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NEW DPLC OFFICE IN DOWNTOWN SPRINGFIELD

## DPLC MOVES TO NEW OFFICE SPACE AT 826 A STREET IN SPRINGFIELD



DPLC volunteers have moved our office from North Eugene to a new office space at 826 A St. in Springfield. The Executive Committee recently authorized the move and negotiated a multi-year lease.

The new office is in a very visible downtown location near the Post Office and the EMX transit line which runs from Eugene. The previous tenant was the Springfield Beacon.

With a total of 1,342 sq. ft., there are 7 rooms, wiring for high speed internet connectivity, and 8 phone lines. The largest room measures 11.5" x 26" and is perfect for holding committee meetings.

LTD's EmX operates from 6 am to 11 pm on weekdays. It takes about 16 minutes to travel from downtown Eugene to downtown Springfield. There is no charge to ride.

Thanks to all our volunteers who helped find the space and organize the move! An Open House is being planned for shortly after the May 20th election..



The DPLC could use the following donations to be used in the new office! Can you help?

- VACUUM CLEANER
- SHREDDER
- COMPUTERS OR LAPTOPS

If you can donate an item, please call Sloan at 343-7166 to set up a delivery or pick-up time.

# DON'T FORGET TO KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE NOVEMBER PRIZE!

By *Jared Mason-Gere, DPLC Chair*

In the days and weeks since Super Tuesday, the DPLC has gotten considerable press. DPLC leadership was featured in more than ten local TV news stories, four Register-Guard articles, and multiple interviews for U of O's paper, TV station, and other journalism projects. The focus of each of these stories was the mounting excitement over this year's election, and the immense enthusiasm for the primary election season this year in Oregon. I've had an opportunity to talk about DPLC voter registration drives, the surge in Democratic registration, possibilities for involvement with the Party, reasons to register as a Democrat, why our candidates are better than John "McSame" McCain and Gordon "90%" Smith, as well as the great turnout and energy at the DPO Convention that DPLC volunteers helped host in Eugene.

A year ago I never would have guessed that I'd spend this much time talking with reporters, just as many of us would never have guessed how big a role Oregon would play in the outcome of this presidential election. But while it has taken some time to get used to being interviewed for TV and the papers, I welcome the opportunity to bring more people into the fold as we gear up for this crucial election season, and to brag about the amazing work our tireless Executive Committee members and volunteers have done in the past months. With the move to our great new office location in downtown Springfield, the staffing and open hours at the office for the first time in recent history, and our great successes in fundraising and the budgeting process, the DPLC is perfectly situated to welcome Democratic candidates to our county and help bring them victory on November 4th.

Many people have asked me what I think of the ongoing election struggle between Senators Clinton and Obama. I tell them I think Oregon Democrats are dealing with about as good a "problem" as



*Jared Mason-Gere, DPLC Chair*

we could have. Being forced to choose between two amazing candidates like Obama and Clinton is a blessing for us all, helping to strengthen our party and energize our activists, while Republicans must settle for a nominee that promises four more years of failed Bush policies.

We're also faced with a great "problem" in our choice between the accomplished and inspiring statewide candidates. We are extremely lucky that whoever emerges as the nominees will be strong candidates and powerful leaders for our state and nation. Let's all enjoy this exciting election season and prepare ourselves to work like crazy for the strong Democratic candidates we put forward on May 20th. I look forward to seeing you all at our new office for a big grand opening celebration later this month, and to working together to continue our progress. It's a great year to be a Democrat.

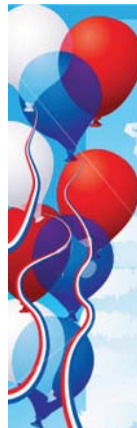
## YOU ARE INVITED TO TWO ELECTION PARTIES IN EUGENE!

### ELECTION CENTRAL 2008

**Tuesday, May 20 from 6:00 – 11:30 pm**  
**Performance Hall, Lane Co. Fairgrounds**  
**796 W 13th Ave., Eugene, Oregon**

Lane County Elections and the Lane Events Center are again co-sponsoring Election Central 2008. You are cordially invited to be part of the "celebration of the public process."

There will be beverages, snacks and catering services available and the media will all be represented as they broadcast live or write for their publications. Most importantly, the results will be reported as they are counted throughout the evening. The public is welcome and admission is free. For more contact information, call 682-4292.



