



SPECIAL – Wednesday, March 24, 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 Terry,

Special Message

March 24st

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RISE UP WOMEN! THANKS TO YOU ALL, WE ARE RISING!!

What a wonderful dinner! Our celebration of Women's History Month with Kate Coyne-McCoy from EMILY's List was just fab. Attendees enjoyed a nice reception with Kate and had a very tasty dinner with vanilla bean ice cream and brownies for dessert! (The planning committee would NEVER forget the chocolate!).



Kate is such a dynamic speaker and teacher and was no less than inspiring to the women and men at dinner. She spoke of the importance of having women at the table when important decisions are made at all levels of government - and the importance of helping them get there. A short DVD about EMILY's List Political Opportunity Program training ended her presentation, and we all were pleasantly surprised to see clips from our own POP training from 2004 included in the film!

DWC Chair Regina Moore announced that, with the funding awards given out at the dinner (see next story), the Caucus had funded endorsed women to the tune of almost \$30,000 in the past 6 years. Considering that two of those years were non-election years, we're really doing well in our mission. Thank you for your part in making contributions to the Caucus that, when added with others, can really make a difference in women's races.

All had a good time at the dinner and took home packages of yeast (The "Y" in EMILY) along with Charlotte's Pecan Roll recipe! Dinner attendees, as is our tradition, took home yellow roses.

We'd like to thank the sponsors and women who planned for this event. They are:

\$250 Level

Regina Moore, City Clerk
Linda Robbins, Candidate for Monroe County Clerk
Kristina and Jason Simmonds

\$100 Level

Sam Allison, Candidate for Monroe County Council
Lucretia Cregar

Shirley Fitzgibbons
Chris Gaal, Monroe County Prosecuting Attorney
Craig Harvey, Candidate for Monroe County Clerk
Pamela Hensler
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Amy Swain, and Andy Alexander
Iris Kiesling, Commissioner
Jill Lesh, Monroe County Council
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Cheryl Munson, Candidate for Monroe County Council
Dr. Lois Sabo-Skelton, DWPAC Founding Member
Susan Sandberg, Bloomington City Council
Vi Simpson, State Senator
Cathy Smith, Monroe County Treasurer
Janet Stavropoulos
Mike Szakaly, Candidate for Monroe County Recorder

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Jane Bradley -- Graphic Design, Invitation and Program
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Charlotte Zietlow -- Yellow Roses

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LaMantia, Regina Moore, Lois Sabo-Skelton, Janet C Stavropoulos

**ENDORSEMENTS ANNOUNCED
AND CHECKS**

AWARDED!

During the dinner the following women
were announced as endorsed candidates for
the primary and were awarded checks in
the following amounts:

County Offices

Linda Robbins: Monroe County Clerk \$1250
Cheryl Munson: Monroe County Council \$400

Township Trustee

Linda Sievers: Bloomington Township Trustee \$300
Vicky Sorensen: Indian Creek Township Trustee \$300
Township Board
Barb Sturbaum: Perry Township Board (did not ask for funding)
Meri Reinhold: Indian Creek Township Board \$200
Amy Swain: Indian Creek Township Board \$200



VI SIMPSON INVITES YOU TO A WOMEN'S EVENT FUNDRAISER

Vi Simpson invites you to a Women's Event Fundraiser on **Thursday, March 25, 5:00-7:30pm.**

Vi says, "Dear Friends, I hope you can join me at this event and help me to raise funds to elect some new, younger and more progressive people to the Senate, as well as to get more women involved in campaign fundraising and support of candidates. Thanks!"

The DWC Steering Committee sent a check to this fundraiser for \$250 to help Vi elect colleagues that will support progressive agendas in the Senate!

If you'd like to attend this event to support Vi, please send an email to regina.moore@gmail.com ASAP and we'll carpool up. It will be held at the Conrad in downtown Indianapolis.

DEMOCRATIC WOMEN TO MEET IN FISHERS ON SATURDAY

On Saturday, March 27, the Indiana Federation of Women is meeting in Fishers, Indiana, and holding its Spring Workshop and Business Meeting. Registration begins at 10am, with lunch at noon, and adjournment at 2:30. It will be held at Fishers Public Library. Cost is \$10 and includes lunch.

This group of women is associated with the State Party structure and actually has a vote on the Democratic State Central Committee. If we are ever to see another woman in the Indiana Congressional Delegation, or as Governor, this may be the place to start. They've asked that women from our Caucus come to speak to them about our experiences so some Steering Committee members are going up. If you'd like to come, please email regina.moore@gmail.com for carpooling information. Also, please let us know if you're going up on your own, and we'll make a reservation for you.
