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OFFICE HOURS: The Democratic Resource Center office hours are **from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Thursday**. The office will be closed if Eau Claire schools are closed due to inclement weather.



Democratic Party General Meeting

Thursday, January 18, 2018, 5:30 p.m.

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JANUARY GENERAL PARTY MEETING

Our next General Party Meeting will be held on Thursday, January 18 at 5:30 p.m. at the Democratic Resource Center, 440 Broadway St. Eau Claire. Attending meetings is a simple way to meet fellow Democrats and have a say in what the party accomplishes. At this month's meeting we will be learning more about the Democrats running for Eau Claire County Circuit Judge, Sarah Harless and Emily Long.

We will also be discussing the following resolution in order to appeal to Rep. Ron Kind to co-sponsor H.R. 676, Expand and Improved Medicare for All Act.

WHEREAS, the private, for-profit market approach to health insurance has failed, leaving millions of Americans uninsured and underinsured;
 WHEREAS, up to 45,000 Americans die annually because they lack access to health insurance;

WHEREAS, the current for-profit health insurance system serves to increase inequality by providing worse health outcomes for working class and poor people,

WHEREAS, access to health care is a fundamental human right;
 WHEREAS, a single-payer, "Medicare for All" system is the most efficient, just, and humane way to deliver health coverage to all Americans;
 WHEREAS, a "Medicare for All" system enjoys wide popularity among the Democratic Party's rank and file, and across the nation regardless of party affiliation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the membership of the Eau Claire County Democratic Party urges Congressman Ron Kind to immediately sign on as a co-sponsor to H.R. 676, the Expanded and Improved Medicare for All Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon passage of this resolution, the Eau Claire County Democratic Party will reach out to other counties in the Wisconsin 3rd Congressional District, urging their passage of similar resolutions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Eau Claire County Democratic Party looks forward to working with Congressman Kind to build support for Medicare for All in our county and beyond.

For more information about the bill: www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/676

Calendar of Events

JANUARY EVENTS:

- Thurs., Jan. 11 10 a.m. Coffee Klatch Democratic Resource Center
- Mon., Jan. 15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service
- Thurs., Jan. 18 10 a.m. Coffee Klatch Democratic Resource Center
- Thurs., Jan. 18 5:30 p.m. General Party Meeting Democratic Resource Center
- Sat., Jan 20 10 a.m.-4 p.m. National Women's March Eau Claire (See page 2)
- Thurs., Jan. 25 10 a.m. Coffee Klatch Democratic Resource Center

FEBRUARY EVENTS:

- Thurs., Feb. 1 10 a.m. Coffee Klatch Democratic Resource Center
- Wed., Feb. 7 7 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting Democratic Resource Center
- Thurs., Feb. 8 10 a.m. Coffee Klatch Democratic Resource Center
- Thurs., Feb. 15 10 a.m. Coffee Klatch Democratic Resource Center
- Thurs., Feb. 15 5:30 p.m. General Party Meeting Democratic Resource Center
- Tue., Feb. 20 Spring Primary Election **GET OUT AND VOTE!**
- Thurs., Feb. 22 10 a.m. Coffee Klatch Democratic Resource Center

MARCH EVENTS:

- Sat., Mar. 10 2018 3rd CD Convention Sparta, WI (Details on page 2)

ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY A SUCCESS

We hope you had a joyous holiday season! Thank you to everyone who attended and contributed food to our Annual Holiday Party last month.

It was a wonderful evening filled with conversation and delicious food. In addition to the festivities, we passed a resolution authorizing the purchase of a data management system to help us manage our membership data, collect donations and payments, and coordinate and track volunteers more efficiently.

We also heard from candidates running for various local offices this spring. Further, we elected the four at-large members of the Executive Committee and held a special election for a new co-vice chair. Congratulations to at-large members Bonnie Fisher, Michael Turner, Mat Riedel, and Steph Regenauer, and to our co-vice chair, Gloria Hochstein!



MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

“Everybody can be great. . . because anybody can serve. You don’t have to have a college degree to serve. You don’t have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love.”
--Martin Luther King, Jr.



3RD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 2018 CONVENTION

The 3rd CD 2018 convention will be held on Saturday, March 10, 2018 in Sparta WI. Monroe County Democratic Party will host the event at the American Legion Hall, 1116 Angelo Road, Sparta WI.

Registration will take place from 9-10:30 a.m., with the call to order beginning promptly at 10 a.m. There will likely be a full day of candidate speakers.

Each county may submit up to 10 resolutions for consideration at the convention. All resolutions must be date stamped in the chair email box by 11:59 p.m., Saturday, February 24th.

Delegates and alternates must have their dues paid by 11:59 p.m., Saturday, February 24th. Delegates are urged to register online or by mail prior to February 24, 2018, so we have a head count for food. Pre-paid registration is \$25 and pay at the door fee is \$30 cash or check.

Delegates chosen to attend the 3rd CD convention are also considered to be delegates to the state convention in Oshkosh, June 1-2, 2018. If you wish to be a delegate, contact Beverly at wickstrom@gclawyers.com.

WOMEN’S MARCH—EAU CLAIRE WI



Saturday, January 20, 2018 is the Women’s March Wisconsin Day of Action in Eau Claire, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. On the anniversary of the amazing Women’s March, we will come together to celebrate one year of action and get ready to make a change in 2018.

Our day of action will focus on overcoming racial injustice and celebrating the work of Women of Color in our state and our communities and overcoming voter suppression to push power to the polls in the coming elections. Our day will start with a rally and then march to another location for an afternoon of empowering speakers, voter registration, community service, and workshops that will leave people ready to rock the world with our overwhelming power in unity for 2018 elections and beyond.

Anyone who is interested in helping with the event or with voter registration, please contact Beverly at wickstrom@gcwlawyers.com.

To follow the Women’s March across America, go to: <http://www.resistandprotest.com/event/women%E2%80%99s-march-wi-anniversary-day-action-eau-claire-2018>.

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For daily updates on State politics in general: <http://www.thewheelerreport.com/> or <https://www.politico.com/>