

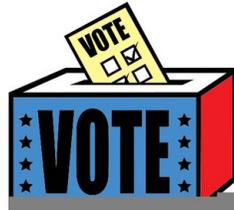


Democratic Party Of SHAWANO COUNTY

2022 March/April Newsletter

SPRING ELECTION

Our #1 job as citizens is to vote. The Spring Election is coming up fast, and all voters will have local races on their ballots for County Board and school board. You can view your ballot and sign up for absentee ballots for all 2022 elections at www.myvote.wi.gov. Residents of the Shawano School District are encouraged to vote for Diane Hoffman, Jeana Hoffman Winslow and Chris Gull. The Town of Red Springs will have a referendum to get money out of politics. Vote YES!



Weekends of Action will be held on March 19-20, 26-27 and April 2-6. Contact us to help phone bank and knock doors.

ZOOMING WITH LT. GOVERNOR CANDIDATES

State Assembly Representative Sarah Rodriguez will join us on March 16th. She is a small business owner, policymaker and health professional. She wants all workers to have family-supporting jobs, all schools to be great schools, and everyone to have access to the world's best healthcare. (www.sarahforwi.com)



On April 20th Peng Her will join us. Born in Laos, Peng emigrated to America with his family from a refugee camp in Thailand in 1976. His professional career and public service includes work on Governor Evers' educational advisory councils. His lifetime focus has been on solving problems, advocating for shared values, and finding solutions that move us forward. (www.pengherforwisconsin.com)

AMPLIFYING OUR VALUES

We have been working on several ways to articulate our views to the public. In addition to our participation on the WTCH 960 AM Breakfast Club, we are putting ads on WTCH and WOWN 99.3 FM. In the near future we will be convening our Shawano Task Force to decide on the messages for some billboards. Let us know if you'd be willing to be a part of this group and help fundraise.

In an effort to improve our social media messaging we are looking for computer help in website and graphic design. Let us know if you or someone you know would like a part-time job.

CONVENTION DELEGATES NEEDED

The 8th Congressional District will be having a hybrid convention on May 1st. Candidates for United States Senator and Lieutenant Governor have been invited to appear either virtually or in person at the convention in Appleton. Let us know if you are interested.

HOUSE PARTIES

Final-Five Voting is gaining momentum among both conservatives and progressives as an answer to combating money in politics. There will be some virtual sessions coming up on March 22 and 29 at 7:00 pm and April 2 at 11:00 am. The concept will be explained at these zoom "House Parties".

Upcoming Events:

March 10 and April 14: Breakfast Club WTCH 960 AM 8:00 am

March 16: 7:00 PM meeting with Sarah Rodriguez

April 20: 7:00 PM meeting with Peng Her

 **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

Chair's Comments

There is a lot to be concerned about in our world right now. From the Republican efforts to try and overturn Wisconsin's Presidential outcome with taxpayer funds, to bills Governor Evers thankfully vetoed which would have made voting and abortions more difficult in Wisconsin, to Russia's war on Ukraine's citizens; democracy has been under attack. We need to continue to do all we can to maintain our precious democracy.

One setback has been the court's stay on ways to return ballots in the spring election. Voters will not be able to drop off their absentee ballots at the box outside the City of Shawano's City Hall or the box outside the Town of Wescott's Town Hall. Ad-

ditionally, you cannot legally return a ballot for someone else.

A better piece of news is the decision by Wisconsin's Supreme Court on fair voting maps. This was about the best we could have hoped for given the "least change" decision by our Republican legislature. To learn more about the development of fair maps go to www.fairmapswi.com.

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