



MMN – Tuesday, July 6, 2010

Mission: The purpose of the Democratic Women's Caucus is to fund, inspire, recruit, support, and train progressive, pro-choice women to increase the numbers of women in the electoral process and in elected and appointed positions

Dear Lisa,

Tuesday, July 6th

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BREAKFAST MEETING ON FRIDAY 7:30 am, Village Deli

Time to start thinking about those two referenda on the ballot this fall. The one we're most familiar with concerns the Monroe County School Corporation's need for operating funds. The other is a statewide question on putting property tax caps in the Indiana Constitution. We have experts Sue Wanzer from the school board and State Senator Vi Simpson coming to address these issues, so come a little early to have breakfast before we start the presentations and a Q&A session. Bring a friend, too!

We'll have a quick update on election matters.. we think at least one of our candidates has already WON her race!

ANNOUNCEMENTS: As has been our policy for breakfast meetings (which fly by so quickly there's no time for announcements sometimes!) we'll have an announcement sheet at each place at breakfast. If you have any announcements to send out to the whole group, please send a note to Regina Moore at regina.moore@gmail.com by Thursday early afternoon. We'll compile them all together so we all have all the info we need!

CITY COUNTY COUNCILWOMEN CITIZEN'S BREAKFAST THURDAY

County Councilmember, Jill Lesh and City Councilmember, Susan Sandberg invite you to the next City-County Citizens' Breakfast at the Village Deli on Thursday, July 8, 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. Guests will be Linda Grove-Paul and Andi Haynes of Centerstone talking about the new Recovery Engagement Center and the July 11 RecoveryFest kick-off celebration of this new community resource. All are welcome to join these monthly interactive discussions on matters of common interest to both City and County residents!

NEEDED-- HOUSING FOR ALEXA

Alexa Lopez, DWC member and recent IU grad, is working as a field director for the Hill Campaign and is in need of a place to stay from August 15th (or there about) until just after the election... first week of November or so. If you have an extra bedroom and would be able to help out a young, smart, hardworking, Democratic woman making her way in the political process, just let her know. Alexa will most likely be at breakfast on Friday, so if you haven't already met her at one of our meetings or events you can do so then.

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ELECTION YEAR ACTIVITIES- CONVENTION, PARADE

If she hasn't already done so, we're sure Lu Cregar will be putting some pictures of our candidates from the recent 4th of July parade and the Indiana State Democratic Convention on our DWC website. We all had a great time and it helped our candidates get a new start after the primary. We'll have updates from our women candidates at the breakfast meeting on Friday, so they'll have more to tell then. The images are currently on Facebook.

STATE PARTY TO HAVE WOMEN'S TRAINING AT IDEA in AUGUST

The Women's Caucus held at the State Convention a couple of weeks ago was conducted by our Indiana Democrats State Party Vice Chair Cordelia Lewis-Burke. Cordelia asked our own Vi Simpson to speak, and that she did. Vi did a fantastic job of telling the caucus (attended by both men and women) about the need for us to build up our bench so that we have some women ready to step up in each election, women ready to run, women ready to serve. Her talk was very well received, and Vi introduced some women candidates that are running in other areas of the state..... ones that would be supportive of our interests in the state legislature. We hope to be able to tell you more about them in the coming weeks. Vice Chair Cordelia said that she was supportive of an afternoon of campaign training and discussion dedicated to women's issues in running for office. We'll keep you informed of this program, but keep the date open-- August 27th, Friday, most likely in the afternoon hours. This will take place in French Lick at the annual Indiana Democratic Editor's Association meeting – a traditional statewide-Democratic convergence of elected officials, campaign volunteers, party central committee folks, statewide and congressional candidates. More info as it comes to us.

GOT SNACKS??

You may know that the Hill campaign has about 40 interns at the Monroe County Democrats office on Third Street. These young men and women are working extremely hard to identify voters in preparation for the fall election. Their work is so important this year so we can make sure the voters who support our candidates get to the polls. Their work will help all candidates, and it's something that one campaign would be hard pressed to do alone. They are in need of some nutritional sustenance in the evenings.... and if you have time and the inclination to drop by with some snacks, they would be greatly appreciated. When I stopped in they had coke and pretzels.. only. The HQ is at 320 E Third Street... park in the back and use the back door. Just tell Alexa you're there to feed the interns!

PICNIC PLANS

If you've not put August 22nd on your calendar, do it now!! The DWC annual celebration of the passage of the 19th Amendment (Women's Suffrage) is on that date in the form of an old fashioned family picnic. Games, races, pies, cakes, quilts, lace, croquet, lawn chairs, and the like will help us recreate that era when the amendment was passed. Tickets are \$25 each and can be purchased from a committee member or a steering committee member. We'll have them at breakfast on Friday, so bring your checkbook and get your ticket early!! Sponsorships are available –



contact Lorraine Farrell for more information on that. Please come, support our efforts to raise funds for our women candidates this year. The Antique Quilt pictured will be one of the silent auction items offered at the picnic.

