



ASHLAND COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY NEWSLETTER

JULY 2019

COMING EVENTS

FOCUS ON LOCAL CANDIDATE CONNOR THOMPSON FOR MIFFLIN COUNCIL

**JULY 28 NOON. SUMMER
PICNIC AT HONEY HAVEN
FARM! SWEET CORN AND
HOT DOGS PROVIDED.
PLEASE BRING A COVERED
DISH TO SHARE!**

**LABOR DAY PARADE. MARCH
FOR LABOR ON 9/2/19.**

**SEPT 15-21 ASHLAND FAIR
BOOTH**

**OCT 1-5 LOUDONVILLE FAIR
BOOTH**

NOV. 5 ELECTION DAY

**NOV. 9 FALL CELEBRATION
AT CONTINENTAL COUNTRY
CLUB IN NOVA.**



HOW CAN I HELP?

**HELP SUPPORT OUR
ACTIVITIES WITH A
DONATION! SEE CONTACT
INFO PAGE 3 FOR OUR
ADDRESS. YOU CAN ALSO
DONATE THROUGH OUR
WEBSITE.**

**KEEP TRACK OF ISSUES
IMPORTANT TO YOU AND
TELEPHONE YOUR
REPRESENTATIVES TO
MAKE YOUR VIEWPOINTS
KNOWN.**

Every Sunday after church, my family and I would go to the Mifflin Inn to grab a bite to eat. Then we would head over to the Dairy Bar for some ice cream. I used to play outside with my little brother Jonathan and my yellow lab Chevy. I remember waving to the folks across the street and NEVER running out of new adventures to cross. I was raised here in Mifflin. I had never known a more community-oriented Village.

Now, it seems as though that community-oriented feeling is fading away. Maybe it is because of all the hate in our society. Maybe its because families are worried about making sure they can put food on the table for their family. Whatever the case may be, at this time in our society, we need a little bit more love and kindness in our communities.

Our current council has done everything they can to help our community benefit. They have always tried to keep the people of Mifflin at the core of every decision they makes about our village. Although they have done a great job, I feel that it is time for a change. It is time for a fresh face in the town hall. New ideas and creativity.

If I am so lucky to be elected Councilman, I can pledge to you that I will work with everyone to help build a better, brighter future for Mifflin. Talking to the people who make our community so great is so important, and I will do that every single day as your next Councilman.

MEET OUR COUNTY COMMITTEE

ASHLAND COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

PAULA WATSON, PRESIDENT

DAVE HOLCOMB, 1ST VICE CHAIR

ANDREW J KINNEY, 2ND VICE CHAIR

SANDY BALLY, 3RD VICE CHAIR

STEPHANIE SAFFLE, TREASURER

KARON SUMMER, SECRETARY

DOROTHY BALKIN

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ROBERTA SKOK

JANE STOOPS

DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE PRIMARY DEBATES

A historic number of Democratic candidates are running for President. We should be encouraged that so many people feel compelled to challenge the incumbent. The Ashland Dems do not support any particular candidate in the primaries. We encourage you to learn about the candidates and vote with your mind and heart. After the primary, we want to solidly and energetically get behind the chosen candidate. We **MUST** have a new President!

To help you decide, televised primary debates will be occurring during the summer and fall, and on into 2020. Here is a list of debates scheduled so far. We hope to host some watch parties, stay tuned!

- The first debate will be held over 2 nights, June 26 and 27, at 9 PM on NBC and MSNBC. The 2 nights will allow 20 Democratic candidates to debate. The candidates who have qualified to debate are: Bennet, Biden, Booker, Buttigieg, Castro, De Blasio, Delaney, Gabbard, Gillibrand, Harris, Hickenlooper, Inslee, Klobuchar, O'Rourke, Ryan, Sanders, Swalwell, Warren, Williamson, Yang
- July 30 and 31 on CNN , time and moderator TBD
- Sept 12 and 13 on ABC, time and moderator TBD
- Debates are also planned in October, November, and December, with details to follow. There will be additional debates in 2020.

This information is available online at

<https://www.uspresidentialelectionnews.com/2020-debate-schedule/>

Thank you!

The Ashland County Democratic Women wish to thank Ron Puglisi for his generous donation in memory of his Aunt Mary Puglisi, who passed away recently.



Would you like to receive this newsletter and our event blasts via email? If so please send your email address and name to jplapisjp@gmail.com

MEETINGS

ASHLAND COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Meetings are 2nd Tuesday of the month at 630 PM at the IAM Hall, 930 Grove Ave, Ashland. Next meetings July 9, August 13, September 10. Meetings are open to all.

ASHLAND COUNTY DEMOCRATIC WOMEN

The Women's Dem group meets on the 4th Monday each month at Tim Hortons back room, 1185 E. Main St, Ashland. The group supports the Democratic candidates in the 7th district and performs charitable works. The meetings begin at 5:30 pm. Feel free to drop by and join us. Next meetings are July 22, August 26, September 23.

HOW TO CONTACT YOUR REPRESENTATIVES

Senator Sherrod Brown (D)

216.522.7272 or 614.469.2083

Senator Robert Portman (R)

216.522.7095 or 614.469.6774

Congressman Bob Gibbs (R)

419.207.0650

Ohio House Rep. Darrell Kick (R)

614.466.2994

Ohio Senate Rep. Larry Obhoff (R) 614.466.7505

VOLUNTEERING

We need people to help set up and tear down the summer picnic at Honey Haven Farm. We also need volunteers to staff the Dems booths at the Ashland and Loudonville fairs again this year. Please email jplapisjp@gmail.com if you can help.

WHAT'S UP WITH GERRYMANDERING?

As you know, there was an issue on the ballot last May 2018 to redraw the Ohio congressional districts fairly, and the people voted YES! What has happened since then?

The districts were to be redrawn for the 2022 elections. However several organizations including the ACLU and the League of Women Voters want the districts redrawn in time for the 2020 elections. They sued the state and won their initial case in front of the US District Court.

State Republicans are fighting for time and have appealed the case to the US Supreme Court. There are two other state gerrymandering cases before the Supreme Court currently, so the Court is waiting on the outcome of these cases to decide on Ohio's.

The Ohio government was granted a stay and does not have to come up with a fair district map by June 14. Much rides on the cases currently before the Supreme Court. Check on the status at fairdistrictsohio.org

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