



**The National Grassroots Organization of Republicans for Environmental Protection**

**Washington Chapter Newsletter**

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Dear Washington REP Members:

2006 was an exiting year for the Washington Chapter. We were involved in several special events.

In April, the Chapter held its first Theodore Roosevelt Dinner at the Roosevelt Hotel with special guest speaker **U.S. Congressman Dave Reichert**.

In August, several Chapter members went to the National REP Annual Conference in Golden, CO and learned about methods of sustainability and business working with the environment.

In September, we endorsed candidates for the first time, endorsing candidates for the State Legislature. Here, there was good news and bad. The good news was that **State Reps. Chris Strow, Glenn Anderson, Jay Rodne, Skip Priest** and **Fred Jarrett** all won re-election. The bad news was that we lost environmental champions **State Senators Luke Esser** and **Dave Schmidt**, and **State Rep. Toby Nixon**, who continues to be a longtime REP member and Executive Committee member.

To finish out the year, we held our annual meeting in Seattle on December 9 to discuss our upcoming priorities.

In 2007, your Chapter has great news and many activities planned. In the good news column, former State Senator and REP member **Luke Esser** was elected to be the new Chairman of the Washington State Republican Party.

### **Mark Your Calendars!**

The Chapter will be holding its 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Theodore Roosevelt Dinner on April 27, 2007. Invitations will be going out around the first of March.

REP's national annual meeting will be held in San Antonio, TX this year on October 5-6, 2007

The annual Chapter meeting will be held in Spokane this year on September 15, 2007.

In my next newsletter I will detail our chapter priorities and more upcoming events.

In closing I want to take this time to say a special thank you to several members of the Executive Board Committee: Former President **Lunell Haught** for her great leadership, Vice President **Jan Brucker** for her tireless work and planning of the 1<sup>st</sup> Theodore Roosevelt Dinner, and of course our very own **Jim DiPeso!**

Thank you again for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Jim Nobles, President  
Washington State Chapter of  
Republicans for Environmental Protection