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# Demogram



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## NETTIE JUNGERS REPORTS PROGRESS AS COUNTY CLERK

Nettie Jungers, who succeeded Donna Karvia as elected Lewis County Clerk, has now completed 6 months in office. When asked recently about all that has happened during that time Nettie enthusiastically described a number of improvements to the clerk's office that she has initiated.



Every Deputy clerk now has a new computer in all 5 of the courtrooms so that they can take minutes of proceedings, receive and tag exhibits, docket information on courtroom computers, set court dates and index documents -- all while court is in session. She was able to obtain new work stations and get those courtroom computers by not filling a vacant work station.

Nettie reports that her staff is proud of their office and the favorable impression its new appearance has made on the general public.

Her workload is large and growing. The clerk's office docket, scans and files more than 55,000 documents monthly. In just six months her office has processed 496 passport applications, more than 4200 jury summons and collected \$283,399 in revenues. The entire jury processing procedure has been changed to free up space in the office.

Nettie is emphasizing service, especially for people who speak Spanish. She has filled two vacant Deputy Clerk positions, hired one Pre Trial Services Officer and one part time courthouse security officer. She now has two employees who are fluent in Spanish and whose services are used daily for assisting in her office, Superior Court judges, prosecutors and attorneys who are working with people who speak Spanish.

### In Memoriam

Jim Chapman, Winlock  
Dorothy Wagner, Centralia

## BOB GUENTHER NAMED CHAIRMAN OF THE YEAR

by Ed Smethers

When someone receives one of the prestigious awards given by the State Democratic Party, it is always nice when the recipient is surprised. Unfortunately, when our County Chair Bob Guenther was awarded the Chairman of the Year award for 1998 at the recent Maggie Awards Banquet, it was not a total surprise.

Because of a busy schedule, Bob had not planned to attend the dinner. However a call from State Chair Paul Berendt informed him he was one of the nominees for the State Chairman of the year award and urged him to attend.

His nomination was submitted by Jan Leth. A few personal phone calls on her part convinced her that enough people shared her view, that Bob was the most deserving candidate.

Besides the award, the highlight of the evening for Bob was the presentation itself. This was made by his personal friend, Congressman Brian Baird. Bob was also appreciative of the applause he received and was a little surprised by the exuberance shown by Congressman Norm Dicks who was also in attendance.

Those of us who have worked with Bob these past few years are extremely proud of him. Not only has he been a tireless worker for Lewis County Democrats, Bob has also built a rapport with our surrounding counties as well as with individual Democrats around the state. There is no one more deserving of this award.

WAY TO GO BOB!!!

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*"No business which depends for its existence on paying less than living wages to its workers has any right to continue in this country."* Franklin D. Roosevelt.

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## CHAIR'S CORNER

by **Bob Guenther**, Lewis County Chair

I would like to take this opportunity to give recognition to our Lewis County Democratic Central Committee Executive Committee members. These folks receive little recognition while spending many hours of their time working on improving the effectiveness and impact of our party in Lewis County (and they would welcome help from YOU). So in this issue of the *Demogram* I want to introduce them to you.

**Donna Karvia** is our 1st Vice Chair. She's been involved in Lewis County Democratic Party affairs for years, both as a volunteer and as an elected county official. Donna retired after 12 years as County Clerk last December 31st. While County Clerk she served as President of both the Washington State Association of County Clerks and of the Washington Association of County Officials. Donna is an untiring volunteer whose activities include membership on the Chehalis Historic Preservation Commission, Sertoma, Soroptimist, Chamber of Commerce, Lewis County Economic Development Council and as a board member of the Centralia College Foundation. Donna and her husband, John, have 3 children and 5 grandchildren. She is now employed at Jet Stream Travel. Donna is presently heading up our Precinct Committee Officer training which will be highlighted by a training program this fall.

