

THE DEMOCRATIC VOICE

October 2024 Newsletter

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Voter Turnout in La Crosse County is Vital! Take a Friend to the Polls!

In 2020, President Biden won Wisconsin by 20,000 votes. He won La Crosse County by 10,000 votes. We provided **HALF** of the margin of victory in the state, and we can do it again in 2024!

But we need your help!

Commit right now to taking three friends to the polls with you! The more Democrats we bring to the polls, for early voting and on Election Day, the more likely we see a Harris presidency.

Vote No on the Constitutional Amendment:

This referendum affects one word in the Wisconsin Constitution, changing "every" citizen should be allowed to vote to "only" citizens be allowed to vote. This change in the law would allow the Republican legislature to enact restrictive voting rules that will prevent legal, eligible voters from voting.

This referendum is part of the Republican Election Denial conspiracy theory and purports to address an absolute non-issue in Wisconsin voting. Non-citizens are not voting in Wisconsin elections and state law already requires citizenship to vote.

Stand up to Republican attempts to block access to voting by rejecting this constitutional amendment.

Dems Up and Down the Ballot!!

President/Vice-President: Kamala Harris / Tim Walz

US Senate: Tammy Baldwin

3rd CD Representative: Rebecca Cooke

State Senate: Brad Pfaff

94th Assembly: Steve Doyle

95th Assembly: Jill Billings

96th Assembly: Tara Johnson

La Crosse District Attorney: Tim Gruenke

La Crosse County Clerk: Ginny Dankmeyer

La Crosse County Treasurer: Amy Twitchell

La Crosse Registrar of Deeds: Robin Kadmas

Constitutional Amendment: Vote **N0**

Early Voting Begins Tuesday, October 22! A fast and easy way to vote!

Visit your local municipal clerk for early voting hours and locations! Visit <https://laxdems.com/voting-information/> for lots of voting information!

Upcoming Events



LCDP Vice Presidential Debate Watch Party, Tuesday, October 1. Doors at 7:30pm. Debate at 8:00pm., Concordia Ballroom. 1129 La Crosse St.

LCDP Fall Dinner and Fundraiser, Saturday, October 19 from 5:00pm-8:00pm., Tickets available here: <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/lcdpdinner24>

LCDP October Meeting, Monday, October 21 from 6:30pm-8:00pm, LCDP Office at 2318 State Rd. , More information and Zoom link at <https://www.laxdems.com/monthly-meetings>

LCDP Election Victory Party, Tuesday, November 5 from 8:00pm-11:00pm, Concordia Ballroom



October Meeting for the La Crosse County Democratic Party. Monday, October 21 6:30pm-8:00pm

Meeting will be held at the LCDP Office at 2318 State Rd (Across from JavaVino, accessible on the 2 and 4 Bus Lines. Join by Zoom at laxdems.com/monthly-meetings



October Candidate Check-In

Hear from all of the Democratic nominees as we head into Early voting.

Plus, discussion and debate on adding a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer to the LCDP Executive Board and the nominations for the 2025 LCDP Executive Board.

DO SOMETHING!

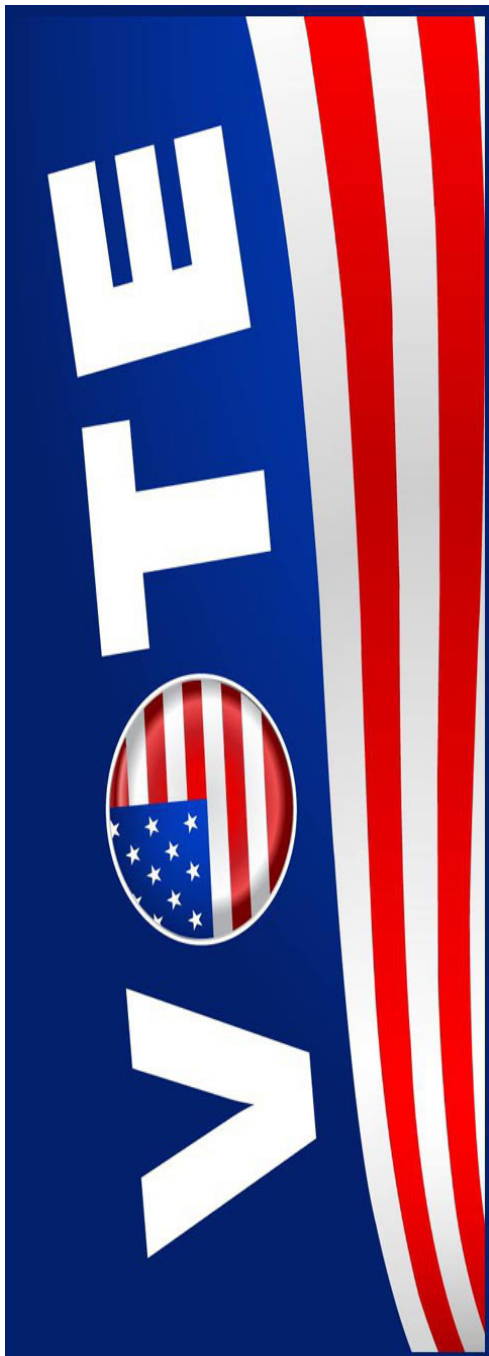
We have BIG Weekend of Actions Canvassing planned for the following dates. Contact the LCDP office or use the QR Code to sign up for a shift!

