



35th Legislative District Democrats

The Clarion Newsletter

Calendar of Upcoming events

35th General meeting:

Zoom meeting
Saturday July 11th,
1-3 pm

Agenda: Vice Chair
nomination & election

Primary Election:

Tuesday, August 4th



About the Newsletter:

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MEYERS **VOTE** **HUFFMAN**

FLIP BLUE

COLTON MYERS
FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE-D

35th LD State Representative, Position 1

DARCY HUFFMAN

35th LD State Representative, Position

There's no such thing as a vote that doesn't matter. It all matters.
— BARACK OBAMA

35th Legislative District

Support our 35th LD Dems!

Colton Myers: State Representative, Position 1



Our communities have fallen behind - harming families and businesses - because Olympia politicians care more about special interests than service. We need a new generation of leadership committed to common sense solutions. As a health policy analyst and third generation district resident, I will be a strong voice, advocating for local jobs, strong unions, and career training for military veterans and displaced workers. I will provide strategies to support traditional industries and new job creation to benefit our economy. I will ensure our communities have access to reliable broadband to provide jobs and distance learning opportunities, especially while traditional classrooms can not be opened safely because of the pandemic.

As a senior health policy analyst, I understand the importance of good healthcare for every Washingtonian. I understand how the influence of out-of-state insurance providers and pharmaceutical companies can undermine the well-being of our families. It's past time for a voice for our families, not special interests, to fight to for a quality health care system that serves all of us. I have seen how COVID 19 has exacerbated the gaps that exist in our health care delivery system. I will stand up for the health and safety of our front-line workers, and ensure everyone has good access to healthcare and good medical care coverage.

As a community member, I was proud to help coordinate our local response plan to the opioid epidemic. I have seen the array of challenges that persist here at home, and the failure in leadership, from our state elected leaders, to address those challenges.

I will fight for our fair share of housing resources, mental health investments, and support programs that get neighbors into permanent and stable housing.

As a lifelong resident of the Pacific NW, who appreciates the beauty of the surrounding Olympic National Park and the teeming oyster beds and salmon fishing that define our region, I share the concerns of all who work, play or simply appreciate our forests and water resources. Restoring the waterways and safeguarding forest health is an economic and environmental necessity. It is critical to have a state representative who believes in the science of climate change.

Our state must be a place for all people to find their place and contribute to our economy and quality of life. Our current representative has consistently voted against LGBTQ+ rights, immigrants' rights, and refuses to utter the words #BlackLivesMatter. In Olympia, I'll make sure everyone's rights are protected, that we address systemic racism and oppression, and fight to ensure our communities are safe, welcoming and supportive for all our people.

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Darcy Huffman: State Representative, Position 2

Darcy Huffman has lived in Washington most of her life. Growing up in a union home, her parents instilled in her at a young age that hard work and service to others were paramount, and she will bring these values to Olympia and the State House.

She began her 25 year banking career at the Katterbach Airfield in Ansbach Germany serving military members and their families. After returning to Washington she broadened her skills to include finance and risk management. 10-years ago she went to work as the Resource and Communications Director for a progressive Lutheran Church in Olympia. There she learned to combine her banking and management skills with her passion for helping people. She will bring her knowledge and experience in both the financial and non-profit sectors to the legislature to promote accountability, impactful spending, and putting the public first.

IMPROVING RURAL BROADBAND - Broadband should be treated like a public utility and available to everyone.

Fast and reliable internet access will enable us to attract new manufacturing jobs and support our businesses and schools that are shifting to online platforms. Internet access is no longer a luxury, it's a necessity.

ENSURING AFFORDABLE CARE - Healthcare should be affordable, accessible, and not tied to employment.

No healthcare clinic or hospital should be on the verge of financial collapse anytime, let alone during a pandemic like COVID-19. We need a healthcare system that serves patients and values doctors, nurses and other health professionals, not the bottom line.

CHAMPIONING OUR SCHOOLS - There are many educational paths to good paying jobs and fulfilling careers.

Traditional college is not for everyone. We need to work to increase access to alternative high school education, career and job training programs, and apprenticeships. These programs will help build and sustain a skilled work force preparing our community for more economic growth.

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Message to 35th LD from Congressman Derek Kilmer 6th CD Democrat:

Hello, fellow Democrats!

Let me just start off by saying **thank you** for staying involved in the midst of the pandemic. It matters that you're continuing to do the important work of our party.

People keep asking me "When do we get back to normal?" But the reality is we need a new normal that's not just focused on blocking Trump – but on advancing our Democratic values.

We as Democrats believe that – in our new normal – folks should have the protections they need so they don't have to choose between their health and their paycheck. We've passed paid leave in the House.

Our new normal should do a better job of respecting and compensating our frontline workers – whether they work in a hospital or a school, for the government or a grocery store. That's why we're fighting to increase the minimum wage and embrace equal pay for equal work. We passed that in the House.

In the old normal, we've seen Republicans persistently trying to dismantle Obamacare. Our new normal should include healthcare reform so that – in the greatest country on the planet – you don't go broke because you get sick. We should protect people with pre-existing conditions, reduce the price of prescription medications and expand Medicare. We've passed that in the House.

In our new normal, we need to protect our democracy. The elections we've seen in Georgia, Wisconsin, Kentucky, and other states during the pandemic have been disasters. The disenfranchisement that cost Stacey Abrams the governorship was a disgrace. In the House, we've passed a new voting rights act and legislation to stand up against big money and special interests.