**Ed Smethers** serves as 2nd Vice Chair. Ed's tireless efforts on behalf of the County Central Committee over the past 12 years are currently focussed on getting information to the public about Democratic values so that voters go to the polls with accurate information about our positions on issues. Ed also serves as treasurer for the 20th Legislative District. He is an active member of F.I.N. (Friends In Need), an organization that operated the Centralia Pearl Street Pool until 1994. He is Chairman of the City of Centralia Civil Service Commission and a long time member (current treasurer) of The Mayfield Lake Youth Camp Association. Ed's main hobby is raising Martha Washington geraniums.

**Mary Myhre** has been our Treasurer since 1993. Born and raised in Idaho, she has been a Washington resident since she started college at Pacific Lutheran University. She and her husband, Darrell, raise cattle on their 7 1/2 acre farm. Mary makes her living at Centralia College where she is with the Educational Talent Search, a program to help kids stay in high school and then go on to some sort of post high school educational program. She was named the

Lewis County Democrat of the Year award in 1997. Her daughter, Mary Myhre-Pancake, also an active Democrat, says her mother "is always there to help out a friend."

**Kim Patterson**, Secretary. Kim is new to our board having served for several months now. It is great to hear her new ideas for our party. One of Kim's goals is to make sure that everyone who wishes may have a Lewis County Democratic membership card. She has demonstrated that this would help us raise money to sustain our office and purchase office equipment. Kim, who manages Pantara Pet Care Center in Centralia, is a dog and cat trainer and groomer. A 5-year Navy veteran, Kim moved to Centralia in 1990. While modestly saying she knows enough "Dog German" to get by, Kim is an experienced dog show handler whose dog won Veteran Reserve Best In Show award at the Summer 1998 International All Breed Dog Show.

**Bill Ullom**, State Committee Man. Bill is one of two representatives from the Lewis County Central Committee to the State Democratic Central Committee. A WW II veteran, Bill has been a teacher of English, speech and government in Idaho, Alaska and Washington. In addition to his work with the Lewis County Democrats, Bill is a member of the Disabled American Veterans, Pe Ell Kiwanis, Chehalis, Washington and National Education Associations, the American Civil Liberties Union and the University of Washington Alumni Association. Bill has represented us very well at state meetings. He also works with our letter writing committee in keeping accurate information about Democratic positions before the voters.

**Cat Underhill**, State Committee Woman. Cat is the second of our two representatives to the State Democratic Central Committee. A very hard worker, Cat chaired our very successful auction this year and was in charge of our parade participation last summer. Cat and her husband, Pat, moved to Lewis County in 1989 and now live in Chehalis. She is a realtor with Bowers Realty Associates. Cat was active in both of Brian Baird's campaigns. She is a member of Community Dialogue of Greater Lewis County and tutors in the Centralia College Adult Literacy Program. Cat recently told me "I get excited at every fundraiser, and every meeting. It feels good to work at what you believe in."

**Bob Guenther**, Chair. Bob was born and raised in Lewis County, moved to the "big city" for a while, but moved back home. Bob is a Mechanical Foreman at the Centralia Power Plant. He's been on the Lewis County Central Committee for 10 years. Bob is a member of the Washington State Labor Council, Private Industry Council, Lewis County Economic Development Council, United

## Coming Events

Don't forget to mark your calendar for the following events coming up during the rest of the year.

- August 17-22 SWW Fair -- Democrat Booth. Come on by!
- August 26 Central Committee Meeting. Grama & Grampa's House, 340 Carlisle Ave., Onalaska. Social Hour 6 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.
- September 11 Annual Salmon Bake, Judy & Bob Guenther's home, 376 St. Rt. 508, Chehalis. Begins 1:30 p.m. 3rd Congressional District Meeting, noon.
- September 23 "Red Rogers Run to Randle." Adams-St. Helens Family Restaurant, Hwy. 12 & Cispus Rd., Randle. Social Hour 6 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.
- October 23 Annual PCO Training, Carpenters Hall, Centralia. 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Lunch provided.
- October 30 Annual Jefferson-Jackson Dinner. American Legion Hall, 111 W. Main St., Centralia.
- November No Central Committee Meeting scheduled.
- December No Central Committee Meeting scheduled.
- December No Central Committee Meeting scheduled. Christmas "Commentary Party" date to be announced.