- October 19 & 20
- October 26 & 27
- November 2-5

Be a Canvassing Captain! We are always looking for people who can launch canvassers on our Weekends of Action Days. You would hand out the canvassing packets and answer questions as needed. Especially useful would be canvass launch sites in Onalaska and northern La Crosse County. We would give you all the training you need! Email Tammy Wood at tammy.wood@wisdems.org for more information.

Come to an LCDP Monthly Meeting! Our next meeting will be Monday, October 21st from 6:30-8:00pm at the LCDP office. 2318 State Rd (Across from JavaVino, on the 2&4 Bus Lines). Hear from featured speakers, elected officials and party candidates! More information at www.laxdems.com/monthly-meetings

You can stop by the office any time Monday-Friday Noon-6:00pm or Saturday, 10:00am-4:00pm for information on these and other events happening in the area!



Up Coming Events



 **Drinks with the Dems:** Wednesday's
5:00PM—7:00PM at the Bodega

 **Canvasing at Farmer's Market:** Fridays'
4:00PM—6:00PM Cameron Park

 **Canvasing Every Saturday:** Saturdays'
9:00PM—6:00PM

 **Canvasing Every Sunday:** Sundays'
12:00PM—6:00PM

Oktoberfest Maple Leaf Parade: Sat, Sept
28th 9:00AM—11AM

Weekend of Action: Sept 28 & 29th
9:00AM—9:00PM

Vice President Debate: October 1st
8:00PM—10:00PM Concordia Ball Hall

Sen. Brad Pfaff Fundraiser: October 3rd
5:30PM—7:00PM Castle on Cass

Bipartisan Election Security Event: Octo-
ber 3rd 7:00PM—8:15PM Pump House
with Former Rep. Ron Kind

Rep. Jill Billings Fundraiser: October 4th
5:00PM—7:00PM 1222 Cass Street

Rebecca Cooke Fundraiser: 6:00pm-
8:00pm. Save the Date. More information
to come.

LCDP Annual Banquet: October 19th
5:00PM—8:00PM Concordia Ball Hall

Get Out The Vote: Oct 19 & 20 9:00AM—
9:00PM

Get Out the Vote: Oct 26 & 27 9:00AM—
9:00PM

Get Out the Vote: Nov 1-5 9:00AM—
9:00PM

Election Night Watch Party: 7:30PM—
10:00PM Concordia Ball Hall

Holiday Social: Dec 16th 5:00PM—
7:00PM Big Al's

[Sign Up Here](#)



All events are at the at the La Crosse County Democratic Party Office at 2318 State Road unless noted. For more information visit us at laxdems.com

Call for LCDP Officers in 2025!

Nominations are now open for La Crosse County Democratic Party Executive Board positions. Those positions include; Chair, Co-chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and 5 At Large members. Qualifications include being a member in good standing of the LCDP for a period of three consecutive months prior to the election.

As a member you can nominate yourself or member/s as long as they have agreed to serve in that position. If you would like to nominate yourself or another person please email the nomination committee at nominationcommittee@laxdems.com and include the first and last name of the person you're nominating and the reason why you're nominating them. You can also nominate by speaking directly to the individuals on the nominating committee which include; Carla Pena, Terry Benson and Christine White. You can also nominate yourself at the regular October meeting on Monday, October 21st at which the Slate of Nominees will be presented and later voted on at the November meeting on November 18th.

Please consider joining us as we work in 2024 to ensure Democratic victories in this crucial election year. If you have any questions, or would like to be considered, contact any of the members of the Nominating Committee.

