



MONTGOMERY COUNTY

DEMOCRATIC PARTY

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New Year, New Opportunities

Dear Democrats,

Happy New Year! I hope each of you had a relaxing and joyful holiday season.

The changes brought by 2018's election are upon us. Many of our Democratic elected officials have taken their oaths of office and have begun to serve Montgomery County in new ways. In one case, this has left a vacancy for us to fill, as Carolyn Rice has become our newest County Commissioner.

That means we aren't done yet! At our next meeting, the Central Committee will vote to fill the vacancy in the County Treasurer's office, as well as on endorsements for Dayton City Commission races. The Executive Committee will vote on appointments to the Board of Elections. This is an important meeting, so please plan to attend!

In Ohio, we never have an "off year." 2019 will bring us new electoral opportunities - this time for municipal races like Councils, School Boards and Township Trustees. We need passionate, energized candidates to take the torch from our 2018 slate and work just as hard to fill these local seats.

In some areas of Montgomery County, Republicans have dominated municipal elections for decades. But if the incredible energy of the Trump era has taught us anything, it is that we can't let ANY seat go uncontested. Please speak with me or Kurt Hatcher if you would like to explore running this year.

Finally, as many of you know, our Executive Director Sarah Wilhelm Greathouse has transitioned to a full time role at the Board of Elections. I know she will bring the same energy and commitment to the work of securing our elections that she brought to electing Democrats. Please join me in wishing Sarah thanks for a job well done!

Sarah will be succeeded by Kurt Hatcher, who managed Zach Dickerson's race last year for Statehouse. In addition to his campaign and activism work, Kurt brings 8 years of

experience managing sustainability programs at the University of Dayton. Welcome, Kurt!

As always, I would like to thank our volunteers. Whether you answer phones in the office, help prepare mailings, serve your precinct as a captain, or assist with campaigns, your work is the backbone of our organization.

Sincerely,

YOUR ELECTED DEMS

Hon. Fred Strahorn

State Representative, House District 39
Ohio House Minority Leader

Hon. Judy Dodge

Hon. Deborah Lieberman

Hon. Carolyn Rice

Commissioners, Montgomery County

Hon. Karl Keith

Montgomery County Auditor

Hon. Paul Gruner

Montgomery County Engineer

Hon. Mathias H. Heck, Jr.

Montgomery County Prosecutor

Hon. Brandon McClain

Montgomery County Recorder

Hon. Nan Whaley

Mayor, City of Dayton

Hon. Matt Joseph

Hon. Jeffrey J. Mims, Jr.

Hon. Chris Shaw

Commissioners, City of Dayton

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, 10 January 2018 - 6:30p

Greater Dayton Young Dems Skate Party (Fundraiser)

Orbit Fun Center of Huber Heights

5001 Nebraska Ave.

Huber Heights, OH 45424

Contact GDYD President Mike Brill at 513.805.5490 or mikebrillloh@gmail.com with questions.

Thursday, 17 January 2018 - 6:30p

MCDP Executive Committee

MCDP Headquarters

313 S Jefferson St.

Dayton, OH 45402

Contact MCDP Chair Mark Owens at 937.222.4007 or montgomerydems@gmail.com with questions.

Thursday, 17 January 2018 - 7:15p

MCDP Central Committee

MCDP Headquarters

313 S Jefferson St.

Dayton, OH 45402

Contact MCDP Chair Mark Owens at 937.222.4007 or montgomerydems@gmail.com with questions.

Tuesday, 22 January 2018 - 6:00p

South Dayton Democratic Club Monthly Meeting

Wright Memorial Public Library - Lower Level

1776 Far Hills Ave.

Oakwood, OH 45419

Contact SDDC Treasurer John Murphy at 937.245.1101 with questions.

Friday, 25 January 2018 - 5:00p

Greater Dayton Young Dems Executive Committee

MCDP Headquarters

313 S Jefferson St.

Dayton, OH 45402

Contact GDYD President Mike Brill at 513.805.5490 or mikebrillloh@gmail.com with questions.

Thursday, 21 February 2018 - 4:00p

Auditor Karl Keith's President's Day Pizza Party

Wiley's Comedy Club

101 Pine St.

Dayton, OH 45402

Contact Mike Brill at 513.805.5490 or mikebrillloh@gmail.com with questions.

CONSIDERING RUNNING?

We've got a long list of local positions which are going to be on the ballot this November, and we need candidates to run in those races!

The Ohio Democratic Party *Main Street Initiative* is designed especially to train & support candidates for local office - even first-time candidates! You can learn more by contacting Kurt Hatcher at MCDP or Sam Melendez at ODP. montgomerydems@gmail.com / 937-222-4007 smelendez@ohiodems.org / 419-308-4187

NEW YEAR, SAME GAME

Have you made your 2019 resolutions yet? This year, let's recommit to calling our elected officials every day, to tell them what we expect of them. After 2 years of making these calls, we have created one of the most engaged and vocal activist communities in a generation. If we don't call, our representatives have only the moneyed special interests to take their orders from. Let's make sure WE have a seat at the table.

Make your
Voice
Heard

Congressman Mike Turner	202.225.6465
Senator Rob Portman	202.224.3353
Senator Sherrod Brown	202.224.2315
State Senator Peggy Lehner	614.466.4538
State Senator Stephen Huffman	614.466.6247
State Rep. Fred Strahorn	614.466.1607
State Rep. Phil Plummer	614.644.8051
State Rep. Jim Butler	614.644.6008
State Rep. Niraj Antani	614.466.6504
State Rep. J. Todd Smith	614.466.2960

2019 FROLIC *for* FUNDS

Thursday
APRIL 11, 2018

DAYTON CONVENTION CENTER

22 E Fifth St., Dayton, OH 45402

5p Candidate Meet & Greet Reception

6p Dinner

Tickets
\$150 Single Seat
\$1,500 Table (10 Seats)