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**MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

Now is your opportunity to join and support the Lewis County Democratic Central Committee efforts to promote Democratic principles and elect Democrats to public office by becoming a dues paying member. Please complete and return this membership application to the Lewis County Democrats headquarters at 417 N. Pearl St., Centralia 98531, or bring it with you along with your contribution to the next meeting.

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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## DAVE CHAPPELL RECEIVES CHRISTA McAULIFFE AWARD

In May former 20th District Representative Dave Chappell (D) was named winner of the prestigious Christa McAuliffe Award. The award, named for the first teacher and private citizen selected to space program (and who was killed in the 1986 Challenger space shuttle explosion), recognizes five public school teachers from each of the state's congressional districts.

Chappell teaches at W.F. High School in Chehalis. He received a \$2,500 grant for classroom enhancement. Chappell was nominated for the award by Greg Kirsch, Chehalis superintendent of schools.

Chappell told writers for The Chronicle that his philosophy rests on the idea that the educational process doesn't always occur in the classroom.

**Congratulations Dave!**

### Catherine Underhill

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## ANNUAL SALMON BAKE SET FOR SEPTEMBER 11th

Bob and Judy Guenther will again host the Lewis County Democrats Annual Salmon Bake at their home (376 State Rt. 508, Chehalis) on September 11, 1999. The food will be served beginning at 1:30 p.m. A meeting of the 3rd Congressional District will begin at 12:00 noon.

As usual, this all you can eat and drink fest promises fresh salmon steaks, beef steaks, corn on the cob, fresh salads, desserts, good fellowship and an opportunity to meet Democratic leaders from across the state. Don't forget to invite your friends. This is a great chance to introduce more people to the Lewis County Democrats!

The cost is modest, too. Just \$20 per person for adults and \$15 per person aged 12 - 18. Under 12 eat free.

Please call the Lewis County Democrats office, (360) 330-5006 to let us know you are coming. We want to make sure we catch enough salmon for everyone who wants to come.

## 20th LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT MEETS SECOND MONDAY

The 20th Legislative District meets every second Monday at the King Solomon restaurant in Centralia. Social hour and dinner begin at 6:00 p.m. with the meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m. This year's 20th District officers are Sheldon Krieg, Chair; Ellen Brock, 1st Vice Chair; Bill Ullom, 2nd Vice Chair; Jeff Cash, Past Chair; Donna Karvia, Secretary; Ed Smethers, Treasurer; Gary Odegaard, State Committee Man; and Eileen Bristow, State Committee Woman. Sheldon Krieg invites everyone to participate. His telephone number is (360) 273-8287.

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As we gear up for the next election cycle I hope that we can count on all of you to help in your own way. We made major gains in electing Brian Baird and Nettie Jungers. We need to capture more county offices, too. If all of us would contribute we will make a difference in the Lewis County political arena.

Thanks, Bob

## YOUR CONGRESSMAN REPORTS

by Brian Baird  
U.S. Congress, 3rd Dist., Washington

Greetings! I am writing to extend a big hello to all my friends and supporters in Lewis County! In the past six months since I took office we've had many great successes. I've been busy traveling the district and have hosted several Town Hall Meetings in each county. The Town Hall Meetings are the best way that I can meet with people, hear your concerns, and take them back to the "other Washington" and work for the people of the 3rd District.

