**23rd LD Dems Events 2022:**

A report from Ginny Bell - June 4, 2022 Updated at 4:00 PM

This past week I have focused on PCO doorbelling, events and DEI activities. The urgency for making decisions is upon us due to deadlines and the time needed for planning.

Personally, I have made a commitment to work at the Juneteenth Freedom Festival 2022, on Saturday, June 18th from 11-12 for Kitsap SURJ and from Noon - 3:00 at the 35th LD Dems booth. The email I am forwarding is from Donna Branch-Gilby, SCM for 35th LD Democrats, Chair Diversity Committee

cell:  520-245-8475

The 35th LD Dems have a booth that I asked to share and I offered to share the cost. Please put a request for a contribution of $40 to come from the 23rd LD Dems DEI budget and discuss it at the upcoming E-Bd.

**Events: Picnic, 4th of July Parades and events, Other festivals, and our anual Dinner Auction.**

**Saturday, June 18**    **Juneteenth Freedom Festival 2022**

community celebration in Evergreen Park, preceded by a People’s March to the park from

downtown Bremerton.  A People’s March will begin the day. Community is invited to gather, beginning at 10 a.m., on 5th ST between Washington AVE and Pacific AVE (downtown Bremerton). It will culminate at the festival in Evergreen Park.

23rd Legislative District Democrats are sharing a booth with the 35thLegislative District Democrats. Thanks to Donna Branch-Gilby and Chair Bob Gilby, they decided that having 23rd LD candidates at the booth will be super! - an even bigger draw for folks to come visit.  Our space is 10 feet by 10 , so it could get crowded. but that's better than having no crowd.  We'll have a canopy,  two 6 foot tables and 5 folding chairs.  I'm hoping to find a framed white board somewhere in this house for writing the names of the candidates who happen to be at the booth at any particular time.   At the table we'll also have:

   -  Candidate literature

   -  Voter registration forms

   -   maps of the new precinct lines for Mason and Kitsap Counties based on redistricting.

   -   quarter page card with Democratic values and 35th LD Dems meeting dates, officer contact info and Legislative candidate names and website addresses

   - List of Diversity-theme books the 35th LD Dems donated to 35th LD high schools this year

   -   Hopefully a couple bumper stickers and campaign pins.  We can't sell food per Juneteenth planning committee guidelines.

Anything else you can think of that could be  on the table or hung from the canopy?  A poster of Kamala Harris and President Biden would be lovely, but I don't have one.

Please let me know who else might be coming from the 23rd and the time frames, so I'll know if I have to do any more recruiting.  My goal is 3 people in the booth at all times, so we only need **one** more to fill the schedule from 9 am setup to 3 pm take-down, or shorter staffing periods if that works for your folks.

Please feel free to call me with your ideas and questions.  I'm at cell: 520-245-8475 and retired so available except tomorrow, Sunday  from 12:30 - 7 pm.   Donna

Donna Branch-Gilby, SCM for 35th LD Democrats, Chair Diversity Committee

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More about the Juneteenth Freedom Festival 2022 will offer entertainment and performances, activities for all

ages (including a flash mob!), education and opportunities for reflection, resources from local

grassroots community groups and nonprofit organizations, and, as always, a free cookout!

Attendance is free of charge.

This robust welcoming of community would not be possible without the financial support of area governmental jurisdictions, local businesses, nonprofit partners, and individual donors. **Donations should be by check or money order made out to**

**New Life CDA, 725 Park AVE, Bremerton, WA 98337. Be sure to include LACH - Juneteenth**

**Freedom Festival 2022 in the memo line or to indicate that designation in an attached letter.**

The Juneteenth Freedom Festival will also host the 7th Annual Latricia Mathis Walk 4 Sickle Cell. For more information on this walk, contact Carol Riley-Wilkerson at [lovedalord@hotmail.com](mailto:lovedalord@hotmail.com).

Juneteenth Freedom Festival 2022 is a collaborative effort, organized by a local community

planning crew, convened by Akuyea Karen Vargas, Director of Living Arts Cultural Heritage (a

program of New Life CDA). For updates, please write to JuneteenthKitsap@gmail.com and/or

stay tuned to the online event listing (https://www.facebook.com/events/536727644582825/).

**Bainbridge Island July 4th   Parade**

**Starts at 11:30 and draws a big crowd.**

**Kingston July 4th   Parade is at noon and draws a big crowd.**

Early-bird entry fees (through June 17, 2022):

* Nonprofit Entry: $40 (Chamber Member **Nonprofit Entry: $30**)
* Commercial/Political Entry: $60 (Chamber Member Commercial/**Political Entry: $50)**
* ***New for 2022: Parade entries that hand out any materials (including candy!) will incur a $50 fee to help offset waste collection expenses***

**Tiny Town** POLITICAL UNITS: Since many political candidates wish to also be able to participate in the (earlier) Kingston Parade as well as ours, we always place all political units at the end of our parade in order to give them an opportunity to do so. No slight intended, we promise!

<https://kingston4thofjuly.regfox.com/kingston-vendor-form-2022>

**T**iny Town (non-profit) ($85.00)

Monday July 4 (10AM-5PM)

**Total cost $90 for the parade. Consider a booth at ‘Tiny Town for another $85.**

**23rd Legislative District Democrats Picnic at Raab Park**

**Raab Park is available on Sundays July** 3, 17, 24, 31,

**Saturday Aug** 6 or 13

**Picnic -** I contacted the campaign office via email of Kilmer, Simmons, Hansen because they are up for election. Kilmer and Simmons are unavailable on Saturday Aug 6 and 13. A short discussion of the ‘audience,’ the desired outcome and the availability of volunteers as well as participants, should help the E-Bd pick the best date.

**The 23rd Legislative District Democrats Picnic - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a**t Raab Park Pavilion, 18349 Caldart Ave NE, Poulsbo. 11:30 - 2:30.

We will need help with our Dem's PA system and with loading and volunteering, hauling and unloading propane  barbeque grills and lots of other materials in the storage unit. Strong backs and pickup trucks requested.

**Dinner and Auction**

**Kiana Lodge is reserved for Thursday Sep 8, 2022. Thank you Hallette for arranging this.**