

## DEMOCRATIC NEWSLETTER MARCH 2010

### Message from the Chair

Thanks to all those who made our grand opening a success. What a great reception for Senator Feingold!!

We will get a chance to hear a second candidate for Lt. Gov. at our March 15th general party meeting at the Feingold/LCDP Office, 116 Fifth Ave. S. Tony Zielinski will be attending. See information below on this candidate.

Any member wishing to be a delegate to the Third CD Convention should get his/her name in to me by March 10. See article below.

We need to be more active in writing letters to the editor. Every day we see extreme conservative messages being presented by several writers. WE MUST RESPOND!!

Remember to renew your membership for 2010. A membership form can be found at [www.laxdems.com](http://www.laxdems.com). Or you may send in your payment. The membership amounts are listed below. Please send the amount with your name and address to La Crosse County Democratic Party, P.O. Box 1861, La Crosse, WI 54602-1861

*Vicki Burke*

Chair  
La Crosse County Democratic Party



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Restaurant, 107 Vine St., La Crosse  
For more information on Brian go to  
[www.brianblanchard.net](http://www.brianblanchard.net)

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Cochrane-Fountain City High School,  
S2770 State Rd. 35, Fountain City  
Registration 9-11a.m.



# Remember Naught

by Devilstower

There's been something of a movement to forget

the last ten years. There are web sites, pundits, and television shows pushing the idea that we should just put the decade of zeros out of our minds, write it off as a lost period, and move on.

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As tempting as it is to forget the bad times, the reason there's a whole friggin' biological system built around the idea of burning these events irrevocably into your cerebellum in 18pt type is so you don't do it again.

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Here's the thing about the naughts: there was nothing magic about the numbers. It wasn't because of a double-zero in the middle of the dates that we launched an invasion that's cost the lives of thousands of Americans, the lives of hundreds of thousands of Iraqis, and a

trillion dollars plus out of the pocketbooks of taxpayers. We launched into that still unresolved idiocy because of bad policy based on the conservative philosophy of smash things first, think never. We went there because of an extreme version of American exceptionalism, one that views America as above the rules of law and exempt from questions of morality. A view that says not only if the president does it, it's not a crime, but that if America does it, it can't be wrong.

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Don't forget the naughts, because this decade, no matter what anyone on the right might say, was conservatism on trial.

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And they will. Given half a chance -- less than half -- they'll do it again, only worse. Because that's the way conservatism works. Remember when the only answer to every economic problem was "cut

taxes?" We have a surplus. Good, let's cut taxes. We have a deficit. Hey, cut taxes even more! That little motto was unchanging even when it was clear that the tax cuts were increasing the burden on everyone but a wealthy few. That's just a subset of the great conservative battle whine which is now and forever "we didn't go far enough

Forget the naughts, and you'll forget that conservatives had another chance to prove all their ideas, and that their ideas utterly and completely failed. Again.

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The point of remembering bad events is to stop them from repeating. So remember, and remind others if they start to forget. Because really, this is one trip to the water hole we can't afford to repeat.

*Read the whole story at the [DailyKos.com](http://DailyKos.com)*

## SEEKING DELEGATES FOR THIRD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT CONVENTION

If you wish to be a delegate at the Third Congressional District Convention you MUST have your name to Vicki Burke by Wednesday, March 10, 2010. You must be a member by March 13 to be a delegate. The convention is Saturday, March 27, at Cochrane- Fountain City High School, S2770 State Rd. 35. Registration will be from 9-11 a.m. with call to order at 10 a.m.

Email Vicki at [vburke0737@aol.com](mailto:vburke0737@aol.com) or phone 608-781-0737 and leave a message.

There will be elections for a delegate (3-year term) and alternate (1-year term) to the DPW Platform and Resolutions Committee. terms to begin June 2010.

With 2010 being an election year, we will hear not only from our Congressman Ron Kind but also from candidates like Senator Russ Feingold, Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett, state legislators and exciting new candidates!



Tony Zielinski, another candidate for Lt. Gov., will speak at our March meeting. He was first elected to Milwaukee's Common Council as Alderman of

the 14th District in April 2004 and re-elected in April 2008. Prior to this position he was a Milwaukee County Supervisor representing District 12.

Mr. Zielinski graduated St. John's Military Academy in Delafield. He received a B.A. in political science from UW-Milwaukee and a law degree from Marquette University Law School.

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**IW-La Crosse College Democrats**  
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[www.wiscollegedems.net](http://www.wiscollegedems.net)

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Hope you have taken the time to go to our reconstructed website at [www.laxdems.com](http://www.laxdems.com). Thank you to those who have helped with funding this project. Our monthly maintenance cost is \$100. If you would like to make a specific donation for the website, please send your contribution to La Crosse County Democratic Party, PO Box 1861, La Crosse, WI 54602-1861. Candidate links are on the website.

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*Enclosed is payment for dues according to type of  
membership requested.*

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

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Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Check Due Structure that applies**

- \$25 General Membership  
(\$10 each for up to 3 additional members)
- \$ 10 Senior Citizen or Student
- \$35 Pairs ( Up to Two Memberships)
- \$45 Activist (Up to 3)
- \$75 Family Membership
- \$120 Supporting Membership
- \$240 Friend
- \$600 Patron
- \$1200 Investor
- \$2400 Benefactor

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*P.O. Box 1861*  
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*I recommend contacting as a possible member*

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