

Clay County Democrats  
Monthly Meeting Summary  
Thursday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018

The Clay County Democrats Central Committee met May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 at 6:30 PM at the ICN Room in the Spencer Public Library. Eighteen members attended the meeting.

**1. DISTRICT CONVENTION UPDATE/FEEDBACK:**

- Five Democratic candidates for Governor attended the District Convention. Ross Wilburn was not in attendance.
- The District endorsed David Johnson who is running as an Independent for Iowa Senate.

**2. CANDIDATE SUPPORT AND UPDATES:**

- **Ryan Odor:** Ryan now has a Webpage: <https://www.odorforiowahouse.com> and a Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/Odor4IAhouse>. He indicated he's been very busy with his fulltime job and the campaign but continues to meet and visit with people in the area. Ryan mentioned he'd like to have an event such as the Democratic Wing Ding on a smaller scale. He'll continue to brainstorm and let us know how things progress.
- **Dan Skelton:** Dan stated his campaign is up and running! There are three seats open and three candidates. Dan does have yard signs available! He may be reached at: 712-363-3984 or e-mail at the following: [dskelton@webbwireless.net](mailto:dskelton@webbwireless.net)

**3. UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- **John Delaney** – May 14<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m. at **The Bear in Spencer**. John has been the United States Representative for Maryland's 6th congressional district since 2013 and is running for President of the United States in 2020.
- **John Norris** – May 20<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m. at **Spencer Schools Administration Bldg. Mtg Room B**.

**4. ORGANIZING TO GET OUT THE VOTE:**

- Dan Skelton, Ryan Odor and Linda Delaughter reported on Dan & Ryan's postcard to be sent out prior to Memorial Day. They plan to have final draft done by the weekend.
- May 9<sup>th</sup> - Precinct Leads will be e-mailed list of active Democrats by precinct.
- May 10<sup>th</sup> - June 5<sup>th</sup>: - Precinct leads will review list and make outreach calls to Democrats they know within their precinct. The purpose is to: 1) Encourage Democrats to vote in the Primary. 2) Encourage Democrats to phone others to vote in the Primary.
- May 10<sup>th</sup> - June 5<sup>th</sup>: - Democrats called by Precinct leads: - Make calls to their friend encouraging them to vote in the Primary on June 5<sup>th</sup> and to phone additional friends to remind them to vote!
- May 23<sup>rd</sup>- 25<sup>th</sup>: - Dan & Ryan postcards to be mailed

**4. NEW VOTER ID LAW:** There was a brief conversation regarding the new Iowa ID Law with the following information shared: *During calendar year 2018* voters will be asked to show their ID before voting at the polls. Anyone who does not have the necessary ID will be asked to sign an oath verifying their identity. They will then be allowed to cast a regular ballot.

*Beginning January 1, 2019*, Iowa voters will be required to show a driver's license, non-driver's ID, passport, military ID, veterans ID, or Voter ID Card at the polls before they vote. Additional information is available on the Iowa Secretary of State webpage: <https://sos.iowa.gov/elections/voterinformation/voterIDfaq.html#13>

**5. TWITTER:** There was information and discussion regarding having the CCDs become familiar with Slack and/or Twitter. Mitch Day informed us that Twitter is a free social networking tool that allows the sharing of information with other people online. Twitter, however, limits messages to a length of 140-characters which is a faster and efficient method to communicate.

Bob W recommended, and those present supported, we move forward with setting up a Twitter account for the Clay County IA Democrats. Mitch volunteered to take the lead on this new venture! We'll look forward to hearing more at our June meeting.

**5. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:** **June 6th at 6:30PM.** Let's hope to be celebrating a LARGE TURNOUT at the PRIMARY on JUNE 5<sup>th</sup>! Meeting LOCATION will be sent by e-mail and posted on the web: [claycountyiadems.org](http://claycountyiadems.org)

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M.