



The next meeting of the Winnebago County Democratic Party is:

**Dec 12th**

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***The Delta***

515 N Sawyer Street  
Oshkosh, Wisconsin

**7:00 - 9:00 PM**

***Topics to be discussed  
this month:***

*Presentation on the ACLU*

*Indigo Diner Update &  
Organizing*

*2008 Candidates and Elections*

*Local Issues Updates*

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**[winnebagodems.com](http://winnebagodems.com)**

# ***December '07 WCDP News***

Winnebago County Democratic Party 920-203-6883

[www.winnebagodems.org](http://www.winnebagodems.org)

## **Renew Your Membership In the New Year!**

*(And once you finish this newsletter, pass it on to a friend and urge them to join!)*

With the New Year, we will be kicking off an historic year in 2008. We will be in the final stretch of the Bush Administration, the Presidential Campaign will be in high gear, and change will be in the air.

But, this change will not happen without your efforts. National change will happen in Wisconsin, Winnebago County and your community.

Most areas of Winnebago County have a very close split in the Democratic/Republican vote. The County itself went to Jim Doyle by 50.49% in 2006, and to Bush by 52.53%.

We are a 50/50 county in a 50/50 state (John Kerry won Wisconsin by a slight 11,384 votes in 2004, and Al Gore by only 5,708 in 2000).

We can keep Wisconsin from becoming 2008's Florida or Ohio by making sure we have the organization in place now. And that organization starts with expanding membership.

Please update your membership today, and pass your newsletter along to a new member. There is a membership form on back!

If you would like more copies of newsletters and memberships for the purpose of recruiting, please let us know. We will get them to you.

You can also urge prospective members to join online at [www.winnebagodems.com](http://www.winnebagodems.com).

Electoral success this fall will be determined by the base we build now. Recruit friends to the party now!

Please join or renew your membership! See the form on back.

***Join the Party***

Send Check for \$25 to: Evelyn Rieckmann Treasurer - 9680 N Oakwood Avenue, Neenah, WI 54956-9337

*Paid for by the Winnebago County Democratic Party - Jef Hall, Chair*

## ***Do You Want to Run for Public Office This Spring?***

Local, non-partisan offices are elected this spring. These include City Council, Town Board, County Board and School Board positions.

Primaries for these positions are in February, with the final election on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

To get on the ballot for these positions, you need to gather signatures during the month of December.

Your Winnebago County Democratic Party is available to help you run for any of these positions.

If you have any questions about running for local public office please contact Jef Hall, Chair at [jef@jefhall.com](mailto:jef@jefhall.com) or 920.203.6883.

Remember, all politics are local! You can make a big difference in our community at this level.

## ***Upcoming WCDP Monthly Meeting Programs:***

December 12<sup>th</sup> – Members of the ACLU will discuss their efforts both locally and statewide.

January 9<sup>th</sup> – Members of local unions will discuss labor history.

### ***Fall 2008 Candidate Websites***

***Roger Kittelson for Congress:***  
[www.kittelsonforcongress.com](http://www.kittelsonforcongress.com)

***Jess King for Sate Senate:***  
[www.jesskingforsenate.com.com](http://www.jesskingforsenate.com.com)

***Gordon Hintz for State Assembly:***  
[www.hintzforassembly.com](http://www.hintzforassembly.com)

***Mark Westphal for State Assembly:***  
[www.markwestphal.org](http://www.markwestphal.org)

[www.winnebagodems.com](http://www.winnebagodems.com)

## **Get Involved! 2008 Pres. Websites:**

Joe Biden  
joebiden.com

Hillary Clinton  
hillaryclinton.com

Christopher Dodd  
chrisdodd.com

John Edwards  
johnedwards.com

Mike Gravel  
gravel2008.us

Dennis Kucinich  
kucinich.us

Barack Obama  
barackobama.com

Bill Richardson  
richardsonforpresident.com

## ***Upcoming Events***

**Mon Dec 10<sup>th</sup> – Outagamie County Dems Party Meeting**  
7:00PM – Columbus Club - 2531 N Richmond St, Appleton  
Info: Lee Kasten & Diane Lang – 920.858.1039 – ffspreader1@yahoo.com

**Wed, Dec 12<sup>th</sup> – Winnebago County Dems Monthly Meeting**  
7:00PM – Delta Restaurant – 515 N Sawyer, Oshkosh  
Info: Jef Hall – 920.203.6883 – [jef@jef4wi.com](mailto:jef@jef4wi.com)

