

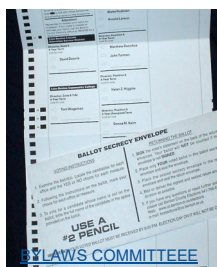
# DISTRICT NEWS

A monthly newsletter brought to you by the 44th LD Democrats

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## Top stories in this newsletter



## Editor's Notes



November 8th is around the corner, Candidate debates are winding down and ballots have been mailed. What remains is the single most important component of an Election, motivating Voters to cast their ballots.

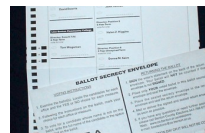
Voting shapes our Governments. The 2016 Election can have long term effects, for example, Supreme Court Appointments. Come Election Day, three of the nine Justices will be in their 80's with a fourth at the age of 78. Conceivably, these four Justices could choose retirement during the next four years. In theory these Judges are appointed to "faithfully interrupt the law". However, we've seen overtime that Political Party values do come into play with nominees. On local issues, initiatives are important.

Historically the 44th is a swing district, which has played a pivotal role in the passage or defeat of numerous ballot measures. Margins count here!

Every vote counts, by using the next few days to encourage voter engagement we can make certain all voices are heard on November 8th

Tony Shaw, Editor

## The 44th Legislative District Democrats Endorse the Following:



Hang this on your Refrigerator!

### Make Your Vote Count!

Mail or drop-off your ballot by Tuesday, November 8th.  
VOTE EARLY to reduce phone call reminders.

Drop box locations were mailed with your ballot. Use two stamps when voting by mail.

#### Ballot Measures

- Yes on Initiative 735 (Get Big Money Out of Elections!)
- Yes on Initiative 1433 (labor standards)
- Yes on Initiative 1491 (court orders about firearms)
- Yes on Initiative 1501 (protecting seniors and vulnerable individuals.)
- Maintained on Advisory Vote No. 14 / HB 2768 (Dental Insurance)
- Maintained on Advisory Vote No. 15 / 2nd ESHB 2778 (Vehicles)
- Approved on SJR 8210 (Redistricting Amendment)
- Approved on Snohomish County Charter Amendment No. 1 (Human Rights)
- Approved on Snohomish County Charter Amendment No. 2 (Public Advocate)
- Approved on Snohomish County Charter Amendment No. 3 (Nondiscrimination)
- Approved on Snohomish County Charter Amendment No. 4 (Hearing Examiner)
- Approved on Snohomish County Charter Amendment No. 5 (Council Meetings)
- Approved on Snohomish County Charter Amendment No. 6 (CEO Confirmation)
- Approved on Snohomish County Charter Amendment No. 7 (Redistricting)
- Levy Yes on City of Mill Creek Proposition No. 1 (Emergency Medical Services Levy)
- Neutral on City of Snohomish Proposition No. 1 (Fireworks Advisory Measure)
- No on City of Snohomish Proposition No. 2 (Mayor/Council Government)
- Yes on SoundTransit Proposition No. 1 (Light-Rail, Commuter-Rail, Bus Service)

#### Candidates

- Hillary Clinton and Tim Kaine for President & Vice President of the United States
- Patty Murray for United States Senator
- Suzan DelBene for United States Representative in Congressional District 1
- Rick Larsen for United States Representative in Congressional District 2
- Jay Inslee for Washington State Governor
- Cyrus Habib for Washington State Lt. Governor
- Tina Podlodowski for Washington State Secretary of State
- Pat (Patrice) McCarthy for Washington State State Auditor
- Bob Ferguson for Washington State Attorney General
- Hilary Franz for Washington State Commissioner of Public Lands
- Erin Jones or Chris Reykdal for WA State Superintendent of Public Instruction
- Mike Kreidler for Insurance Commissioner
- John Lovick for Legislative District 44 State Representative, position 1
- Katrina Ondracek for Legislative District 44 State Representative, position 2
- Hans Dunshee for Snohomish County Council District 5
- Rico Tessandore for Snohomish Superior Court Judge Position 3

## Candidate Spotlight – John Lovick



As your State Representative, John will work to fully fund schools, improve public safety and insist on the responsible management of tax dollars.

John's past experience includes, County Executive, County Sheriff, City Council Member and State Trooper. He is committed to accountability on every level of government and will insist on putting the state budget online so that taxpayers can see where every penny is spent. We need John's experience and expertise working for us in Olympia!

Here's how you can help – Call Josh Fomon, Campaign Manager at 319-530-8206. Or send him an email at [josh.fomon@gmail.com](mailto:josh.fomon@gmail.com)

- Rain or shine, you will find John canvassing in neighborhoods across the 44th. Interested in helping Get Out the Vote? Contact Josh for additional information.
- The Lovick Campaign has a robust, coordinated phone-banking effort that will run through the November 8th election. The phone-bank is fully digital, so you can elect to make calls from the campaign office, or from the comfort of your own home!
- If you prefer to stay indoors and off the phone, then administrative opportunities abound in the Lovick campaign office.

## Nominating Committee



Courtesy of Diana McGinness

Dear Members, It is time for our reorganization. The Nomination Committee is, therefore, reaching out to all members seeking nominations, including self-nominations to create a slate of candidates for election.

The entire body, PCOs and members in good standing, will vote for the position of Treasurer.

In the course of researching our current by-laws, we noted there is a conflict in the rules regarding whether or not the below positions are open to non PCO members. The current rules will NOT be the basis for the election of officers. The new by-laws as determined on December 3 will be the applicable rules. The election of officers will be held on December 8. It is the recommendation of this Committee the new by-laws include the provision that all members in good standing be allowed to run for these positions. Depending on the outcome of this revision, non-PCOs may be pulled from the final slate. Please note we have researched the Revised Code of Washington, the State and County By-Laws and contacted Attorney Todd Nichols, Chair of the State Rules Committee and confirmed there is no prohibition for members to run with the exception of our current by-laws.

Only PCOs elected in the August election will be eligible to vote for the following elected positions:

- Chair,
- 1st Vice-Chair,
- 2nd Vice-Chair,
- State Committeeman,
- State Committeewoman,
- County Committeeman and
- County Committeewoman

The Nomination Committee is asking nominations be submitted to [44thlddems@gmail.com](mailto:44thlddems@gmail.com) no later than November 18. The Committee is required to submit the slate of candidates to the EBoard on November 23 and post the slate on our website by November 24. Note, nominees need not be experts!

October 26 44th LD Executive Board Meeting 7pm, at Rick Dewitt's home

## Upcoming Events

- November 8 Election Day! Ballots must be in the mail by 8pm.
- November 10 44th LD General Meeting and Potluck 6pm.
- November 23 44th LD Executive board meeting, at Rick Dewitt's home.

See the 44th LD Web page for continual calendar updates! [www.44thdems.org](http://www.44thdems.org)