### OBAMA CAMPAIGN ELECTION CELEBRATION

**Tuesday, May 20 at 8:00 pm**  
**McDonald Theatre**  
**1010 Willamette St.**  
**Eugene, Oregon**

Admission is FREE and all ages are welcome. The party will feature live music by Samba Ja, members of Lane's Jazz Ensemble, and more! Food, fun, and guest speakers. Come be part of history!

SOAPBOX

# CANDIDATES ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE IN AN OREGON SCIENCE DEBATE

By Jerry Brule

We are blessed to have two very intelligent presidential candidates that respect science and can understand complex issues. After suffering through the past seven years and the prospect of more of the same from the other side, each Democratic candidate is generating enormous excitement because they are willing and able to address Oregon's unique problems. The best way to showcase the candidates, and their superior understanding of these complex issues, is with a Science debate. What are some of the questions you would like the candidates to address?

What is best to eliminate Greenhouse gases, a Carbon tax or Cap and Trade system? Should we ban clear cutting and replace it with selective cutting, and will that provide enough forest revenue for our communities? What is the best way to restore fisheries and bring back the salmon? Should we set up marine reserves? Should we eliminate dams and develop run of the river turbines for power? What about wave power, wind, solar and other renewable power sources? \$9 billion goes to corn ethanol which adds to food shortages, should we switch the subsidies to cellulosic, switch grass ethanol, or should we concentrate on Algae which is much more productive?

There are many other similar issues critical to Oregon which require a good understanding of science. The best way to explore these issues is to have a Science Debate. The organization Science Debate 2008, has already sent out an invitation for a science debate to take place on May 2nd, 9th or 16th at Portland State Univ. Please look at the invitation and web site at: <http://www.sciencedebate2008.com/www/index.php?id=28>

This year Oregon will finally be important to the candidates and they care what you think. Please contact both candidates and encourage them to take part in a Science Debate.

## GET OUT AND VOLUNTEER FOR THE CAMPAIGN OF YOUR CHOICE... YOU CAN HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE!



The Obama campaign is conducting Get Out The Vote (GOTV) canvass events every day from now through May 20, the end of the vote-by-mail window. With thousands of Obama supporters in Lane County, they are working to ensure that new Democratic voters return their ballots properly and every vote is counted. Shifts are available every weeknight (M-F) at 5 PM and weekends (Sat-Sun) at 10 AM and 3 PM. Please call the Eugene Field Office at (541) 345-1925 for more information or to be introduced to the field organizer in your area.

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Join other Oregon for Hillary volunteers in reaching out to other Oregonians on the phone. This is the most effective way you can help Hillary become president, so stop by her Lane Co. Headquarters for one of their phone banking shifts today or to find out what you can do to help out in some other way. Phone banking is really easy. A staff member will help you along the way. You can also help her campaign by making a donation at her website or by signing the petition to call for an Oregon debate to discuss the issues that are of interest to Oregonians.

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## DORTHY CRAIG UPDATE

After a long stay in the hospital, Dorothy Craig, our long-time DPLC volunteer, friend, and office manager is now recovering at her home at 1280 Q St., Springfield, OR 97477. Please keep her in your thoughts and send your best wishes. Dorothy and Ron Craig appreciate all of the phone calls, get well cards, and visits from their DPLC friends.

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IN MEMORIAM

## BRUCE A. ROSE

Longtime DPLC member Bruce Rose passed away at 4:15 pm on May 5th after a long illness. He was surrounded by his family and his passing was very peaceful.

A service is tentatively planned for May 24th. More details will be posted on the DPLC website as they become available.

Barbara Rose and her family appreciate the support you have given them during Bruce's illness. Please send cards and letters to Barbara Rose, 359 Oak Leaf Dr., Eugene, OR 97404.

DETAILS ABOUT VOTING IN THE PRIMARY

## BALLOTS ARE IN THE MAIL!

Oregon voters still have several weeks to make their final decisions about who they believe will best represent them in local, state, and national government.

The County must receive completed ballots by no later than 8 pm on May 20th. Voters who are in line by 8 pm, will be allowed to vote. Starting on May 15th, ballots should be delivered to one of the designated drop-off sites that are listed in the Voter's Pamphlet.

If voters switched their party affiliation within two weeks of the voter's registration deadline, they may receive the ballot of their former party initially, followed by the ballot from the new party. Ideally, they will only fill out their new ballot. But even if they fill out the initial ballot and send it in, they can still vote in the Democratic Primary with the second ballot.