**Friday, Dec 28<sup>th</sup> – Fox Valley Unity Breakfast**  
7:00AM – BJ Clancey's 3341 S Oneida St – Appleton  
Info: Jef Hall – 920.203.6883 – [jef@jef4wi.com](mailto:jef@jef4wi.com)

**Wed, Jan 9<sup>th</sup> – Winnebago County Dems Monthly Meeting**  
7:00PM – Delta Restaurant – 515 N Sawyer, Oshkosh  
Info: Jef Hall – 920.203.6883 – [jef@jef4wi.com](mailto:jef@jef4wi.com)

**Mon Jan 14<sup>th</sup> – Outagamie County Dems Party Meeting**  
7:00PM – Columbus Club - 2531 N Richmond St, Appleton  
Info: Lee Kasten & Diane Lang – 920.858.1039 – ffspreader1@yahoo.com

**Friday, Jan 25<sup>th</sup> – Fox Valley Unity Breakfast**  
7:00AM – BJ Clancey's 3341 S Oneida St – Appleton  
Info: Jef Hall – 920.203.6883 – [jef@jef4wi.com](mailto:jef@jef4wi.com)

**Sat, Mar 8<sup>th</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Indigo Dinner**  
6:00PM – La Sure's Hall – 3125 S Washburn St– Oshkosh  
Info: Jef Hall – 920.203.6883 – [jef@jef4wi.com](mailto:jef@jef4wi.com)

**Do you have question or suggestions for the Winnebago County Democratic Party?**

Contact Jef Hall, Chair at 920.203.6883 or [jef@jefhall.com](mailto:jef@jefhall.com)

## A Message from Senator Russ Feingold

Dear Wisconsin Progressive,

I hope that everyone had a safe and happy holiday season. While I will continue to stand up for the values we share, the New Year brings with it increased opportunity to get our country moving in the right direction.

And while we must fight hard this year to take back the State Assembly, increase our seats in the State Senate, get veto-proof majorities in Congress, and elect a Democrat to the White House in November, there is an election in April that deserves our attention.

If last year's volatile State Supreme Court race was any glimpse of things to come, outside special interests will do everything they can to unseat Justice Louis Butler.

Justice Butler is a highly regarded legal scholar who attended Lawrence University in Appleton and law school at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. For the last 11 years, he has served with distinction as a faculty member of the National Judicial College, where he teaches criminal law to judges from across the country and around the world. Justice Butler has spent the last 15 years as a judge, building a record we can all be proud of as he's worked to make our state stronger and safer.

There are so many important issues that the Wisconsin Supreme Court rules on every year, and the Justices that serve on the Court make decisions that can have a dramatic influence on our state for generations to come. We need leaders like Justice Butler to continue to bring his values, experience and independence to the highest court in Wisconsin.

I'm going to fight to keep him on the State Supreme Court and I hope you will join me. For more information, or to join our effort to support Justice Butler, please contact Butler Campaign Coordinator Peter Knudson at [peter@louisbutler.com](mailto:peter@louisbutler.com) or (414) 755-2067.

With high hopes,



Russ Feingold  
United States Senator  
[www.russfeingold.org](http://www.russfeingold.org)

### Lisa Neubauer Appointed District II Circuit Court of Appeals Judge

Senator Russ Feingold has also asked us to help recently appointed Court of Appeals Judge Lisa Neubauer in this spring's campaign.

Recently appointed by Gov. Doyle, Lisa Neubauer has served as an attorney at Foley & Lardner LLP since 1989 and was previously a law clerk for Judge Barbara B. Crabb in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin. She received a B.A. degree in Political Science at the University of Wisconsin – Madison and her J.D. from the University of Chicago Law School with honors. Lisa is a former member of the Wisconsin Federal Judicial Nominating Commission and has been named a 2006 and 2007 Wisconsin Super Lawyer. She has served as a board member for the Racine Area United Way, Legal Action of Wisconsin, and the Equal Justice Fund. Lisa and her husband, Jeff, live in Racine where they raised their three children, Katherine, Greta and Sam.

To get involved, contact Lisa Neubauer at [lisaneubauer@gmail.com](mailto:lisaneubauer@gmail.com) or 262-633-6822.

Nomination Papers for spring 2008 elections are at [www.jef4wi.com/spring2008nom.html](http://www.jef4wi.com/spring2008nom.html)

