

Democrats of Garland County

Newsletter for the *Garland County Democratic Committee*



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Wednesday, August 19
5:00 .m. - social gathering
5:30 p.m. - gavel
@ ASMSA

GCDCC August Meeting
Speaker: Steve Lowry,
President, GC Young Democrats

Democratic Committee meets monthly
on the third Wednesday.



Mondays in August @ 12:00 noon @ HQ

No speakers are scheduled for the dog days of August
Brown Bag Lunches Continue with Discussions of Current Issues



Wednesday, August 19 @ 5:00 p.m @ ASMSA

GCDCC July Meeting

Speaker Steve Lowry, president of the Garland
County Young Democrats, recently represented
Arkansas at Boys Nation in Washington, D.C.

An announcement will be made following the business
meeting and decisions will have to be made.



Tuesday, September 8, 5:00 p.m. @ HQ

Executive Council Meeting

As always, many items on the agenda.

Garland County Fair - September 10 – 15, 2015

Wanted: a committed organizer and several good volunteers
to set up and staff the Democrats' booth – another means of
keeping our presence in the community. If the membership
votes to sponsor a Democratic booth, we'll need a
coordinator!



Wednesday, September 16, 5:00 p.m. @ ASMSA

GCDCC monthly meeting



Friday, September 25, 5:15-8:00 p.m.

1st Annual White Donkey Auction

Dinner Attire Suggested

(See attached flyer)

**Tickets will be on sale at the 8/19 meeting, from
members and at the Headquarters**

Call Dave Welch for information: 651/695-1515



Filing for Office – 2016 Election:
November 2-9, 2015 – [Republican] SB 8/Act 4
Primary Election: March 1, 2016

Dramatic HQ Facelift a Major Success

Another dream come true! Compliments about our new
signage are coming in from the community as well as from
Democrats...we're being noticed – not only for our
responsible principles but for our (external) attractiveness as
well. Thank you to those who donated generously to pay in
full for our splendid new visibility. This project was
spearheaded by Dave Welch. A round of applause, please.

Future Powerful Tool for the Democratic HQ

State of the art television will be a future installation at the
Headquarters. Why a television? Sure, all of us have TV's
at home. For major political events and election returns, a
sense of community is invigorating, stimulating, whether we
win or grieve. Educational political movies will be shown.
Potlucks might be just the ticket. The major part of the cost
has been funded by a big-hearted, anonymous donor (first
initial: J). We must be patient with our research team, Mark
Toth and Mary Lowe, for they are doing intensive
investigation of features, costs, streaming, cable, placement,
and myriad details.

Consciousness Raising

Why the flurry of parties, fundraisers for Democrats? It's not
all about money, which is essential for our operations and
contributions to candidates. Esprit de corps is a most
important focus of these get-togethers. We're strengthened
by our unity – laughter helps, too!

Search for Democratic Candidates, Poll WATCHERS

The importance of trained poll watchers must not be
underestimated, especially this election. Boring job? Maybe.
Sometimes, though, civic duty takes precedence over
entertainment. This is one of those times. The rules are
simple, but understanding the legal obligations of the role is
important. The Other Party is watching us. We must
reciprocate! A concentrated training session will be offered
at the Democratic HQ. Please note: the chair cannot
authorize anyone unless she or he has been trained as a poll
watcher. Let's concentrate on watching to see that the
election process is done with integrity. It's more effective
than irritating voters by waving signs at the polls. This
election – more important than ever!!!!

Welcome to new members:

Leslie Ramsey and Beverly Johnson

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