

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

March 2012

Party Events!

St Patrick's LCDP Fundraiser

March 17, 5-9 p.m. Home of
Karri Kline and
Loren Kannenberg
322 23rd St So, La Crosse
Suggest \$10 Donation

General Party Meeting March
19, 7:00 p.m. Democratic Office
116 5th. Ave S, La Crosse
Speaker: Kathleen Falk

Third Congressional District Convention

Saturday, March 24 Lincoln
High Auditorium
124 S. School St.
Alma Center.

County Caucus for Selection of Delegates for the Democratic National Convention

Sunday, April 15
Doors open at 11:30 a.m.
Registration 12-2 p.m.
Democratic Office
116 5th Ave S, La Crosse
NO ENTRY PAST 2 p.m.

Democratic Party of Wisconsin State Convention

June 8 & 9 at Radisson Paper
Valley Hotel
333 W. College Ave. Appleton,
WI 54911
Hotel Phone: (920) 733-8000

Kathleen Falk, a candidate for Wisconsin Governor, will speak at our March LCDP general party meeting on Monday, March 19, at 7 p.m. All candidates have been invited to attend one of our monthly meetings, and we hope to hear each of them before the election.



She will also hold a fundraiser at Earl's, formerly Nighthawks, 401 3rd. St. S., La Crosse, prior to the meeting, 5-6:45pm. The LCDP does not endorse during a primary, but will assist candidates in getting their message out about events.

Thanks to those who came to the February meeting. **Rep. Ron Kind** was able to attend, along with **Senator Shilling** and **Rep. Billings**.

A big thank you to Liz Ash, Paul Kruse, John Kellogg, Ed Burgess, Carolyn Smith, and Kris Troyanek who moved items from storage. This was a big job and we appreciate their willingness to give up time on a Saturday to do so.

Please continue to come into the office at 116 5th. Ave. S., La Crosse, to help with data entry. Just drop in. We would be glad to get your help. Also, if you wish to donate paper products, please drop them off.

Members will be receiving a notice from the State letting them know they should renew. You may renew with the local party or with the State. We would appreciate your renewing with the local party to ensure prompt availability of funds crucial for ongoing activities. Your membership year will be determined by the date you join or renew. A membership form can be found at 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

Democratic Party of Wisconsin

Today's case file from <http://www.WalkerInvestigation.com/> is **William Gardner, Scott Walker's money man**. Almost a year ago, Gardner was charged with funneling illegal contributions to Scott Walker's campaign.

Convicted: Two Class I felony counts of excessive/unlawful political contributions.

Mr. Gardner was charged with asking his employees to contribute tens of thousands of dollars in political contributions, for which he then reimbursed them. This allowed Mr. Gardner to illegally funnel \$43,000 to the Friends of Scott Walker.

Mr. Gardner was convicted of the largest campaign finance violation in Wisconsin history.

Third Congressional District Convention-Delegates Needed

Third Congressional District Convention will be held on Saturday, March 24, in Alma Center at the Lincoln High School Auditorium. Registration is from 9-11 a.m. with call to order at 10 a.m.

To be a La Crosse County delegate you must be a current member of the LCDP. If you wish to be a delegate, **send your name to Vicki Burke at vburke0737@aol.com or call (608)792-5854 by March 11.**

Delegates at this time: Congressman Ron Kind, Senator Jennifer Shilling, Rep. Steve Doyle, Rep. Jill Billings, Chris Shilling, Tawni Kind, Vicki Burke, Karri Kline, Loren Kannenberg, Kris Troyanek, Paula Stanek, Chris Kahlow, Rocky Huber, George Huber, Monica Kruse, Paul Kruse, John Medinger, Dee Medinger, Sharon Hampson, Margaret Wood, Janet Slaght, Rodney Rusch, Carolyn Smith, Dave Holtz, J. D. Wine, Marcia Wine, Sue Conard, Fran Heggenbarth and Sue Hessel.

Elections for several committee representatives: DPW Platform & Resolutions Committee Delegate for a 3-year term to begin in June 2012 and DPW Platform & Resolutions Committee Alternate for a 1-year term to begin in June 2012 following the state convention. Platform and Resolutions (P&R) Committee delegate and alternate delegate work mainly in the spring, collecting and preparing resolutions for discussion at our convention and then conducting that discussion. As part of the state P&R Committee, delegates also perform the same work for the state convention. This requires attendance at approximately 3-4 state level meetings, at both conventions, and at four 3rd CD Executive Committee meetings. The alternate attends in the event a committee delegate cannot. Resolutions may be submitted by county parties.

Recommended Reading

[Rules for Radicals](#) by **Saul Alinsky** A must-read for all progressive activists. One of Paul Wellstone's favorites. Post your recommendations at www.LaxDems.com or on Facebook: La Crosse County Democratic Party!

La Crosse County Democratic Caucus

As required for all Wisconsin County Democratic Parties, the Democratic Party of La Crosse County will hold its County Caucus on April 15, 2012, at the Democratic Office, 116 5th. Ave. S., La Crosse. The caucus is held every four years to select delegates to the Democratic National Convention, to be held this year in Charlotte, NC during the week of September 3rd.