Let me tell you about just a few of the things we're doing on your behalf:

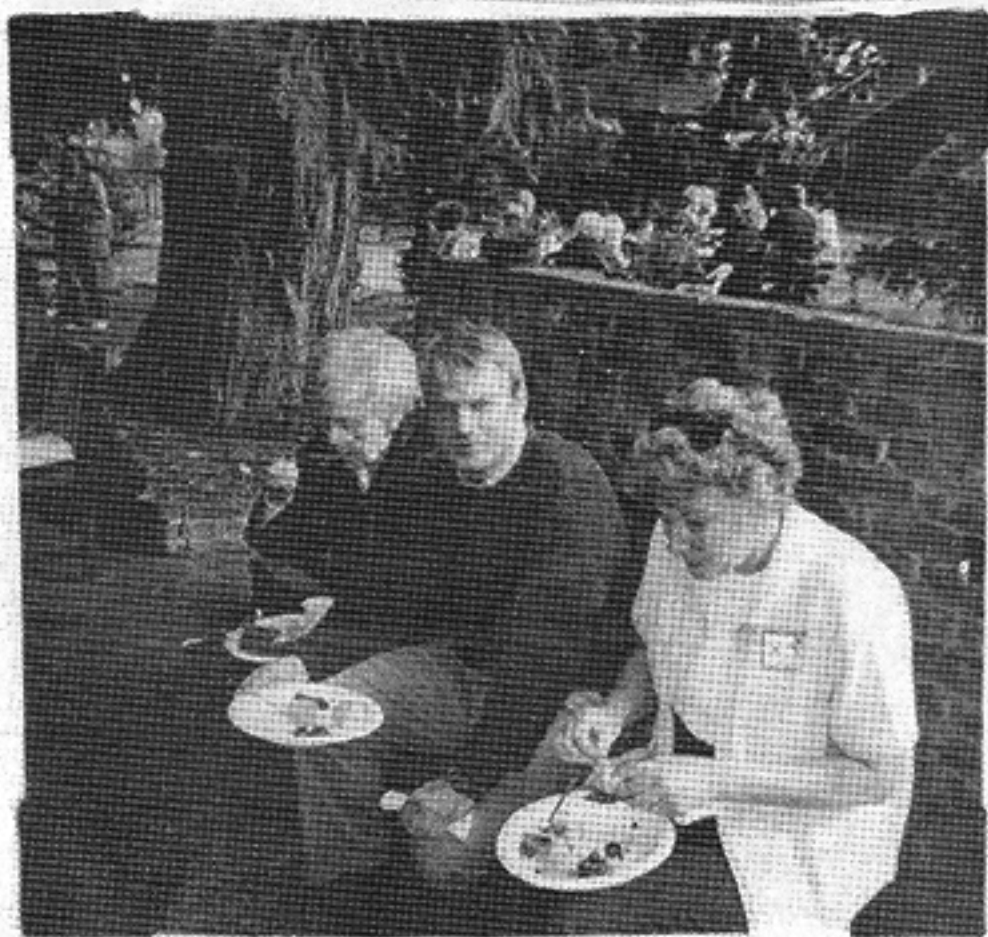
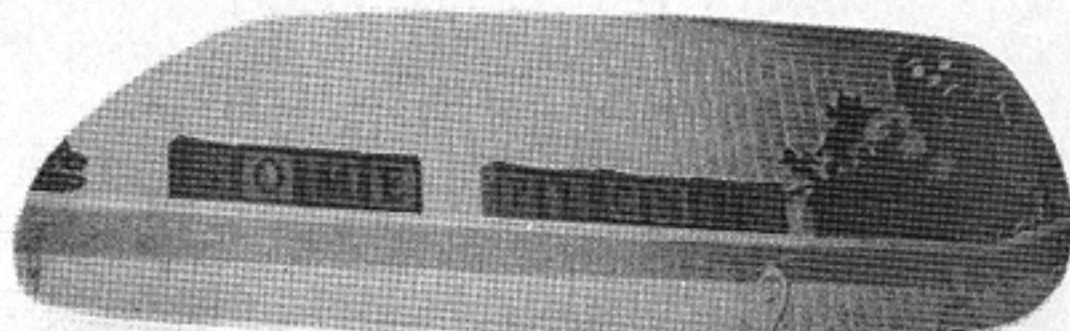
- We worked with the Forest Service to open the snow-covered roads leading to Mt. St. Helens, which increased access to the East Lewis County communities whose businesses are dependent on tourism.
- Along with U.S. Senator Slade Gorton, I introduced legislation that addresses the issues regarding the Shoalwater Bay Indian tribe's application for trust land status in Ridgefield, WA, and made progress toward finding a solution that works for both the tribe and the community.
- We are convening Rural Health Care Forums across the 3rd District to address special needs of rural communities in regards to access and quality of their health care.
- I am leading the drive to require the House of Representatives to take action this year on the Patients Bill of Rights, ensuring a fair discussion of this important legislation.