2025 Officers:

All officer and executive board positions will be up for election. These include four Officer positions: Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary; as well as five At-Large Executive Board members.

There will be several open seats. Many on the board have served multiple terms and would like to take a break!

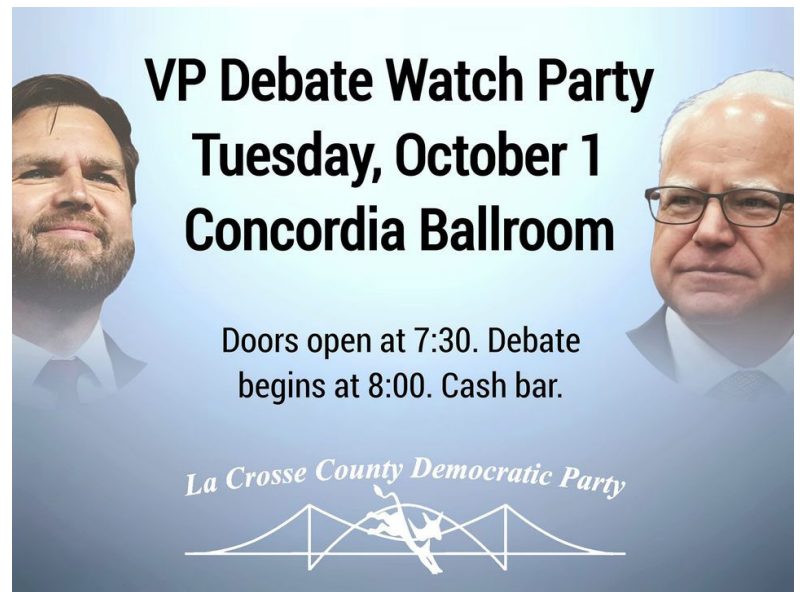
The 2025 Nominating Committee: Anyone interested in running for the 2025 Board should contact any member of the Nominating Committee.

The Process:

September 3 - October 21: Anyone interested in serving on the 2025 Board should contact one of the members of this year's nominating committee. The committee will verify that you meet the qualifications for office and are interested in being on the ballot.

Monday, October 21: At the October LCDP Regular meeting, the Nominating Committee will present the names of all people interested in running for LCDP office to the full membership. The membership is also able to nominate members from the floor at this time. No nominations will be considered after the meeting is adjourned.

Monday, November 18: At the November LCDP Regular meeting, all nominees will be given three minutes to speak to the membership about their reasons for joining the 2025 Board. These speeches will be followed by a vote using the Ranked Choice Election model. The Secretary will announce the results at the November meeting, as soon as the votes have been tabulated.



VP Debate Watch Party
Tuesday, October 1
Concordia Ballroom

Doors open at 7:30. Debate begins at 8:00. Cash bar.

La Crosse County Democratic Party

October 1 Vice President Debate Watch Party.

We will be hosting a Walz/Vance Debate Watch Party on Tuesday, October 1. Doors open at 7:30, debate begins at 8:00pm. The Watch Party will be at the Concordia Ballroom, 1129 La Crosse St.

Stop by the LCDP Office for Raffle Tickets!

La Crosse County Democratic Party



2024 LCDP Raffle!!

1st Prize: A brand new Ebike!

Aventon Solterra Ebike valued at \$1270 or \$500 cash!



2nd Prize: A night's stay for 4 people at the Bentley-Wheeler B&B

Valued at \$330

3rd Prize: \$200 Cash

Tickets \$20 each or 3 for \$50!

Only 300 tickets will be sold. Tickets count as donations to LCDP. Drawing will be held on Saturday, October 19 at 8:00pm at Concordia Ballroom.

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La Crosse County Democratic Party



Annual Fall Dinner Saturday October 19th

Doors open **5:00pm**, dinner served **6pm**
Tickets **\$30** advance or **\$35** after 10/4/24
(NO tickets sold after 10/11; \$10 for just entry no meal)

featuring a prize **raffle**, keynote **speakers**, and
catering from **Mia's Kitchen**: lasagna or vegan option



more info at laxdems.com

Fall Dinner Information

Join us for the 2024 La Crosse County Democratic Party Fall Dinner and Fundraiser!