Wisconsin has 111 delegate slots, of which 66 are elected by a two-tier process. The County Caucus is the first of these. The La Crosse Dems can elect up to 41 delegates and 41 alternates at the County Caucus. Those elected then must compete for slots allocated to the 3rd CD at the second tier caucus to be held on Sunday, May 6th, in Valhalla Hall at UW-La Crosse. Doors open at 11:30 a.m.

Registration for the La Crosse County Party Caucus will be held from 12:00 - 2:00 PM, with voting for delegates starting at 2:00. Doors close at 2 PM during the voting time.

All those who wish to compete for delegate slots **MUST file a Statement of Intent and Pledge of Support Form with the State Party by Friday, April 6, 2012.** The form is available electronically by going to the DPW website, www.wisdems.org. For those without email, call Vicki Burke at (608) 792-5854 to receive a form.

Recall Walker Help Needed!!

Help is needed immediately at the office, 116 5th. Ave. S., La Crosse. We are doing data entry and need many volunteers. Please contact **Sheigh Freeberg**, Field Organizer, Democratic Party of Wisconsin
Cell: (316) 213-8118 Office: (608) 692-2059

Tammy Baldwin has been endorsed by the State Democratic Party as our candidate to replace Senator Herb Kohl. **Please give her your support.**

Training in La Crosse

"How to be a Convention Delegate"

Sunday, **March 11 at 3:00 p.m.**
at the Dem Office
116 5th. Ave. S., La Crosse

Learn about the Democratic National Convention in Charlotte, NC to ensure active participation in the delegate selection process.

Candidate Events

Friday, March 9, 5-7pm, **Ginny Dankmeyer for County Clerk** at Boot Hill.
Thursday, March 15, 5-7pm, **Ron Kind Birthday Event** at Four Sisters.
Monday, March 18, 5-6:45pm, **Kathleen Falk for Governor** at Earl's (previously Nighthawks)

PAC, Party & National Campaign Information

Democratic Party of Wisconsin (DPW)

110 King Street, Suite 203
Madison, WI 53703
(608) 255-5172
(608) 255-8919 Fax
www.wisdems.org

Wisconsin State Senate Democratic Committee

www.SSDC-Wi.org

Wisconsin Assembly Democratic Campaign Committee

www.AssemblyDemocrats.com

3rd Congressional District Democratic Party

Melanie Franklin, Chair
(715) 659-4964
www.3rdDems.net

Democratic National Committee (DNC)

430 S. Capitol St. SE
Washington, DC 20003
(202) 863-8000
www.Democrats.org

Democratic Leadership Council (DLC)

600 Pennsylvania Ave., SE
Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003
(202) 544-0007
(202) 544-5002 Fax
www.DLC.org

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Room 19, East State Capitol
Madison, WI 53701
(608) 266-3516
(608) 267-3571 Fax

Senator, Ron Johnson (R)
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Washington, DC 20510
(202) 224-5323

Senator, Herb Kohl (D)
330 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510
(202) 224-5653
(202) 224- 9787 Fax

Congressman, Ron Kind (D)
1406 Longworth House Office
Building Washington, DC 20510
(202) 225-5506,
(202) 225- 5739 Fax

State Senator, Jennifer Shilling (D)
Room 106 South, State Capitol
(608) 266-5490
(608) 282-3572 Fax

94th Assembly Rep, Steve Doyle (D)
Room 126 North, State Capitol
rep.doyle@legis.wisconsin.gov
(608) 266-0631

95th Assembly Rep, Jill Billings (D)
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Obama Campaign

**Organizing for America -- Own
Your Vote Day of Action!
Saturday, March 17th**

Canvassing shifts will **start at
10 am and 1pm!**

We'll be starting in the LCDP office,
116 S. 5th St, La Crosse.

We will be reaching out to voters in
our local communities to talk to
them about how voting has
changed and to make sure they're
ready to vote on Election Day.

We'll remind voters they'll need to
make sure they're registered at
their current address and have a
valid photo ID to bring with them.

Questions? Contact LauraLou
Hundt lhundt@ofawi.com or Becca
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Attention all Party Members:

The Newsletter is now online. If you don't receive the online newsletter and have
not received online updates through the campaign, please update your address
by sending an email to: laxdems@yahoo.com or visit us online at:
www.LaxDems.com



Become a member of the La Crosse County Democratic Party

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Please check dues structure that applies:

Renewal Month _____

- \$25 General Membership
- \$10 Senior, Student, Limited Income
- \$35 Pairs (up to two members)
- \$75 Family
- \$120 Supporting Membership
- \$250 Friend
- \$600 Patron
- \$2400 Benefactor

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*Federal Law requires us to use our best efforts to collect and report the
name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer of individuals
whose contributions exceed \$200 in a calendar year.

Make checks payable to:
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P.O. Box 1861
La Crosse, WI 54602-1861

I recommend contacting as a possible member:
Name _____

You may also join or donate online:
www.LaxDems.com

Phone _____

Email _____