Because they are no longer a member of their former party, the state's centralized database will catch the error automatically (the ballot envelope bar code contains the voter's ID and ballot style), and that ballot will not be processed. Instead, it will be set aside until all other ballots are processed. If the second, updated ballot is cast, only that one will be counted, and the old one will not be counted. If the voter sends in only the out-of-date ballot, only their votes in non-partisan contests will be counted. Again, under all circumstances, only one ballot will be counted per voter.

The U.S. postal service has been notified by Lane County Elections to deliver all ballots to Lane County Elections that include a First class postage stamp, regardless of postal rate increases or ballot weight differences. Lane County Elections has agreed to pay the difference for this specific election to ensure that voters' ballots are not returned for insufficient postage.

Lane County voters have historically returned more than half their ballots at one of the many official ballot drop sites available throughout Lane County which are listed on their website: [www.co.lane.or.us/Elections/DropOff.htm](http://www.co.lane.or.us/Elections/DropOff.htm)

If you have any questions call Lane County Elections at (541) 682-4234. Office hours are 8 am to 5 pm Monday through Friday. On Election Day, May 20 the office will be open from 7 am to 8 pm.



LEGISLATIVE NOTES

## COASTAL LEGISLATORS WORKING TO DEFRAY IMPACTS OF CLOSED SALMON SEASON

State Rep. Arnie Roblan (D- District 9) and coastal legislators have joined together to urge state and federal government agencies to immediately begin working to defray the impacts of the closed salmon fishing season.

The commercial and sport fishing ban – approved Thursday by the Pacific Fishery Management Council – will cost coastal commercial fishing operations, charter rentals and related tourism opportunities approximately \$50 million, according to very preliminary reports.

Rep. Roblan reported that Governor Ted Kulongoski has already joined with Governors in California and Washington to urge the Department of Commerce to declare an emergency and trigger the process for allocating federal funds to help offset lost fishing revenues.

Along with those federal efforts, Rep. Roblan said he had urged the Governor to sign an executive order directing every state agency to provide any available resources to help the coastal communities.

“The north part of the coast was decimated by floods earlier this year; now the entire coast will suffer greatly from the decline of the Sacramento River salmon runs,” said Rep. Roblan. “As our hearts and prayers go out to the affected families, we are already hard at work leveraging state and federal resources to help these families weather this latest crisis.”

Along with the federal aid, state officials expect the Governor to tap his strategic reserve fund and for a request to be made by the Legislative Emergency Board to approve an allocation to aid in the recovery. Additionally, agencies across the state will be providing supplemental services, including job support.

“As we saw earlier this year, when disaster strikes, it's all hands on deck,” said Rep. Roblan. “We're working very hard to make sure our state officials and our federal delegation work day and night to get aid to these communities as quickly and efficiently as possible.”

To receive more information about disaster aid, contact the Oregon Salmon Commission at (541) 994-2647.

## FEATURED VOLUNTEER

**JUDY HAROLD**

This month's featured volunteer, Judy Harold, is part of a dynamic duo who handle membership for the DPLC. Judy's sidekick, Jill McKenney, will be featured in next month's *Outspoken*.

Judy is a relatively new volunteer with the DPLC, but has always been interested in politics. She is very interested in Central American issues, peace, housing and shelter for homeless and low income people, universal health care, human rights, hunger, literacy, environmental issues, and electing candidates that can impact all of the above.

Though she is semi-retired, she still works a few days a week at the Springfield Public Library where she was the Youth Services Manager/ Librarian for 26 years. Before that she taught English at the middle and high school level.

As a Springfield resident, she actively campaigned for a variety of local city measures over the years. She believes that we can make a difference when we become active in politics at the local level and says that she has tremendously enjoyed the people she has met and worked with at the DPLC.

Judy was a member of In Witness for Peace and served on the NW Board for ten years. She was part of an "accompaniment group" for people who had returned to Guatemala from Chiapas. She also served on the Shelter House Board, the Catholic Services Board, and chaired a task force to start a Human Rights Commission in Springfield. She co-chaired the First Book Board for ten years. Currently she is a member of CALC, SAFER and is on the Springfield Community Development Advisory Committee.

The world leaders that Judy admires most are Nelson Mandela and Archbishop Tutu for their enormous courage, perseverance, and generous spirits.