And those are just a few of the things we're doing in Congress. We've also been busy on the campaign side. I have two staffers in my Vancouver campaign office -- Megan Sather and Karin LaBelle -- who are committed to helping my campaign stay on course and be prepared for another tough battle in the fall of 2000! You can reach them by calling (360) 696-1993. While I don't have a

declared opponent yet, we are already another top-target nationally, and can expect the opposition to weigh in with help and unlimited funds to try to beat us again.

We won't let that happen! We're maintaining the campaign office for just that reason -- so we'll stay organized, active and ready for next year. Thanks to everyone who's already helped this year.

We're on the right track. Thanks for standing by my side! Please feel free to call on me or my staff at any time.



**"SOME PICNIC"  
BAIRD FUNDRAISER NETS \$\$\$\$**

On July 24th Cat and Pat Underhill and Deanna and Lew Zieske hosted an old fashioned picnic at the Zieske's Chehalis home to raise funds for the reelection campaign of Congressman Brian Baird. Seventy people attended the picnic where they enjoyed baked chicken, potato salad, desserts and a marvelous time with the Congressman. The guests also got to enjoy the unique turn of the century round carriage house on the Zieske property -- a one of a kind structure in this state and one of only a handful still standing in the country.

Susan Lamoreaux, Cat and Deanna planned the event that raised over \$2,300 for Brian's campaign.

## PRECINCT COMMITTEE OFFICERS

The following is a list of Lewis County Precincts with the name, address and phone number of the Precinct Committee Officer representing each district on the Lewis County Democratic Central Committee. The people elected to these positions play a vital role in the success of the Lewis County Democrats both at election time and throughout the year. Please get to know your PCO, and offer to help that person get the word out about Democratic Party issues and candidates.