In our new normal, we need to combat police brutality and address racial injustice. Recently, I've joined protests throughout our region where amazing groups - mostly led by young people - showed up and spoke up for justice. We did that because too many innocent Black Americans are being killed in communities around our country. In the House, we're working for real structural changes that address the systemic inequities facing Black Americans. I was proud to join my colleagues in the Congressional Black Caucus in introducing, sponsoring, and voting for the Justice in Policing Act, which would - among other things - change training standards, prevent the use of excessive force and racial bias, ensure independent investigations and prosecutions related to the use of deadly force, and stop militarizing law enforcement so protestors don't face war zone conditions.

In our new normal, let's reject Donald Trump's policies that separate immigrant children from their parents, that ban people based on their faiths, that require law-abiding families and Dreamers to live in fear of deportation. America should welcome immigrants like my mom and grandma and value diversity. We've passed protections in the House for immigrants, for women, and for the LGBTQ community.

In our new normal, let's protect our environment and take action on climate change. House Democrats passed legislation to join the rest of the world in the Paris Climate Agreement and stop Trump from drilling off our coasts.

While we can't be together right now physically, we can still be together in making sure that the failed leadership of Donald Trump is ended this November.

We can be together in supporting [Darcy Huffman](#) and [Colton Myers](#) – two terrific candidates for the legislature who need our help to ensure that they're representing us in Olympia next year.

We can be together in working to elect Democrats up and down the ballot – in every race in every place – so we can advance our Democratic values.

I'm proud to serve as your representative – and proud to consider you my partners and my friends. Let's get to work!

-Derek Kilmer

As a “military brat,” in the 60s, I remember chanting with schoolmates about Vietnam; some drafted, some conscientious objectors. I have volunteered in community for school levies, marched for equal rights, served as state delegate and PCO. This Independence Day weekend, we “social isolated” within our family bubble, musing about the social experiment that was destined to become America. We thought about the people with differing ambitions, opinions, motivations and socio-economic status who launched a revolution towards a more perfect union. The soundtrack was Hamilton and the fireworks booming overhead in the neighborhood invoked a sulfur cloud amidst the fireworks’ red glare. This melded a time of general uneasiness about the pandemic, civil discord, economic calamity, and the failure of our current government to lead, when division suits their intention. The current administration’s complicit notion of great, again caps an ideology deliberately ignorant of history, science, or truth.

The **Clarion Newsletter** is re-launched.

Editorial by Sheila Guizzetti



Kitsap Democrats

ENDORSEMENTS
APPROVALS

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Federal Office:
Derek Kilmer US Congress, WA-6

Statewide Office:
Governor: Jay Inslee
Lieutenant Governor: Denny Heck & Marko Liias (Approval)
Attorney General: Bob Ferguson
Secretary of State: Gael Tarleton
State Auditor: Pat McCarthy
State Treasurer: Mike Pelliocciotti
Superintendent of Public Instruction: Chris Reykdal
Commissioner of Public Lands: Hilary Franz
Insurance Commissioner: Mike Kreidler
WA State Supreme Court Justice Position 3: Justice Raquel Montoya-Lewis
WA State Supreme Court Justice Position 6: Justice G Helen Whitener

Countywide Office:
Kitsap County Commissioner District 1: Rob Gelder
Kitsap County Commissioner District 2: Charlotte Garrido & Stacey Smith (Approval)
Kitsap County Superior Court Position 1: Lynn Fleischbein

LD 23:
State Senator: Christine Rolfes
State Representative Position 1: Leslie Daug & Tarra Simmons (Approval)
State Representative Position 2: Drew Hansen

LD 26:
State Representative Position 1: Carrie Hesch
State Representative Position 2: Joy Stanford

LD 35: (Early Endorsement during our May 2020 meeting)
State Representative Position 1: Colton Myers
State Representative Position 2: Darcy Huffman

Virtual Candidate Forums

2020 Primary Election

All forums will be hosted on Zoom. You must pre-register to watch the events live.

July 13, 2020 6:30-8:30pm

**23rd Legislative District
House of Representatives,
Position 1**

Lou Krukar
James Beall
Leslie J. Daug
Tarra Simmons
April Ferguson

To attend, pre-register at:
<https://bit.ly/31wgx6b>



July 16, 2020 5:30-7:00pm

**26th Legislative District
House of Representatives,
Position 1**

Drew Darsow
Carrie Hesch
Jesse Young

To attend, pre-register at:
<https://bit.ly/30Miz8d>



July 15, 2020 6:30-8:30pm

**Kitsap Co. Commissioner,
District 2**

Paul Nuchims
Charlotte Garrido
Oran R. Root*
Bob Perkins
Stacey (Spencer) Smith
Marcus Carter

*Candidate was invited but declined to participate.
To attend, pre-register at:
<https://bit.ly/3eMcZAu>



July 16, 2020 7:30-9:00pm

**26th Legislative District
House of Representatives,
Position 2**

Alisha Beeler
Michelle Caldwell
Joy Stanford

To attend, pre-register at:
<https://bit.ly/3hxZl5M>



Virtual candidate forums are hosted and brought to you by



Candidate Forum:

Bremerton Chamber of Commerce Eggs & Issues Candidate
Forum Tuesday July 21, 2020 11:30 - 1:00