Judy feels lucky to have a very supportive husband, 3 adult children, and 4 grandchildren. She wonders how her children grew up so quickly and how her grandchildren are growing up even faster. She enjoys spending time with family and friends, running, reading, hiking, and tent camping. She recently ran her first marathon!



## NOTES FROM THE DPO

**MAY 20TH  
PRIMARY OR  
BUST!**

*By Becky Gladstone, DPO Secretary*

All politics is local! Another Eugene Platform Convention, two Presidential and a lot of local campaign offices and candidates already here, a former President and several surrogates already been here. Remember April 2004? We had a Lane County for Kerry dinner at the Vets Club with 200 locals. What a difference now! An important Oregon Primary! Conventions are coming and a coordinated campaign office will be opening in June. I'm happy and hope you are, too!

Bill Clinton was in Junction City. We had state-wide Obama and DPO voter registration drives. George Lakoff (don't think of an elephant) told me to use a coin toss to determine campaign/candidate order. The DPO works very hard to maintain neutrality which is hard for me and two officers who aren't superdelegates.

Between January and March, Lane County Republicans lost a couple of hundred voters, while the Democratic Party gained about 5,000. This does not counting April's new registrations. Strong work Field Team!! It helped gain us another DNC Committee slot!

We're processing Denver convention delegate (and voter) applications. For more information, please look on our website: <http://restricted.dpo.org/> delegates. The application deadline is May 22 before 5 pm. Please file online. To avoid filing problems, be sure not to wait until the last minute. If you have any questions, please contact [wayne@dpo.org](mailto:wayne@dpo.org).

From me to you, let's work hard and keep it fun. We owe our candidates for the public service of running tough campaigns. Let's come together after the primary, thank everyone, fight and WIN in November!

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO BECOME A CONVENTION DELEGATE**

Oregon Democrats will elect 65 delegates and 9 alternates to the Democratic National Convention on August 25-28 in Denver. The number of delegates each presidential candidate will receive is determined by the results of the May 20th Presidential Primary.

There are three different types of delegates

1. **District Delegates** elect delegates to the state and national conventions. They become district delegates when they fill out the registration form.
2. **State Delegates** are elected from their congressional district conventions to serve at the state convention. State delegates will elect delegates to the national convention.
3. **National Delegates** are elected at the district or state conventions to serve at the national convention. National delegates also include the 12 automatic delegates.

The registration form is available on the DPO website ([www.dpo.org](http://www.dpo.org)). The DPO must receive your completed application by Thursday, May 22nd at 5 PM. Deliver it to the DPO at 232 NE 9th, Portland, OR 97232 or fax it to the DPO at (503) 224-5335. Contact Wayne Kinney, chair of the DPO's Rules Committee, at (541) 977-5050 or e-mail [wayne@dpo.org](mailto:wayne@dpo.org).

## POLITICAL JUNKIES OVERLOADED WITH POSSIBILITIES CAMPAIGN SEASON ARRIVES IN OREGON

By Joanne Todd

The past few months have been more than busy for election volunteers and the Democratic Party of Lane County. The national news media is now turning their attention to the Oregon Primary election which will conclude on May 20th. Oregon voter's already have begun filling out their mail-in ballots which will help to decide many important races this year.

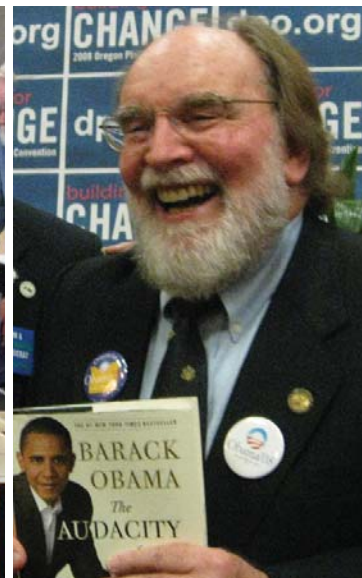
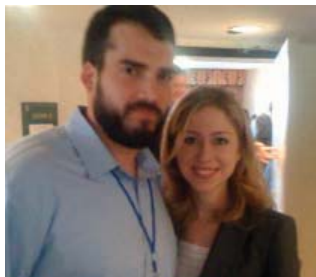
Both of the Democratic Presidential campaigns have arrived in full force, with field organizers arriving from all parts of the country to help get events and canvasses organized. Candidates from all races are criss-crossing the state and speaking out to influence voters who still haven't made a decision on who they plan to vote for. Debates between the candidates have been held at a variety of venues including schools, television, radio, and civic organizations.

