



SEPTEMBER 2025 NEWS & EVENTS

It feels like there's something new every day. As I'm writing this, a lot of people are reeling from the sudden suspension of Jimmy Kimmel's late night show because of a very straightforward political observation he expressed. Who knows what news we'll all be dealing with tomorrow?

I am here ask you do something that will make you feel better about the state of our country: come canvass with me. We have scheduled *seven* canvasses this year, all focused in Pierce County council district #1 so that we can support our candidates for the Pierce County charter review commission. These are first-time candidates who need our help. Among other things, this commission will help determine whether we continue to elect our sheriff in Pierce County (and potentially end up with someone like our current ICE-supporting sheriff) or whether the sheriff will be appointed.

We'll partner you with someone so you don't have to canvass alone! Get away from your phone and your cable news. Come out, stretch your legs, hopefully get some sunshine, chat with your canvassing partner and your neighbors. Come help us participate in democracy, one voter conversation at a time. ❤️

Sarah Edwards
Chair



31ST DISTRICT DEMOCRATS SEPT HYBRID MEETING

GUEST SPEAKERS & UPDATES:
SARA DEVELLE, POLITICAL DIRECTOR FOR REP. STRICKLAND
KATE BALDWIN - AUBURN CITY COUNCIL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

SEEKING ENDORSEMENT:
ADIB ALTALLAL - AUBURN CITY COUNCIL
CITIZENS FOR ORTING SCHOOLS - ORTING SCHOOL BOND

WED SEPT 24, 2025 — 7PM - 9PM (6:30 PM SOCIAL HOUR)
HYBRID (ZOOM) & IN-PERSON (MARION GRANGE HALL)

MEMBERS & NON-MEMBERS WELCOME
27725 SUMNER BUCKLEY HIGHWAY

Call To Meeting - September 24

You are invited to participate in our next monthly meeting, which will be held Wednesday, September 24th, at 7:00 pm ON-SITE at the Marion Grange Hall in Buckley, AND on Zoom.

We will be visited by Sara DeVelle Political Director for Rep. Marilyn Strickland, with some news about happenings in DC. Kate Baldwin, endorsed candidate for Auburn City Council, will be checking in with an update on her campaign.

In the Seeking Endorsements category category, Adib Altallal, candidate for Auburn City Council, will be speaking with us, and Citizens for Orting Schools will be here to talk about their hard work on getting a school bond passed in the Orting School District.

The questionnaires for these endorsements can be found on our website, so make sure to visit our [Seeking Endorsements](#) section and read up on them and bring your questions!

If you will be joining us virtually at the September 24 meeting, the meeting link button below will allow you to pre-register in advance or join the meeting once it is in progress. A link to the meeting's agenda is provided below and will be updated prior to the meeting.

If you're available to join us in person, we can't wait to see you at the Marion Grange Hall, 27725 Sumner Buckley Highway, in Buckley. Social hour starts at 6:30pm and meeting at 7pm. Coffee will be provided and anyone who'd like to bring a snack or baked good to share, feel free!

[Register/Join Sept 24 Meeting Zoom](#)

[Click Here to View Agenda](#)

Canvassing Event Schedule

Help us connect with neighbors, share information about our local candidates and issues, and build momentum leading up to Election Day! We'll be handing out literature to let voters know about the great candidates we're supporting this cycle. Bring your walking shoes, water bottle, a friend (or two) a smile, and your passion for making a difference.

📍Upcoming Canvass Dates:

Lakeland Hills | [9:30am Saturday, Sept 20](#)

Buckley | [9:30am Saturday, Sept 27](#)

Tehaleh | [9:30am Saturday, Oct 4](#)

Tehaleh | [1pm Saturday, Oct 11](#)

Buckley | [1pm Saturday, Oct 18](#)

Lakeland Hills | [1pm Saturday, October 25](#)

Orting | 9:30am Saturday, Nov 1

📅 Sign up today: LinkTr.ee/31dems

👤📺 Training: [How to Canvass using MiniVAN](#) - a brief training will be provided at the canvass launch. (This link goes to a video on YouTube.)

Let's knock doors, inspire voters, and win together!♥

Exploring New Meeting Locations!

The 31st LD is still considering a new location for our in-person monthly meetings. The ideal location would be available to us on the 4th Wednesday of every month between 6pm and 9pm; be easily accessible for residents of our sprawling district; have heat, A/C, and good, stable wi-fi internet connection for our hybrid meetings; and enough space to comfortably seat up to 100 attendees. Our budget for rental of meeting space is reasonable and if anyone has any suggestions or a space that they'd like to offer, please reply to this newsletter or [email our Chair, Sarah Edwards!](#)

2025 Membership - Join or Renew!

One of our most important resource streams is memberships and recurring donations, and membership definitely gives you a lot of bang for your buck! In exchange for your \$31 per year (or as low as \$5 to accommodate all types of circumstances) you get to have a vote and voice on different decisions that the 31st LD makes such as which candidates we endorse, candidates or initiatives we support with money or other resources, what types of membership projects we undertake, you get access to local and national candidates and elected officials at meetings and events, and you get to have a role in driving progressive priorities in our district! Renew your membership or join today to enjoy full membership for the remainder of the 2025 calendar year, and please help spread the word about the benefits of membership to your likeminded friends and neighbors that live in the 31st District.

Renew or Become a Member Today!

Looking for Volunteers!

The 31st District has all kinds of projects that could use your help, with a variety of different time commitments and activity levels. Interested in working together, giving back, and making a difference? Click below and let us know -- we'll help you find a volunteer opportunity that matches your schedule!

Important Links

[Our website](#)

[Find your representatives](#), including your PCO (and what precinct you are in).

[Young Democrats of Washington](#)

Seeking to "empower young people through voter registration, campaign activities,

Be a

Volunteer!

DONATIONS Make the Difference!

While dues have historically made up the majority of our budget, we are stepping up our fight to make the 31st District a truly inclusive, equitable, and welcoming place to live. Please consider helping us achieve our goals by contributing today!

Donate Now

Precinct Committee Officers Needed!

PCO's are the "boots on the ground" for the 31st District! If you are interested in volunteering to help GET OUT THE VOTE and spread the word about initiatives in your neighborhood, click below to learn more about Precinct Committee Officers and how to help!

PCO

Information

If you have info or events you'd like included in the monthly newsletter, please let us know!

Email the

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petitions, and grass-roots lobbying efforts."

[League of Women Voters Washington](#)

We envision a democracy where every person has the desire, the right, the knowledge, and the confidence to participate. Empowering voters. Defending Democracy.

[Washington State Democrats](#)

The official web resource for the Washington State Democratic party. Browse for events, elected officials, platform positions, news, and more!

[Pierce County Democrats](#)

The 31st Legislative District is interesting in that it spans two counties! For those of you residing in Pierce, here is your county party's official web resource.

[King County Democrats](#)

The 31st Legislative District is interesting in that it spans two counties! For those of you residing in King, here is your county party's official web resource.

[Washington State Legislature](#)

Everything you ever wanted to know (and more!) about our state government.

Our [Facebook](#) Group

Join us on FB for local info, events, discussion, and local calls to action, updated frequently by members of our community.

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