



It is an exciting time to be a member of the LDCP !!!

Our various committees have taken on numerous important outreach projects, and the volunteer letter we sent out to members has resulted in several volunteers, as well as numerous cash donations to our county party !

Our fundraising efforts in general continue to be successful, with slightly more than \$200 being raised at our recent St. Patrick's Day party. Thanks to everyone who helped make that evening an enjoyable success.

The Membership Committee has developed a membership brochure for new and existing members, and our membership numbers continue to climb, now reaching nearly 300. This is due, in part, to our ongoing efforts to partner with other progressive groups in the area, as we pursue common goals in resisting the current Republican administration.

We also can look forward to some additional help from our state party. They have brought on board several Regional Organizing Directors, who will be working with party officials in each area to help with community outreach and organizing efforts. The person assigned to SW Wisconsin is Fleming Beaver, who has worked in a variety of rural and suburban locations across five states and was one of the first organizers on the ground in Iowa in 2015. He is eager to join our team, and will be starting his new duties in early April. He and the other Regional Directors will be sharing Best Practices and coordinating activities across the state.

The state party also is focusing on developing a values-drive narrative, including working with various focus groups, which all candidates can build upon in their respective campaigns. Having a consistent, cohesive, meaningful message will enable all our communications to be more effective and reach our target audiences.

Get in touch with any of our officers or committee members to see how you can get involved !

Susan Goeldner and J. D. Wine

Please Read and Take and Note

RENEWING YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

Please look at your mailing label to see when your membership expires. Use the membership information found in this newsletter to renew. Thank you for your continued support!

VOLUNTEER FORM

you should have received a volunteer form to complete in the mail. If you haven't already done so, please complete this form and return it in the enclosed envelope. We need a very high response to this to reduce the number of follow up calls the Volunteer Committee will have to make. This effort is crucial to our success this year. Thank you.

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Carolyn Smith

Kris Troyanek

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Upcoming Events

Spring primary April 4th, today. Vote for Tony Evers!

The DPW State Convention is in Middleton June 2nd through 3rd at the Madison Marriott West, 608-831-2000, 1313 John Q Hammons Dr., Middleton, WI, 53562. Rooms are \$119/night with the DPW block rate if reserved by May 1st. Those desiring to be delegates contact J. D



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Any thoughts or suggestions you may have for your Executive Board are greatly appreciated. You can express them by contacting any board member, either by phone or email.

Executive Board Activity Report

This is another installment in providing information to you concerning the efforts of your Executive Board to make the off-election year 2017 into a springboard for victory in 2018. You now know the committees that are active (Newsletter) and the various activities these committees are undertaking (March Regular Meeting reports), and the following will inform you about the individual efforts of your EB members. In addition to the committee work to establish an infrastructure to prepare for 2018, the EB has been meeting twice a month since the start of this year instead of the usual once a month.

(Executive Board Activity Report Cont.)

This effort is starting to bear tangible results, but it will be through your work in volunteering that we can achieve the goal of making 2018 a year of victories rather than a repeat of 2016.

Please complete and return your volunteer form and respond when you are called upon this year. If you need a volunteer form, Diane Wulf, your treasurer, has them available at the Regular Monthly Meetings. Thank you.

Sara Bentley: Chair of the Community Outreach Committee, Co-chair of the Volunteer Committee, EB meeting activities
Ed Burgess: Chair of the Union Outreach Committee, EB meeting activities
Vicki Burke: Served on the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, EB meeting activities
Susan Goeldner: Co-chair of the Party, Co-chair of the Communications Committee (Text segment), co-editor of the newsletter, member of the Union Outreach Committee, EB meeting activities
Obbie King: Co-chair of the Communications Committee (Tech segment), working on the party website, serves on the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, EB meeting activities
Anna Kivi: College Dems Representative, she has been working with the Membership Committee to increase party membership on campus
Paul Kruse: Vice Chair of Party, Chair of the Parade Committee, serves on the Events Committee and the Communications Committee, EB meeting activities
Carolyn Smith: EB meeting activities
Kris Troyanek: Serves on the Polling Location Committee, EB meeting activities
J. D. Wine: Co-chair of Party, Chair of Constitution and Bylaws Committee, Chair of Events Committee, serves on Fundraising Committee, member of Union Outreach Committee Co-editor of the newsletter, EB meeting activities
Dave Wulf: Secretary of Party, Chair of the Membership Committee, EB meeting activities
Diane Wulf: Treasurer of Party, Chair of the Fund Raising Committee, serves on the Membership Committee, serves on the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, supplied ancillary services for many committees' endeavors, EB meeting activities

Message from Congressman Kind

We won an important battle by stopping the Congressional Republican health care plan. Making phone calls, writing letters, and showing up at town halls really made a difference in our fight to protect the progress we've made with the Affordable Care Act. Although we should celebrate that victory, we've got to get ready for what is next from the Trump administration-- their budget proposal.

This budget cuts deep into the heart of Wisconsin communities, cutting programs that do everything from keeping us safe to encouraging economic growth. I wanted to share with you some of the highlights of what this budget would mean for western and central Wisconsin in some key areas.

Clean Air, Water, and Environment

- Cuts state grants by 45% from the EPA
- Eliminates the Water and Wastewater loan and grant program. Not familiar with it? It's the program that helped rebuild our rural communities Gays Mills after the 2008 flooding and has sent money to Richland Center.
- Cuts \$95 million from the Rural Business and Cooperative service, directly hitting our rural businesses like Westby Cooperative Creamery and Organic Valley.

Economy and Education

- Entirely eliminates the Community Development Block Grants Program
- Eliminates the Federal Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant, denying aid to those students who need it the most.
- Eliminates funding that goes to our UW schools

Safety

- Reduces the State Homeland Security program.
- Cutting Department of Justice grants by 25%, which could include the COPS Program.
- Cutting the Legal Services Corp., a 43 year old institution that helps provide legal advice and support to those that could otherwise not afford it.

This isn't even everything that's being cut that will hurt Wisconsinites, but just the things I wanted to share with you immediately. These are also the things that will hurt all of our communities, especially rural ones, the most. I encourage you to share this with those you know and especially those who might disagree with politically and show them, line by line, the impact this will have on our state. Write a letter to the editor about a program you care about, even if it's not on this list, and speak up against this budget just as loudly as we spoke up against the Congressional Republican health care plan.



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For the LCDP to do the activities we want to do this year, we are going to need funding and volunteers. The party is only as strong as the engagement of its members and friends. And, that is where you come in. We need you to volunteer and contribute. Please consider a contribution of any size to help us provide the activities, events, and broadening of our base preparing for 2018.

You may send a contribution to:
LCDP, P. O. Box 1861, La Crosse, WI,
54602-1861

For online contributions go to our web site
www.laxdems.com.

Thank you.

La Crosse County Democratic Party
Membership Form

Please check the dues structure that applies:

- \$10 Senior, Student, Limited Income
- \$25 General Membership (1 member)
- \$35 Pairs (up to two members)
- \$45 yearly Activist (up to 3 members)
- \$75 yearly (family)
- \$120 Supporting Membership
- \$240 Friend
- \$600 Patron

I would like to support the LCDP with a donation of \$ _____

Total Amount Paid \$ _____

Make checks payable to:

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You may also donate online:

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*Employer _____ Contributions are not tax deductible for federal income tax purposes. Your contribution may be used in connection with federal elections and is subject to the limitations and prohibitions of the Federal Election Campaign Act.

*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.

I recommend contacting as a possible member:

Name _____
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