Barack Obama and the entire Clinton family have been in Lane County to state their respective cases to local voters. In addition, many notable figures have come to the area in support of their candidates. Among them have been Rep. Neil Ambercrombie (D-HI) who spoke for Obama at the Oregon Platform Convention held recently in Eugene and former Ambassador Joe Wilson, a Hillary Clinton supporter.

Most candidates who are running for office in Oregon have attended our monthly DPLC meeting forums over the past few months. We have been able to hear from Candy Neville, Steve Novick, Jeff Merkley, Vicki Walker, Kate Brown, Rick Metsger, John Kroger, Greg Macpherson, and Ben Westlund. We have also heard from many other candidates who are running for other local and state offices.

All campaigns are now in the last phase of the Primary election process which involves getting voters to mail-in their ballots, donate funds, and encouraging them to volunteer for the campaigns that they are most interested in supporting.

The Democratic Party of Lane County can help all Democratic campaigns during the Primary election to some extent, but will not officially endorse any candidates until the General Election. Our organization plays a crucial support role for the Democratic Party when campaigns and events come to our area. You are encouraged to visit the DPLC website ([www.DPLC.org](http://www.DPLC.org)) and register to volunteer or make any type of donation that you are able to. Many links to online election resources are also available to help voters make informed decisions.



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# MEETING & EVENTS CALENDAR

## May 2008

DATE	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION
<b>Saturday May 3 Noon</b>	Siuslaw Public Library 1460 9th Street Florence, Oregon	<b>Florence Area Democratic Club Meeting</b> Coastal residents meet monthly to discuss politics and promote the Democratic Party.
<b>Tuesday May 6 5:00-6:00 pm</b>	Room 175, 1515 Agate St. U of O School of Law Eugene, Oregon	<b>Attorney General Debate</b> Judge Alan Leiman will be moderating a 1-hour debate between candidates John Kroger and Greg Macpherson. Contact Lauren Regan for more information or to suggest questions for the debate.
<b>Sunday May 11 2:30 pm</b>	Starts at Eweb Plaza 500 East 4th St. Eugene, Oregon	<b>Million Mom March on Mother's Day</b> Walk for world peace and responsible gun ownership. One mile leisurely march from Eweb Plaza to Owen's Rose Garden where marchers will gather to eat pie! Contact Betsy Steffenson at <a href="mailto:peace@dplc.org">peace@dplc.org</a> or call 686-2531.
<b>Thursday, May 15 6:30 pm Business 7:30 pm Membership</b>	EWEB Training Room 500 East 4th Street Eugene, Oregon	<b>DPLC Central Committee Meeting</b> Lane County Democrats meet on the third Thursday of each month. Speakers include elected officials and candidates. Ballot measures and causes are discussed.
<b>Tuesday, May 20</b>	Lane County Fairgrounds and McDonald Theater	<b>Primary Election, Lane Co. Election Central &amp; Obama Celebration Events</b> <i>(see page 2 for information)</i>
<b>Thursday, May 22</b>		<b>Filing Deadline to Run for Delegate to the National Convention</b> Applications are available on the <a href="http://www.DPO.org">www,DPO.org</a> website.

## June 2008

DATE	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION
<b>Sunday June 1 4 pm</b>	Coburg Hillview Farm 91662 N. Coburg Rd. Eugene, Oregon (1 mile north of Fire station)	<b>Dean Mordhorst's Annual Goat Roast</b> Meet legislators, dance the hora! Bring a veggie, salad, or dessert and your own beverage. \$10 per person, all proceeds go to local Democratic candidates. Contact Dean Mordhorst for more info at 343-6473. No RSVP is necessary.
<b>Saturday June 7</b>	TBA Cottage Grove, Oregon	<b>4th Congressional District Convention</b> District Delegates elect delegates to the state and national conventions. Delegate registration forms must be received by May 22 at 5 pm. See the DPO website.
<b>Thursday, June 19 6:30 pm Business 7:30 pm Membership</b>	EWEB Training Room 500 East 4th Street Eugene, Oregon	<b>DPLC Central Committee Meeting</b> Lane County Democrats meet on the third Thursday of each month. Speakers include elected officials and candidates. Ballot measures and causes are discussed.
<b>Saturday June 21</b>	Probably at Labor Hall Tualatin, Oregon	<b>Oregon State Convention</b> This convention will determine the remaining delegate selections (those not determined at the CD levels on June 7) for the DNC Presidential Convention.

