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MESSAGE FROM SENATOR FEINGOLD

Dear Wisconsin Progressive,

As you may remember, I made a campaign pledge back in 1992 to hold a Listening Session in each of Wisconsin's 72 counties every year. Over the past 15 years, I've held over 1,050 such meetings and traveled the equivalent of almost six times around the world—all within the state of Wisconsin.

A few issues consistently come up at these and other meetings; the unwise war in Iraq, of course, as does our nation's continuing fight against international terrorism. Earlier this summer, I heard numerous concerns about the USDA's failure to ensure accurate dairy price reporting, and I am increasingly reminded that our nation must end our dangerous addiction to oil and begin advancing renewable sources of energy to break this addiction.

All of these issues are very important. But the single most common issue that people bring up, the issue that really gets people talking is health care.

Everywhere I go, I hear about the rising cost of health care and the double-digit increases that small business owners must pay every year to continue providing coverage to their employees. I hear about the sacrifices that Wisconsinites are forced to make each year to ensure that they and their family members are covered.

Improving access to health care—and making health care coverage available to all Americans—has been one of my long-time goals. I support an overhaul of our current health care system, and I have recently introduced a new bill with Senator Lindsay Graham (R-SC) which will move us toward health care for all Americans.

Our bipartisan bill -- the State-Based Reform Health Care Act -- offers an American-style approach to health care reform. Under our plan, the federal government would help states provide health insurance to all their residents, but leave it to those individual states to decide how to go about it.

This legislation starts us down the road of health care coverage for all Americans by giving funding and authority to a select number of pilot states to provide health care coverage for all of their citizens, and encourage a flexible approach that allows each state to come up with innovative ways of achieving universal coverage. Our plan makes fiscal sense—providing \$40 billion in funding that would be entirely offset—and would stipulate that all citizens must be covered and that the coverage be at least as good as the health care that members of Congress receive.

It's time to break the logjam and I'm going to continue my efforts to give everyone affordable, quality health care.

With high hopes,

Russ Feingold
United States Senator
www.russfeingold.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

**Assembly Democrats
Fundraiser**
Monday, November 12th
5:30 to 7:30 P.M.

*City Brewery Hospitality
Center*
1111 3rd St. S.
La Crosse

**LCDP General Party
Meeting**
Monday, November 19th
7:00 P.M.
**Speaker: Terry
Hicks, AFL-CIO**

*Ho Chunk Nation 3 Rivers
House*
724 Main St.
La Crosse
*(Executive Board Elections
to take place, please see p.
2 for details)*

**LCDP/COLLEGE DEMS
Holiday Party**
Monday, December 10th
5:00 to ??

Big Al's Pizzeria
115 S. 3rd St.
La Crosse

Attention all Party Members:

The Newsletter is online at
laxdems.com! If you don't receive
the online newsletter and haven't
received online updates through the
campaign, please update your
address by sending an email to:
laxdems@yahoo.com

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2008 LCDP EXECUTIVE BOARD ELECTIONS

The elections for the 2008 Executive Board will take place at the November 19, 2007, General Party Meeting, which will be held at the Ho Chunk Nation 3 Rivers House, 724 Main St. in La Crosse, and which will begin at 7:00 P.M. **Only members whose 2007 dues are paid by November 1 will be eligible to vote.**

The nominees are as follows:

For Chair: **Fabio Burgos**
For Vice-Chair: **J.D. Wine**
For Treasurer: **Kris Troyanek**
For Secretary: **Richelle Zimmerman**

For the five at large Executive Board Positions: **Vicki Burke, Barb Clark, Bob Freedland, Mike Parker, Pablo Ruiz, Matt Ullsvik and Marcia Wine.**

Congratulations to all nominees.

2007- LCDP Board Members:



Executive Officers:

Fabio Burgos: Chair, 792-0878, fburgos@laxdems.com

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Pablo Ruiz: Secretary, 738-8251, pablomruiz3@yahoo.com

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Website: laxdems.com

**We want to hear from you! Let us know how we're doing.
Send comments, articles or constructive criticisms to us at:
laxdems@yahoo.com**

2nd Annual LCDP Holiday Wreath Fundraiser

For the second straight year, the LCDP will be holding a holiday wreath fundraiser. Orders can be emailed to laxdems@yahoo.com by Wednesday, November 14, OR turned in to JD Wine (608-783-0172) or Pablo Ruiz (608-738-8251) by November 14. Wreaths will be distributed at the general party meeting on Monday, November 19th, 7:00 P.M. at the Ho Chunk Nation 3 Rivers House. All wreaths will need to be paid for and picked up on the 19th at the general party meeting. The costs are as follows:

24" wreath \$20.00

28" candy cane wreath \$20.00

48" wreath \$50.00

All wreaths include; frosted pinecones, red berries & a red bow.



