

**Johnson County Democrats Central Committee Minutes
Thursday, Sept. 5, 2013**

1. Approval of Agenda – Approved Without Objection
2. Approval of Aug. 1, 2013 Minutes – Approved Without Objection
3. Chair - Report
4. Treasurer – Report

Treasurer's Report Aug 2013						
<u>Date</u>	<u>What</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>Encumbered</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Actual Reserv</u>	<u>Bank Balance</u>
07/31/2013	JUL Balances				\$6,835.79	\$6,835.79
08/01/2013	Pete Ungaro - Parade Expense	\$187.27			\$6,648.52	\$6,648.52
08/04/2013	Mike Carbery - JC Fair Expense	\$245.76			\$6,402.76	\$6,402.76
08/04/2013	James Tate - 175 lbs popcorn	\$147.90			\$6,254.86	\$6,254.86
08/06/2013	Verizon Wireless (refund)	-\$24.39			\$6,279.25	\$6,279.25
08/06/2013	Act Blue + HOF + Unsolicited			\$343.21	\$6,622.46	\$6,622.46
08/06/2013	JC A Assn + BBQ Bldg C rent		\$775.00		\$5,847.46	\$6,622.46
08/06/2013	Adcraft Printing	\$14.98			\$5,832.48	\$6,607.48
08/15/2013	Act Blue			\$25.00	\$5,857.48	\$6,632.48
08/15/2013	Act Blue Fee			-\$0.99	\$5,856.49	\$6,631.49
08/30/2013	USPS - NL Ice Crm Soc Bulk Mail		\$787.20		\$5,069.29	\$6,631.49
08/30/2013	Interest			\$0.56	\$5,069.85	\$6,632.05

5. Exec. Committee Reports (if any) – (The affordable Care Act would be a good thing to have forums on. Perhaps this is something we can do after the BBQ)
 - a. Diana Coberly spoke about getting the people who spoke on the Affordable Care Act at the 2nd District to Iowa City for a forum.
 - b. Pauline Taylor from UIHC also spoke on Obamacare.
 - i. There is a lot of misinformation about the Affordable Care Act. Visit Healthcare.org for more information
 - c. Dennis Roseman spoke on the planks from our County Platform. We are on record of supporting all International Law.
 - d. John Deeth spoke on the Caucuses in January. It is complicated but historically both parties work together with their Caucuses so they are on the same day. The Republicans did not talk with the Democrats this time and chose January 25th which is the Jewish Sabbath. We have had Caucuses on Saturdays before and they were always less attended. The Democrats are trying to get the Republicans to change their date. We also need to start looking at places and clusters.
 - i. Mike said that our 1st in the Nation status is already in trouble. We need to be on the same day

6. Recognition of Elected Representatives – Rod Sullivan, Brad Kunkle, Janet Lyness, Patrick Hughes
7. Guest Speaker: Marybeth Gardam of Move to Amend (www.movetoamend.org)
 - a. 85% think Corporations have too much power and influence
 - b. Move to Amend is educating people on how the Supreme Court has been used to transfer power from the people to Corporations.
 - c. Working to overturn Citizen's United
 - d. Organizing people – a diverse group and a campaign that crosses all races and financial diversity
 - e. Iowa needs to take a hard stance on Citizens United
 - f. The next Iowa City meeting will be September 24th at 6 PM. 1st Ave HyVee
8. Old Business
 - Free Lunch - 'pass the box' \$71 raised tonight (Fri., Aug 2) - Robin Roseman
 - Election(s) of Central Committee representatives (if any)
 - a. John Deeth resigned to make room. Matthew Pierce was voted in his spot (Precinct IC 11)
 - Election(s) of 2nd District Central Committee representatives (if any) – Danielle Holiday was approved
9. New Business
 - ICE: Data & Communication Committee Report
 - Please sign up as a volunteer on line at jcdems.org.
 - We've had 400 hits in the last 30 days
 - Greg Johnson has worked hard on the site. Tom moved that we pay him \$450 for the work he has done. Seconded. Approved.
 - BBQ Committee met 8/12 & 9/4. Many wheels in motion. Sponsor mailing out soon.
 - The committee is working on music for the BBQ, tickets are now available at JCDems.org – either using ActBlue or a form to send in. Tickets will not be handed out. A list of people who have paid will be kept at the door. No one will be turned away – if you can't afford a ticket we do have sponsors. We do not have a speaker yet but Mike is working with the party. Please consider donating something for the Silent Auction to help us raise money. We have received two "baskets" so far.
 - Johnson County - Cedar County Dems Picnic Aug 3 a big success! Need to do the same with Washington County Dems and Keokuk County Dems (Senate District 39). Washington County Fundraiser is Sun. Oct. 6, 12 noon at Washington Country Fairgrounds. Food catered by Café Dodici.
 - 2nd District HOF Lori Bears, Bill & Pat Sueppel, Kim Painter are the JC Dems inductees. Hotel Ottumwa, 107 E 2nd St, Ottumwa, IA (641-682-8051) Saturday, September 21, 2013 Social hour (cash bar) will begin at 4:00 PM with dinner and awards to follow. Tickets are \$35 and can be reserved by contacting Anita at

annmarie4765@gmail.com or 641-218-4699. HOF immediately after 2nd District Central Committee meeting at 1pm at the same location.