*Be sure to check the [www.DPLC.org](http://www.DPLC.org) website for the latest updates to the Events Calendar! Mail calendar additions to [outspoken@dplc.org](mailto:outspoken@dplc.org) or mail them to: DPLC Outspoken P.O. Box 11138, Eugene, OR 97440-3338*

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**Sunday, July 20**

Chili Feed at Alton Baker Park

**August 12-17**

DPLC Booth at the Lane Co. Fair

**August 25-28**

Democratic National Convention

**September 12-14**

Booth at the Eugene Celebration

**Tuesday, November 4**

General Election

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APRIL 18, 2008

# DPLC CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

By *Mardy Allen*

John Cuff made a motion to approve the meeting agenda and Nancy Gressler second it. All approved.

John Cuff made a motion to approve the March CC minutes and Kevin Kidwell second it. All approved.

## Announcements

Betsy Steffensen shared that the 9th Annual Million Mom March for Peace is happening on Mother's Day, May 11 at 2:30 pm. It will start at the Eweb Plaza, 500 East 4th St., Eugene.

Don Hanson shared that the Hillary Headquarters is now open. You can find it at 1441 Main St. in Springfield. It is open 9 am to 9 pm, seven days a week. Phone: 741-1761

Courtney Heights announced that the Obama Headquarters is open at 13th and Willamette and it is open seven days a week from 9 am to 9 pm. They are working hard at getting people registered to vote before the April 29th deadline.

Kevin Kidwell thanked everyone who helped with the Hospitality Suite at the Hilton during the Platform Convention. Good Job!!

Mary Ann Holser announced that she was having a party for Vicki Walker at her house on Saturday starting at 7pm.

Richard Cundiff announced that HD 11 is also having a party on Saturday from 3 to 5 pm at 1515 Sylvan St. to support Phil Barnhart.

Becky Gladstone, DPO secretary, thanked Eugene for the volunteers and hospitality at the Platform Convention. She encourages everyone to get involved. This is where change begins. She anticipates that the next convention will not be in Eugene. She encourages people to call Mr. Kinney to get involved by calling 503-224-8200.

Dean Mordhorst shared that the information in the Outspoken last month needed to be changed. He is having a fundraiser on June 1st at 4 pm for \$20 per person and all of it will go to the DPLC. THANK YOU DEAN! It will be a goat roast.

Kim Forrest with the Jeff Merkley campaign shared that on April 29 there will be a curse off at the U of O. Email Kim@JeffMerkley.com for more information.

Office Update: George Grier updated everyone on the arduous process of finding a new office for the DPLC. With a lot of work from George and John Cuff, they found an office in Springfield at 826 A Street. It is within our budget and we will be keeping the same phone. The lease is for three years. John Cuff will be coordinating the move on April 26th to the new office. Thanks George and John! Also, on that same Saturday but at 2 pm, Mary Van Noy is going to meet people for a canvass. Join her in the parking lot at the Goodpasture Office.

Community Action: Laura Gillpatrick shared that Earth Day will be celebrated outside the EWEB building and the DPLC will have a

## Central Committee Meeting Agenda

**Next Meeting: Thursday, May 15**

EWEB Training Room, 500 East 4th St., Eugene, Oregon

**6:30 - 7:30 PM**

### Business Meeting

- Vote on Old Minutes
- Committee, HD, & Caucus Reports

**7:30 - 9:00 PM**

### General Membership Forum

- Announcements
- Legislative Updates
- Forum

booth from 12 noon to 5 pm. We still need volunteers. Also, on July 4th there will be a parade in Creswell and on July 20th the Chili Feed will happen with more details to follow.

"Stop Gordon Smith Press Conference": Jared Mason-Gere, Chair, announced that there will be a gathering at noon on Monday, April 21st. Paul Hovey will speak at the New Federal Building.

**Treasurer's Report:** George Grier, Vice Chair, reviewed the treasurer's report. We now have \$28,000 in the bank at the end of March. The executive committee approved to set aside \$4,000 for seed money for the next auction.

John Cuff made a motion for adjournment with Kevin Kidwell seconding it. All approved.

**Forum:** Rick Metsger, Democratic Candidate for Oregon Secretary of State and Steve Novick, Democratic Candidate for US Senate plus Wayne Kinney, DPO Rules Chair, who will review Delegate Selection Process for Presidential Nominating Convention.