THANK YOU'S

LCDP FUNDRAISER WITH SEN. HERB KOHL

Thanks to Vicki Burke, John Medinger, Sharon Hampson, Margaret Wood and Tim Padesky and Tara Johnson for sponsoring the LCDP Pizza Fundraiser with Herb Kohl on October 9 at Big Al's. It was a great financial success for the LCDP.

FALL DINNER

The following people deserve recognition for help in setup: Stan and Ceil Berg, Vicki Burke, Barb Clark, Jessie Dargiel and the College Dems, Jason Gillett, JD and Marcia Wine, Kris Troyanek, and Richelle Zimmerman.

Of course much thanks to Loren Kannenberg, Charlie Marx, Mike Parker, Shannon Glynn and Matt Ullsvik for working the entire day to produce a delicious meal.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

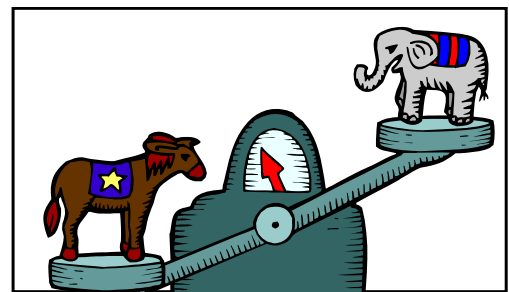
Dear Fellow Democrats:

I hope you can join us at the Holiday Party at Big Al's on December 10. We are directing some of the proceeds to the College Democrats. As most of you know, the turnout in the student wards in La Crosse (the 5th and 6th for UW-L and the 11th for Viterbo) was heavy in both 2004 and 2006 and was overwhelmingly Democratic. **It is important for us as a local party to invest in the College Dems in 2008**, as their votes and volunteer support may well make the difference in races from the county level on up to President.

We are entering perhaps the most important Presidential year in decades. Not only does the Democratic Party have a chance to reclaim the White House and restore constitutional government and end our involvement in Iraq, but we have a great chance at the State level to increase the Democratic majority in the State Senate and to gain a majority in the Assembly.

I must emphasize that although we as Democrats hold a wide range of views, that is what makes our party special – there is no enforced conformity as in the GOP. Furthermore, we must remember to make that change from within the party.

Fabio Burgos
Chair,
La Crosse County Democratic Party



LCDP/COLLEGE DEMS HOLIDAY PARTY

**Monday, December 10th
5:00 P.M. to ???**

**Big Al's Pizzeria, 113 3rd St. S.
La Crosse**

All the pizza you can eat. \$10 Suggested donation. Portion of proceeds will benefit College Democrats.

La Crosse County
DEMOCRATIC PARTY
P.O. Box 1861
La Crosse, WI 54602-1861

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REQUESTED**

LCDP GENERAL PARTY MEETING
Monday, November 19th, Meeting: 7:00 P.M.
Ho Chunk Nation 3 Rivers House, 724 Main St.
La Crosse, WI:
2008 Executive Board Elections/ Terry Hicks, AFL-CIO

**Please Renew Your Membership for 2007-08! Memberships received from this point
forward are good through 2008.**



La Crosse County DEMOCRATIC Party
2007-2008 MEMBERSHIP



YES – Please enroll me, and/or my family, as a member of the La Crosse County Democratic Party for 2007-2008. Enclosed is payment for dues according to type of membership requested.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Home: _____ Fax: _____

Work: _____ E-Mail: _____

Assembly District: 94th _____ 95th _____ Ward _____

____ Yes, I am interested in volunteering for party activities!

Occupation: _____

- ⓧ Dues Structure: PLEASE NOTE CHANGED RATES, Please check one:**
- _____ \$ 25 General (\$10 each for up to 3 additional members)
 - r _____ \$ 10 Senior Citizen, Student or Unemployed
 - _____ \$ 35 Pairs (Up to two memberships)
 - _____ \$ 45 Activist (Up to 3)
 - _____ \$ 75 Family Membership
 - _____ \$ 120 Supporting
 - _____ \$ 240 Friend
 - _____ \$ 600 Patron
 - _____ \$ 1,200 Investor
 - _____ \$ 2,400 Benefactor

Additional Contribution to County Party: \$ _____

TOTAL Amount Paid: \$ _____ Check ___ Cash ___

Make checks payable to:
La Crosse County Democratic Party

Mail To: **La Crosse County Democratic Party**
PO Box 1861
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I RECOMMEND contacting as a possible member

Name: _____

Phone: _____