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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

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WE DID IT! From top to bottom, La Crosse County was successful. We did our part to re-elect President Barack Obama and Vice President Joe Biden. We returned Ron Kind to the U.S. House of Representatives and elected Tammy Baldwin to the U.S. Senate!

We re-elected State Senator Jen Shilling and State Representatives Steve Doyle and Jill Billings. And the final icing on the cake is our three new county office holders: District Attorney Tim Gruenke; County Clerk Ginny Dankmeyer, and County Treasurer Shawn Handland.

On election night I was tired but joyous and thankful. I was thankful for getting the opportunity to work with the great coordinated campaign! Becca Dobrez, Tyler Hendricks, Laura Lou Hunt, Neil Rickett, Sheigh Freeberg, Taylor Goodine, Laura Fox and Joe Whatney worked many long hours to get out the vote.

Vicki Burke
Chair
La Crosse County Democratic Party

Tammy Baldwin – U.S. Senator-elect!



...Isn't this a powerful picture! Finally, a Democrat in Teddy's seat and a woman senator from Wisconsin! Tammy Baldwin and Elizabeth Warren made history on Nov. 6. Those of you who phoned or canvassed made this happen!

Upcoming Events – Hope to see you!!

Holiday Party on Monday, Dec. 17

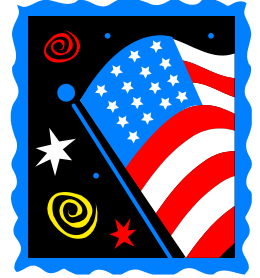
🌿 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. 🌿

We have much to celebrate! Please, bring an appetizer or dessert to share at Earl's Saloon and Grocery, 401 Third St. S., La Crosse (formerly Nighthawks), on the corner of 3rd and Jay St. *Bring Non-perishable food items for the food pantry.*

Inaugural Celebration 5 – 6:45 p.m. TBD

**Martin Luther King Event, Monday, Jan. 21
Starts 7:00 p.m. at Viterbo Fine Arts Center.**

President Obama's Victory Speech Excerpt



Thank you. Thank you. Thank you so much.

Tonight, more than 200 years after a former colony won the right to determine its own destiny, the task of perfecting our union moves forward.

It moves forward because of you. It moves forward because you reaffirmed the spirit that has triumphed over war and depression, the spirit that has lifted this country from the depths of despair to the great heights of hope, the belief that while each of us will pursue our own individual dreams, we are an American family and we rise or fall together as one nation and as one people.

Tonight, in this election, you, the American people, reminded us that while our road has been hard, while our journey has been long, we have picked ourselves up, we have fought our way back, and we know in our hearts that for the United States of America the best is yet to come.

I want to thank every American who participated in this election...

... whether you voted for the very first time or waited in line for a very long time.

By the way, we have to fix that.

Whether you pounded the pavement or picked up the phone...

... whether you held an Obama sign or a Romney sign, you made your voice heard and you made a difference.

I just spoke with Governor Romney and I congratulated him and Paul Ryan on a hard-fought campaign.

We may have battled fiercely, but it's only because we love this country deeply and we care so strongly about its future. From George to Lenore to their son Mitt, the Romney family has chosen to give back to America through public service and that is the legacy that we honor and applaud tonight.

In the weeks ahead, I also look forward to sitting down with Governor Romney to talk about where we can work together to move this country forward.

I want to thank my friend and partner of the last four years, America's happy warrior, the best vice president anybody could ever hope for, Joe Biden.

And I wouldn't be the man I am today without the woman who agreed to marry me 20 years ago.

Let me say this publicly: Michelle, I have never loved you more. I have never been prouder to watch the rest of America fall in love with you, too, as our nation's first lady.

Sasha and Malia, before our very eyes you're growing up to become two strong, smart beautiful young women, just like your mom.

And I'm so proud of you guys. But I will say that for now one dog's probably enough.

To the best campaign team and volunteers in the history of politics...

The best. The best ever. Some of you were new this time around, and some of you have been at my side since the very beginning.

But all of you are family. No matter what you do or where you go from here, you will carry the memory of the history we made together and you will have the life-long appreciation of a grateful president. Thank you for believing all the way, through every hill, through every valley. You lifted me up the whole day, and I will always be grateful for everything that you've done and all the incredible work that you've put in.

For remainder of speech go to the following link <http://www.nytimes.com/2012/11/07/us/politics/transcript-of-president-obamas-election-night-speech.html?pagewanted=all&r=0>

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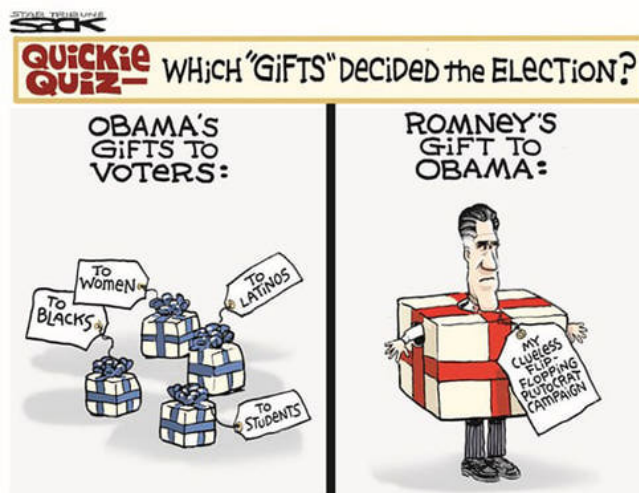
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Welcome the 2013 LCDP Executive Board!

Elections for officers and at-large board members were held on November 19 at Ho Chunk Three Rivers House. Officers for 2013 are as follows:

Chair, Karri Kline; Vice chair, Marcia Wine; Treasurer, Kris Troyanek; Secretary, Kathy Ryan. At-Large Board members: Rocky Huber, Carolyn Smith, Chris Degnen, Stephanie Steiner, and Paul Kruse. Vicki Burke is Past Chair and the college representatives are Laura Fox (Viterbo), and Jimmy Dirth (UW-L).



Remember to laugh along the way.



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Sen.-elect Tammy Baldwin has joined Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse to push for their tax fairness bill, the Buffett Rule, to be considered in current talks on the budget.

State Sen. Jenn Shilling to serve on the 2013-14 Joint Finance Committee. "Many of Wisconsin's working families continue to struggle as a result of our slow economic recovery and we need to work in a more bipartisan manner to get our state back on track."

State Rep. Steve Doyle – Congress must "grow up and work together" to avert disastrous cuts to Medicare and Medicaid.

State Rep. Jill Billings – to Co-Chair the Constitution and Ethics Committee with (R) Chris Kapengo. It's been 28 years since our Assembly used co-chairs.

Authorized and paid for by the La Crosse County Democratic Party, Vicky Burke, Chair and Kris Troyanek, Treasurer.
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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



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