

# Democrats of Garland County

Newsletter for the *Garland County Democratic Central Committee*



2015 – Issue 3  
Barbara Thexton, Editor

March 2015



## Calendar

**Wednesday, March 18**  
**5:00 .m. social gathering**  
**5:30 p.m. gavel**  
**@ ASMSA**

### **GCDCC March Meeting**

Democratic Committee meets on the  
third Wednesday of the month

## March Is Women's History Month



### **Monday, March 23, 12:00 noon**

Ann Hair will present  
"From Stanton to Steinham"



### **Monday, April 13, 12:00 noon**

Bob Nash - "Creating Jobs and  
Stimulating the Economy"

### **Tuesday, April 14, 5:30 p.m.**

@ HQ – Executive Council meeting.

### **Wednesday, April 15 @ 5:30 p.m.**

GCDCC April Meeting @ ASMSA

## Weather: A Mighty Force

That plucky little Pennsylvania rodent guy, Punxsutawney Phil, prognosticated that spring would be yet another six weeks away. Suppose he was educated in meteorology by Mother Nature?

Garland County Democrats have been compelled to reschedule Hazel Wright's BBL presentation and we postponed our GCDCC February monthly Committee meeting twice. Your safety is more important than any business or meeting. We shall, therefore, hit the ground sprinting in March. We have no time to squander!

### **Communication request**

Change of address, telephone number, or  
email address, notify editor:  
Barbara Thexton: 760-3837, 276-3837 or  
[bthexton@cablelynx.com](mailto:bthexton@cablelynx.com).

## GCDCC Membership

*115 Members and Still Counting*

We are stagnating. Our membership is stalled at 115, still leaving only 85 more to reach 200. We would be remiss not to reach out to others to encourage them to join. People like to be invited.

...and do we have a deal for them – only \$20.00 for one year (until the filing period next March)!

## Squeaky Wheeling

*It's not good enough to do what is good for the majority, but to do what is good for all of us.*

Rabbi Kerry Baker to Texas Legislators

When we Democrats contact senators and representatives – U.S. and Arkansas – we usually get the feeble answer: "I vote the way most of my constituents want me to vote."

Do you remember how the tea party called, called, called like a machine to all of our elected officials? Apparently, that worked...and scared too many of our office holders into voting as those "constituents" demanded, whether or not they were from their districts.

So, how are you doing in contacting our Arkansas state and federal representatives and senators? That the "majority" (the 'far right') signifies a greater part of political and social principles in this state may not be accurate. Maybe they just squeak and squawk LOUDly to the tunes of Fox news and the like.

Suggestion to Democrats: write, email, call those who job it is to "represent" us! We have to remind them that we, too, are their constituents. Will you do your part? For your convenience a listing of elected officials' contact information is attached.

Letters to the editor are in order. Instead of those tiresome diatribes by the usual crowd, readers welcome common sense and reason – and, yes, they do read.

## Benefits of Squeaky Wheeling

Information from Judy Zitko about the 'we the people' website to sign the petition to the White House Administration was forwarded to our members and friends at 1:30 p.m. today. The petition was "File charges against the 47 U.S. Senators in violation of The Logan Act in attempting to undermine a nuclear agreement" (Tom Cotton's attempt to undermine due process of diplomacy). The number of signatures on the petition climbed from 43,000 to a mighty 188,752 and signatures are still being posted. Several of you emailed that you had signed. Thanks!

Quoted from the 'we the people' site: *On March 9th, 2015, forty-seven United States Senators committed a treasonous offense when they decided to violate the Logan Act, a 1799 law which forbids unauthorized citizens from negotiating with foreign governments. Violation of the Logan Act is a felony, punishable under federal law with imprisonment of up to three years.*

Sounds serious, doesn't it!! Either the smart Harvard-educated freshman senator didn't bother to check laws/protocol or he decided to ignore bothersome laws.

The point is: we must be pestering these elected officials to do what is right. Although it seems sometimes that we're not getting anywhere, continued communication of our principles is important – and may be life changing.

## Positions Available for Service. Good Benefits!

Committee Photographer

Hospitality Coordinator

Many Authors of Letters to the Editor  
Sentinel(s) vigilant about legislative issues