

**MONDAY MORNING NEWS  
DECEMBER 1, 2008**

- DECEMBER 1 REMEMBERANCES OF ROSA PARKS
- DWCaucus BREAKFAST MEETING THIS FRIDAY
- ELECTION OF STEERING COMMITTEE OPEN FROM NOW 'TIL WEDNESDAY FOR EARLY VOTING; IN PERSON VOTING ON FRIDAY MORNING.

Monday December 1<sup>st</sup> is the anniversary of Rosa Parks' refusal to relinquish her seat on a Montgomery, Alabama bus and her arrest for violating Alabama's segregation laws. When we think back of that day (which some of us remember) and the resulting civil rights movement (which all of us remember) through this incredible year of the election of Barack Obama, we can be moved by how far we have come in these 50 years. The tears on the faces of African-Americans on election night, the rejoicing of folks around the world for this President-elect serve to remind us that we must continue the movement forward on race and other civil rights issues. Read more about Rosa Parks:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rosa\\_Parks](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rosa_Parks)  
<http://teacher.scholastic.com/rosa/interview.htm#brave>



December meeting of the Democratic Women's Caucus is Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. Our program will have two parts. First we will be electing the Steering Committee for the next year, and secondly we will have as our guests many young Democrats. Anna Strand and Ravay Smith were both interns in Washington DC this past summer and worked in the offices of Brad Ellsworth and Baron Hill, our 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Indiana Congressional District Representatives. We'll hear about their summer employment in DC, and get to ask them some questions about their involvement in the political scene. As we hope to inspire young women to enter the political process, we can also take some inspiration from these two women, and other young Democrats who will be joining them for Breakfast. Please Plan to come.

Election of Steering Committee:

The following women have expressed interest in serving on the Steering Committee for the next year:

<http://democraticwomenscaucus.org/Steering%20Committee%20Candidates.pdf>

Chair: Regina Moore

Vice Chair: Susan Sandberg

Secretary: Dee Owens  
Treasurer: Kristina Simmonds

Members at-Large (in alphabetical order)

Nicole Bolden  
Lu Cregar  
Jill Jolliff  
Jillian Kinzie  
Merridee LaMantia  
Lois Sabo-Skelton  
Vi Simpson  
Doris Sims  
Julie Thomas  
Charlotte Zietlow

You can review statements by these women on the DWCAucus Website.

Our newly revised bylaws calls for an election at this time, and therefore all members are urged to vote. If you are a member, you will be getting a ballot by email and you can vote starting today, December 1, 2008 until **MIDNIGHT WEDNESDAY**, December 3rd. The votes will be tallied and added to votes that may be cast by any member who has not voted on Friday morning at the breakfast meeting. The results will be announced at the end of the breakfast meeting.

At this time our most heartfelt THANKS go out to Alisa Brown, Jane Bradley, Cathi Crabtree, Lorraine Farrell, Carole Scifres, and Jean Umiker-Sebeok, for their service to the steering committee efforts in the past two years, and some for more than two years. Their contributions have helped us in firming up our organization and have brought us out of infancy into a real organization.

See you all on Friday morning! If you have any announcements that you wish to share with members, please send them to [regina.moore@gmail.com](mailto:regina.moore@gmail.com) before Thursday at 3 pm. They'll be compiled for everyone to take.