



Eagle County Democratic Party

June 2016 - News and Upcoming Events

Dear Eagle County Democrats and friends,

The summer political season is now underway! We have loads of events and volunteer opportunities coming up. Read on for what, where and when! Hope to see you soon - here, there or everywhere!

ColoradoCare Event Next Saturday

The Eagle, Garfield and Pitkin County Democratic Parties are pleased to be hosting the ColoradoCare campaign at the Glenwood Springs Library. Former State Senator Jeanne Nicholson will present an overview of Amendment 69, a citizen-driven ballot initiative that would ensure 100% of all Colorado residents receive comprehensive and affordable health care. By eliminating layers of bureaucracy and reducing administrative and other non-medical costs, ColoradoCare would cover all residents and cost less than the current system.



ColoradoCare

Vote Yes on Amendment 69

What: ColoradoCares - Healthcare for All Coloradans - A Presentation

When: Saturday, June 11, 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Where: Glenwood Springs Library, Glenwood Springs, CO

Eagle Flight Days Booth and Parade - Saturday, June 25

Join us for this festive annual celebration of summer in Eagle County. Help us show off our great Democratic spirit by marching in the parade with our local elected leaders and candidates. Meet Gail Schwartz, our candidate for Congress in Congressional District 3! Help staff our booth for a couple of hours. You'll register new voters, distribute literature and answer questions. It's an easy and fun way to support your local Democratic party.



EAGLE FLIGHT DAYS

Volunteers are needed to:

- 1) March in the parade (everyone's invited!) Parade lines up at 9:00 a.m. in downtown Eagle.

2) Set up our booth plus staff one or more of three shifts:

Set up: 9 a.m. - 10 a.m. (two good guys would be particularly appreciated)

First shift: 10 a.m - 1 p.m.

Second shift: 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Third shift: 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. (including tear down)

Our Flight Days volunteer coordinator is Carole Onderdonk. Email Carole for more information at conderdonk0316@gmail.com.

Vail's Fourth of July Parade

The crowds in Vail are fantastic and the energy is infectious! We want to have a YOOOGE gang of fellow Democrats marching alongside our "Show Your Democratic Spirit and VOTE" FLOAT!

We need some creative float decorators and enthusiastic marchers, expressing the Democratic support we have here in Eagle County!

Volunteers are needed to:

1) Brainstorm the VOTE FLOAT design. We'll meet sometime in the next few weeks to plan. Email Joy Harrison if you can help, at joyh@eagle Dems.org

2) Decorate at parade line up and march with us!

Line up at 8:00 a.m. Elected, Eagle Dems and volunteers meet at our designated spot on Vail Valley Road to march.

Parade runs 10:00 a.m. - 12 noon

Our Vail Parade volunteer coordinator is Joy Harrison. Email Joy for more information, at joyh@eagle Dems.org

Primary Ballots Due June 28!

Yes - we do have a primary election this month! Ballots are in the mail, headed to your mailing address as of June 6. Eagle County Democrats are united behind their slate of great candidates. Show your support for these incumbents and candidates by completing and returning the primary ballot.

[Download a copy of the composite ballot, here.](#)

Ballots are due on Election Day, Tuesday June 28, 2016. For more information on voting eligibility and all election services, visit the Eagle County Clerk and Recorder's Upcoming Elections webpage, by clicking [here](#).

Public Lands Day Bill Passed

In Vail on May 17, Governor Hickenlooper signed into law the Colorado Public Lands Day bill, making Colorado the first state in the nation to establish a day celebrating the myriad benefits of our public lands.

The bipartisan bill, sponsored by Senator Kerry Donovan, and co-sponsored in the House by Rep. Diane Mitsch Bush, designates the third Saturday in May as "Public Lands Day" to recognize the significant contributions that public lands within Colorado make to the quality of life for the citizens of Colorado.

Thank you to Senator Donovan for introducing a bill that honors the enormous public good of Colorado's shared 24 million acres of mountains, deserts, forests and grasslands.



Senator Donovan and Representative Mitsch Bush at the Vail signing of the Public Lands Bill by Gov. Hickenlooper

Welcome to our new Coordinated Campaign organizer, Nick Phalen!

Have you heard from Nick yet? If you haven't, you likely will soon. Nick Phalen is here in Eagle County laying the groundwork for Colorado's "Coordinated Campaign." That's the name for the combined efforts of our national candidates, who work together to maximize resources. Here in Eagle County, the Coordinated Campaign will be working to elect the Democratic nominee for President, reelect Senator Michael Bennet, elect Gail Schwartz to Congress for CD 3 and reelect Jared Polis to Congress for CD 2. We welcome the organizing firepower and resources of the big national contests, which are immeasurably helpful in getting out the vote for our **entire** ballot - top to bottom - next November.



Nick Phalen

Learn more about the national campaign plans and meet Nick, next Tuesday.

What: Colorado Coordinated Campaign House Party

Where: Tamra Nottingham's home at 1990 Hurd Lane in Avon

When: Tuesday, June 14 at 6:00 p.m.

RSVPs: nphalen@covictory.com

Roaring Fork Valley Events

Our new partner in local politics, the RFV Young Dems, is participating in the Strawberry Days Parade on **Saturday, June 18th** with the Garfield Dems. Email for more info to: rfv.young.dems@gmail.com

RFV Town Hall Meeting with Representative Diane Mitsch Bush & Representative Millie Hamner

Hear from our state representatives regarding what they've done during the last session at the state legislature.

Where: Basalt Public Library

When: Friday, June 17 from 3:30 - 4:30

Transportation: Free parking at the Basalt Public Library and walking distance via RFTA (Thanks to Rep. Mitsch Bush for safeguarding our public transportation funding!)

Become a Dem "GEM"

Be one of our prized GEM (Give Every Month) donors. A small monthly donation really adds up - just \$10 monthly becomes a healthy and welcome \$120 contribution by year's end. Just select the "Make it Monthly" button when you enter your payment information at Act Blue. Every dollar helps!



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