- 2nd D Workshop 8/24 Wm. Penn College, Oskaloosa. 13 JC Dems attended.
 - North Liberty outreach ice cream social with JC County elected officials and Congressman Loeb sack. Monday, September 16, 5-7 pm, Penn Meadows Park (next to Penn Elementary) in North Liberty
 - Other and New Business
10. Speakers and/or Announcements (3 minutes each)
 11. Meeting dates:
 - Exec. Committee - Thurs., Sept. 26, 2013 @6pm. Iowa City Public Library, Room E
 - Central Committee -Thurs., Oct. 3, 2013 @ 7pm, Location TBD
 12. Adjourn

Events

1. Harkin Steak Fry Sun. Sept. 15, 1-5
2. North Liberty Meet Your Elected Official Event: Ice Cream Social, Mon. Sept. 16, 5-7 pm at Penn Meadows Park (next to Penn School).
3. 2nd District Dems HOF. Sat., Sept. 21, 2013. Hotel Ottumwa, 107 E 2nd St, Ottumwa, IA (641-682-8051). 4 pm social hour, dinner to follow.
4. UI Homecoming Parade: Fri. Oct 4, 5:30pm with UDeMs
5. Washington County Fundraiser is Sun. Oct. 6, 12 noon at Washington Country Fairgrounds. Food catered by Café Dodici.
6. Fall BBQ: Sunday Oct.13, 3-7pm at Johnson County Fairgrounds.

Thursday, September 26 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Please Join Representative Mary Mascher, Representative Vicki Lensing. Representative Dave Jacoby and Representative Sally Stutsman for an evening reception event with new House Democratic Leader Mark Smith

Special Guest: Zach Wahls

The Kirkwood Room
515 Kirkwood Room-Governor's Ridge
Iowa City

Hosts —\$500 Sponsors—\$250 Friends—\$100 Supporter—\$50

All Contributions Welcome

Please make checks payable to:

House Truman Fund

2012 Sherman Dr.
Iowa City, Iowa 52240

RSVP to Sarah West 515-491-2095 or swest@iowademocrats.org Questions contact: Mary Mascher 319-351-2826

1st Annual Silent Auction & Raffle

The JCDems have decided to hold a Silent Auction and Raffle at this year's JCDems BBQ (October 13, 2013 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds Bldg C from 3-7). We are looking for donations for either a silent auction or raffle.

Silent Auction – For a silent auction your item(s)/basket will be on a table with a bidding sheet in front of it. The bidding sheet will include the name of the item, donator's name, minimum bid and actual value of the item. Bidders will fill in an amount higher than the minimum or latest bid along with their name. At the end of the time limit the bidder with the highest bid will win the basket.

Raffle – For the raffle we will sell ticket at 1 for \$1 or 6 for \$5. Tickets will be placed in a box and the winning bid will be drawn. Raffle items are usually a larger dollar amount than the auction.

50/50 – similar to Raffle except the winning prize will be ½ of the money used to buy tickets. The other half will go to the JCDems.

GREAT FOR BUSINESSES – Because the bidding sheet will have the donator's name it will be a great way for businesses to do some advertising. JCDems will see that you are donating to help the JCDems. When the raffle is being drawn the person/business donating the item will also be announced (as well as noted on the item for people to see as they browse).

GREAT FOR ARTISTS – Get your work out there for people to see. Do you paint? Donate a painting. Do you quilt? Donate a quilt. Do you sew? Sew something to donate. Woodworker? Donate a bird house, book shelf anything you want to make! Because we are Democrats any donations of political memorabilia will be appreciated.

NO ITEM TOO SMALL – if you can't donate a lot you can always donate smaller items that we can combine into a larger basket (no items will be combined/broken up unless agreed to by donator).

Anyone can donate! - Items do not have to be new. If you have DVDs that you no longer watch you can put them in a basket along with microwave popcorn, wine, or whatever to make a date night basket. Put the items for an Italian/Mexican/Greek/Scandinavian dinner in a basket.

Please contact Info@jcdems.org with the following information of what you would like to donate.

(Business) Name, Item(s) donated, value of item(s) donated. Can this be combined with other items? Would you prefer Silent Auction or