- Saturday, October 19
- Doors open at 5:00pm, Dinner at 6:00pm, Speakers at 6:30pm.
- Menu will be Lasagna, Salad and Breadsticks provided by Mia's Catering. A vegan, gluten-free lasagna will be available for those who request it.
- Keynote Address will be Ho-Chunk Supreme Court and DPW 2nd Vice-Chair Tricia Zunker. There will also be remarks from local and state-wide candidates and elected officials.
- Tickets are \$30 if purchased before October 4. \$35 before October 11. A \$10 no-dinner ticket will be offered. We are again selling \$25 "Volunteer" tickets which allows you to buy dinner for one of our wonderful volunteers and guests.
- Purchase tickets at <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/lcdpdinner24>.

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JOIN US FOR A FUNDRAISING RECEPTION
IN SUPPORT OF SENATOR BRAD PFAFF

HOST COMMITTEE:

BRENT SMITH, MARY ANN GERRARD,
ROZ SCHNICK, VICKI BURKE, MARGARET WOOD,
JIM & DIANA BIRNBAUM

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3RD

HOME OF BILLY BERGERON & BRANDON RIGGER
CASTLE ON CASS
1419 CASS ST, LA CROSSE, WI 54601
5:30PM-7:00PM

Sponsorship Levels:

\$2,000 - Host | \$1,000 - Co-Host
\$500 - Sponsor | \$250 - Friend | \$50 - Guest

All Contributions Gratefully Accepted

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
PFAFF FOR STATE SENATE
P.O. BOX 684, LA CROSSE, WI 54602

RSVP TO: JONATHAN@BRADPFAFF.COM

Paid for by Pfaff for State Senate

Jill Billings
STATE ASSEMBLY

Join us in support of Jill's campaign
for re-election to the 95th
State Assembly District!

Please join us at the home of
Karen and Mike Keil

1222 Cass St, La Crosse, WI

Friday, October 4th
4:30 - 6:30

Suggested donation: \$50
Please make checks out to
Billings for Assembly or
donate through Act Blue at the
following link:



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STARRING
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LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION FOR DEMOCRACY

In Support of Brad Pfaff and Tara Johnson



MONDAY, OCTOBER 7
5:00 — 7:00 PM



THE ENCORE
AT THE HISTORIC TEMPLE THEATRE
114 S MAIN ST VIROQUA, WI 54665



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REBECCA
COOKE
for CONGRESS

Sen. Brad Pfaff

Invites you to a fundraiser in support of

Rebecca Cooke

Candidate for US Congress, Wisconsin's 3rd District

Hosted by

Sue & Jim Dillenbeck, Patricia Heim
Sue Horne, Jay Lokken & Ken Riley,
Carol & Mike Mader, Dick Record, and
Katie Rowan-Koenen & Scott Koenen

Thursday, October 10th | 5:30pm-7:30pm
La Crosse, WI
Address Provided Upon RSVP

RSVP to Claire@CookeforWisconsin.com or [online here](#)

Contributions or gifts to Cooke for Congress are not tax deductible. Individuals may contribute up to \$3,300 per election (\$6,600 total) to Cooke for Congress. Federal multi-candidate political action committees may contribute up to \$5,000 per election (\$10,000 total). Federal law prohibits contributions from corporations, labor organizations and national banks; from any person contributing another person's funds; from foreign nationals who lack permanent resident status; and from federal government contractors. 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 an election cycle.

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Kamala Harris Signs Are Here!

Pick up signs at our office at 2318 State Rd. Monday-Friday, Noon-6:00pm and Saturday, 10:00am-4:00pm.

Post Card Writing Group



Postcard Writing Group. LCDP Is forming a group who will meet once a week or so to write postcards to fellow Democrats to Get Out the Vote in November. We

know from studies that these postcards are a powerful tool to ensure a strong Democratic turnout, especially in rural areas.

If you are interested, please contact William Garcia at chair@laxdems.com. We are still working out details like date and time, so more details soon.



Letters to the Editor Project

The 3rd CD has created a Letters to the Editor Ideas document. This document contains two ideas for Letters to the Editor every week, complete with talking points and sources. The document is updated every Friday with new ideas. You can access this document any time at https://docs.google.com/document/d/11Tla8R4Qpcz9KEDieD0mLZPkfW2WlaTJjC8II_b1bQ/edit?usp=sharing or email chair@3rdcdwisdems.com to sign up to have the document emailed to you every Friday.

LCDP Lending Library



Several LCDP Executive Board members have been working hard to create a Lending Library at the LCDP offices. We have books on politics, democracy, social justice, anti-racism and more. Visit the LCDP office to borrow any of our

books. Or, consider donating books to expand our library and help other members and friends understand what is at stake in these elections.

