessert Dash

To donate auction items or desserts
call our office at 647-7661
Buy tickets on-line starting Nov 7 at
whatcomdemocrats.com

Remember to bring canned goods for
our food drive.



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
OCT.	26	27 7 pm – Drinking Liberal, Horseshoe Cafe	28 12n – City Club, Northwood Hall, Bham 7 pm – Whatcom Dems E-Board Mtg, Office.	29 5-7 pm – Louise Bjornson retirement party, Squalicum Boathouse	30	31 Halloween
NOV. 1 6 pm – MoveOn meeting, 100 E. Maple, Bham	2	3 7-10 pm –ELECTION Night Party, Nona Rosa's, 113 E Magnolia St, Bellingham	4 5 pm – Green Drinks	5	6	7
8	9 11:30 – NO Women's Club, 7-9 pm – Finance Cmte mtg, office	10 7 pm – Drinking Liberal, Horseshoe Cafe	11 8-11 am – Veterans Pancake Bkfst, VFW Hall, 625 N State, Bham	12	13	14 10 am – 42 nd LD Dems, Machinists Hall, 2064 Vista Dr. Ferndale 12n – 40 th LD Dems Lunch, Espinoza's, Sehome Village, Bham
15	16	17 1 pm – Great Decisions, 2401 Cornwall, Bham 8 pm –Young Dems, Rudy's Pizza, 1232 N. State, Bham	18	19 12n-1:30pm – Healthcare & Politics, YWCA 7 pm – Whatcom Dems Mtg, see page 1	20	21 9 am – Lynden Democrats, Homestead Farms restaurant
22	23 7-9 pm – State Healthcare Reform, County Courthouse	24 7 pm – Drinking Liberal, Horseshoe Cafe	25	26 Thanksgiving	27	28