## ANNUAL MORDHORST BARBECUE PLANNED TO BENEFIT LOCAL DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES

Dean Mordhorst invites all DPLC members to his annual barbecue at 4 pm on Sunday, June 1 at the Coburg Hillview Farm, 91662 N. Coburg Rd., Eugene, OR (1 mile north of the fire station).

Activities this year will include reports from state legislators and eating fantastic goat roasted on an open pit in true Mexican style. Hamburgers will also be available. Entertainment will include a Grand March, circle dancing and dancing the hora!

Reservations are not necessary. Bring a veggie, salad, or dessert to share and also your own beverages. A \$10 donation per person is requested. All proceeds this year will be donated to Vicki Walker, Phil Barnhart, and Chris Edwards. In non-election years, Dean generously donates all proceeds from the annual event to the DPLC. E-mail Dean at coburgfarm@aol.com or call (541) 343-6473.



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### **Deadline for June Issue**

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## DEMS HELP McCAIN WITH MISSING VOTER'S PAMPHLET STATEMENT

For the first time in modern Oregon state politics, a presidential candidate has failed to supply a statement for the Oregon Voter's Pamphlet.

With Oregonians starting to fill out their ballots for this crucial Presidential Primary, the Democratic Party of Oregon decided to cross party lines and provide state voters a valuable service by sending out a statement on behalf of Republican

candidate Senator John McCain (R-AZ) who will face the Democratic nominee.

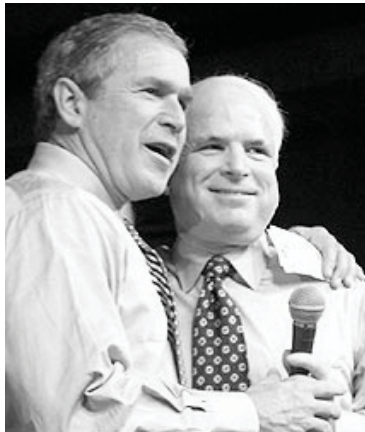
Oregon Democrats understand that is important for voters to realize how their vote for McCain will actually be giving us a third Bush term in office. McCain is enthusiastically endorsed by Oregon Senator Gordon Smith, who joined him in his support of the War in Iraq and the Bush agenda.

To find out more what John McCain promises us if he is elected our President in November, visit the DPO website: <http://oregondemocrats.org/mccain>.

As an additional public service, the DPO will email the McCain statement to thousands of Oregonians across the state. The DPO will encourage Democrats to forward the email on to their friends and family and to print it out and distribute copies.

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### John McCain

Republican

**Occupation:** U.S. Senator

**Occupational Background:** Naval Aviator and U.S. House Representative

**Educational Background:** United States Naval Academy

**Prior Governmental Experience:** I've been in Washington, D.C. for decades. You may remember me from the Keating Scandal and the George Bush hug.

My Friends,

I'm running for president of the United States because I believe in the status quo. I want to continue the regress we've made over the last eight years.

As president, here is my pledge to you.

**I won't worry about the economy if you won't.**

We will stay in Iraq for 100 years.

If the first 100 years in Iraq don't work out, we can sign up for 100 more.

**I know change can be unsettling. Don't worry, with my presidency there won't be any. All I offer is a third Bush term.**

I want experts in my cabinet. We need people with years of insider experience dealing with Congress and writing legislation. So, we'll have an all lobbyist cabinet. I won't have to look hard for applicants. All the major lobbyists already work for my campaign.

My friends, I'm John McCain, aka McBush, and I ask for your support.

Find out more about me at <http://www.oregondemocrats.org/mccain>

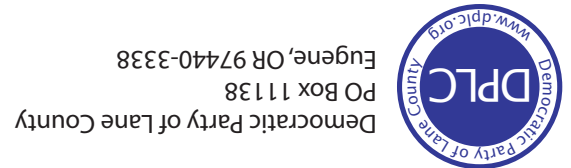
**Endorsements:** President George Bush, whose presidency deserves the third term I will provide, Vice President Dick Cheney and Oregon's Republican U.S. Senator Gordon Smith. Yep, Gordon Smith claims to oppose the war, but he vigorously endorses my candidacy and has continued voting to keep troops in Iraq. He's not quite a straight talker if you ask me.

*(This is not John McCain's actual Oregon Voters' Pamphlet statement. He did not provide one, so this information was furnished by Democratic Party of Oregon.)*

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