Harris Walz T-Shirts Available for \$20 at the LCDP Office

Stop by the office and pick up some business cards to hand out to prospective members.

The office is open 2:00pm-6:00pm Monday-Friday and 10:00am-2:00pm on Saturdays!



Visit the LCDP office to grab our LCDP Election Information magnet!

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Hannah Dull and Grant Mathu are working to create a Young Democrats group for La Crosse County! Follow their new Instagram @laxdems or email them at laxyoungdems@email.com for information. The La Crosse County Young

Democrats meets on the final Wednesday of every month at the LCDP office, 2318 State Rd.

Our Elected Officials

Governor Tony Evers

Office of the Governor
115 East State Capital
Madison, WI 53702
Ph: 608-266-1212

Senator Tammy Baldwin

717 Hart Senate Building
Washington, DC 20510
Ph: 202-224-5653, Fax: 202-224-9787

Senator Ron Johnson (R)

328 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. Office Building
Ph: 202-224-5323

Congressman Derrick Van Orden (R)

1513 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC, 20515-4903
Ph: 202-225-5506

32nd District State Senator Brad Pfaff

State Capitol 22 South
PO Box 7882
Madison, WI 53707
Ph: 608-266-5490, Sen.Pfaff@legis.wisconsin.gov

94th Assembly District Representative Steve Doyle

Room 124 North, State Capitol
P.O. Box 8952
Madison, WI 53708
Ph: 608-266-0631 or 888-534-0094
Fax: 608-282-3694

95th Assembly District Representative Jill Billings

Room 4 West, State Capitol
P.O. Box 8952
Madison, WI 53708
Ph: 608-266-5780

La Crosse County Clerk

Ginny Dankmeyer (Democrat)
(608) 785-9581

La Crosse County District Attorney

Tim Gruenke (Democrat)
(608) 785-9604

La Crosse County Treasurer

Amy Twitchell (Democrat)
(608) 785-9711

LCDP Executive Board Officers

Chair: William Garcia
(512) 660-2610

Vice Chair: Tina Pohlman
vicechair@laxdems.com

Treasurer: Doug Zuege
treasurer@laxdems.com

Secretary: Carla Peña
secretary@laxdems.com

At-Large Board Members:

Ed Burgess
Hannah Dull
Fred Giese
Paul Kruse
Kelly Leibold

College Representative: Jake Williams



Committee Meetings

We really need help with our committees. Please consider joining one of our committees. Information is below!

| Committee | Chair | Chair Contact |
|-------------------------|----------------|--|
| Candidate Recruitment | William Garcia | chair@laxdems.com |
| Communications | William Garcia | chair@laxdems.com |
| Constitution and Bylaws | Carla Pena | secretary@laxdems.com |
| Events/Outreach | Fred Giese | giese.white@gmail.com |
| Fundraising | Doug Zuege | treasurer@laxdems.com |
| Membership | Tina Pohlman | vicechair@laxdems.com |

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How to sign up for monthly contributions

Did you know that you can easily set up a monthly donation to LCDP? This is a fast and easy way to help our party, our candidates and our volunteers. Just go to <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/lcdp2022office> and select Yes, Count Me In! under the Make It Monthly tab on the donation page. Even \$5 a month is of real help as we work to win in 2024.



LCDP Podcast

Have you checked out The LCDP podcast The Democratic Voice, produced in conjunction with WIZM news? Listen and subscribe for opinions and updates of what is



happening in La Crosse County.
<https://www.wizmnews.com/the-democratic-voice-with-william-garcia/>





La Crosse County Democratic Party
P. O. Box 1861
La Crosse, WI 54602 -1861

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Memberships and donations to the La Crosse County Democratic Party ensures we have candidates who share our values, the infrastructure they need to campaign and the support they need to win elections. Consider joining and donating to the party today!

Thank you.

Use these QR codes to:



Join



Donate

Membership Form - All memberships are for 12 months

Please check the dues structure that applies:

_____ \$10 Senior, Student, Limited Income

_____ \$25 General Membership (1 member)

_____ \$35 Pairs (up to 2 members)

Yes! I would like to support the LCDP with a donation of

\$ _____

Total Amount Paid \$ _____

Cash or Check # _____

Make checks payable to:

La Crosse County Democratic Party

Mail to:

P.O. Box 1861

La Crosse, WI 54602-1861

Date _____

Name _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Email _____

Occupation _____

Phone Number _____

Use this QR code to go directly to our Membership page using Act Blue
Or use

www.laxdems.com/join-the-party