<u>Precinct</u>	<u>Precinct Committee Officer</u>	<u>Phone</u>
Adna	Jeff Cash, 139 Bridle Path Ln., Chehalis	748-9518
Agate	Dorothy L. Smith, 641 Lucas Crk. Rd., Chehalis	262-3357
Berwick	Eugene Butler, 196 Taylor Rd., Chehalis	748-9658
Big Bottom	Alfred McEachin, P.O. Box 237, Packwood	494-6405
Cinebar	Doug Hayden, 198 Archer Do., Cinebar	985-7115
Emery	Pat Underhill, 1517 St. Hwy. 603, Chehalis	262-0405
Evaline	Mildred Dunham, 379 Avery Rd., Winlock	262-3786
Fords Prairie	Gary M. Odegaard, 3415 Ives Rd., Centralia	736-2260
Forest	Judy Guenther, 376 St. Rt. 508, Chehalis	262-3484
Jackson	Robert L. Pinkerton, 873 Koontz Rd., Chehalis	262-9425
Lincoln Creek	Lou Morales, 197 Union Ave., Centralia	330-9010
Mauermann	Patricia Helm, 5114 St. Rt. 6, Chehalis	291-3920
Meskill	Susan Lamoreaux, 720 Ceres Hill Rd., Chehalis	245-3269
Newaukum	M. Roger Gestrine, 213 Galaxie Rd., Chehalis	748-0442
Prescott	A.M. "Nettie" Jungers, 580 Rhoades Rd., Winlock	785-3600
Randle East	Almanza H. "Red" Rogers, 733 Silverbrook Rd., Randle	497-2911
Salmon Creek	Arland D. Lyons, 116 Mandy Rd., Toledo	864-6279
Seminar Hill	Merle Jean Bates, 1878 Little Hanaford Rd., Centralia	736-5611
Skookumchuck	Betty Germeau, 811 W. Carson St., Centralia	736-5779
Veness	Michaelle C. Fries, 149 Fries Rd., Winlock	785-3982
Verndale	Norma J. Boren, 193 Anderson Rd., Glenoma	498-5480
View Ridge	Anthony Ray Kesler, 119-A Peterson Rd., Chehalis	740-7168
Centralia #3	Brian S. Dow, 817 E Street, Centralia	736-9579
Centralia #4	Sam Martin, 213 Harrison Ave., Centralia	736-6576
Centralia #6	Philip Meany, 414 W. Pear St., Centralia	736-6549
Centralia #7	Lindell R. Sowers, 1013 Elm St., Centralia	736-6100
Centralia #9	Leonard D.A.T.A. Strand, 1335 Central Blvd., Centralia	736-0976
Centralia #10	Edward G. Smethers, 1516 Sunset Way, Centralia	736-6486
Centralia #11	Leslie T. Cleary, 2225 N. Tower Ave., Centralia	736-5415
Centralia #12	John McEwen, 810 Landing Way, Centralia	807-9127
Centralia #13	Jan Leth, 2603 Borst Ave., Centralia	736-5610
Chehalis #1	Mary Myhre-Pancake, 580 N.E. Adams, Chehalis	740-0851
Chehalis #2	Deanna M. Zieske, 647 N.W. St. Helens Ave., Chehalis	748-1444
Chehalis #3	Larry J. Cook, 445 S.E. Washington, Chehalis	748-6322
Chehalis #5	Donna Karvia, 314 S.W. 15th St., Chehalis	748-7860
Chehalis #6	Linda J. Pernerl, 1870 S.W. Fair Ave., Chehalis	748-7867
Chehalis #7	Eileen M. Bristow, 154 S.W. 12th St., Chehalis	748-1697
Morton	Kathy Simonis, 140 Fifth St., Morton	496-5289
Winlock	Claudia K. Alongi, 1122 S.E. First St., Winlock	785-3077

If you live in one of the following precincts where we do not have a PCO, please consider appointment to fill the vacancy. Contact Bob Guenther, County Chair, at 330-5006 if you are interested in filling a vacant precinct committee officer position.

Alpha	Dryad	North Prairie	Silver Creek	Centralia #8
Boistfort	Ethel	Onalaska	Stillwater	Chehalis #4
Claquato	Guerrier	Paradise	Temple	Chehalis #8
Cowlitz	Harmony	Parcuvia	Union	Mossyrock
Crego	Jubb	Randle West	Whealdon	Napavine
Curtis	Klickitat	Salkum	Centralia #1	Pe Ell
Doty	Logan	Salzer	Centralia #2	Toledo
Drews Prairie	Mineral	Sears	Centralia #5	Vader

**\*\*\*\*\* PCO TRAINING SET FOR OCT. 23rd \*\*\*\*\***

Be sure to put Saturday, October 23, 1999, from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. on your calendar. The annual PCO Training Session will be taking place then at the Carpenters Union Hall in Centralia. Lunch will be provided. Bev Gestrine will be facilitating a workshop with all PCOs and other invited guests. We will be developing and placing priorities on strategies for our party in the upcoming elections. We need each of us there to help us.

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