

# BENTON COUNTY DEMOCRATS' WORLD

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hello to all my hard working Democrat friends!

We only have three newsletters and monthly luncheon meetings left this year! We are excited that we will be meeting in a new location this month, on September 26th. We will meet at the Golden Corral in Rogers off Pleasant Grove Rd at 11:00 a.m. This is a new location and time!! We must vacate the room for others to eat there at 1:00 p.m., sharp! We have worked hard to make this change, so lets have a good turnout. I have guaranteed that we will have at least 30 and the room holds 70. You will pay at the door for your own lunch, \$7.69 + \$1.00 + 0.73 (tax) = \$9.42. We are hoping that you will donate the difference in price from our usual \$12 (\$2.58) to the blue bowls, to be used for candidates! Beverages will be provided in the room where we eat. If you want a soft drink, you must pay for it at the door, when you pay for your food. You will be able to use a credit card, check or cash to pay the Golden Corral. Please reserve with Pamela Clarke as usual, so we will know how many to expect. See Pg. 3 for info about our speaker.

Even though Dave and I were not able to see "Lee Daniel's The Butler," with all of you in Rogers, we did see it in Denver. We saw it with my Aunt Betty, a life long Democrat and union supporter, who wouldn't have been able to see it without us. The three of us were so moved, as was the rest of the audience - everyone clapped at the end. Even though I've spent all of my adult life working for social justice, civil rights, peace and fair play for others, I was very saddened to realize the oppression much of humanity in this country continues to suffer merely because skin color. Even with a half "white, half black" President, many people still have to 'look over their shoulder' or feel

anxious when they are in certain situations. They are profiled and must teach their children how to be extremely cautious at night or in certain neighborhoods. The three of us were equally disturbed to realize that the Butler, suffered this animosity and affront to his civil rights, even while working in the White House! Gains in liberty that most of us take for granted, are still not totally available to all in our own country!

Our country, the land of the free and the brave, the champions of liberty worldwide, has a lot of improving to do. This is precisely why we have to work so hard the rest of 2013 & 2014, to change the political landscape in our state! It's going to take lots of time, energy and money to elect compassionate, liberty for all-conscious legislators, senators and the governor, attorney general, and lieutenant governor. **Lets get busy, support all our events!** Come to the luncheons & movie fund raisers throughout this year and next! **Lets turn Benton County back to BLUE!**

Marge Boyer



## OUR NEXT MEETING

September 23, 2013

11:00 Golden Corral Rogers

**DAVID SIPPEL**

on

**CURRENT IMMIGRATION POLICY  
& PROPOSED REFORMS**

Be sure to see Pg. 3 for more about our speaker & the new time, place, & reservations

# BENTON COUNTY DEMOCRATS

## Membership Meeting Minutes

July 22, 2013

Marge Boyer, President called the meeting to order. Nancianna Knott led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mike Brown, Chair, Benton County Democratic Central Committee (BCDCC), announced upcoming events sponsored by BCDCC and asked for volunteers at booths for each of these events: Benton County Fair, August 14-17, and Frisco Festival, August 23-24. Mike also announced that 'Lee Daniels The Butler' will be shown August 24 at 10 am at a Malco Theatre TBA, and the Democratic Party of Arkansas will meet in Springdale at the Holiday Inn Convention Center on Saturday, September 14.

Professor Angie Maxwell, Diane Blair Professor of Southern Studies and Assistant Professor of Political Science, UofA, was today's speaker. Her topic was Southern politics and the Democratic party with regard to "How Words Are Used in Politics and Political Campaigning."

Marge Boyer presided over the Business Meeting. Marge announced two recent donations to the Dedicated Democrat Memorial Fund, one in memory of Betty Quillan and a second in memory of Gwen Millager. The recent loss of Jeannette Graf was also announced.

A sign-up sheet for the August 24 Benton County Central Committee fundraiser movie event was circulated, and Bill Beck provided the membership with additional details regarding the upcoming fund raiser movie, "The Butler".

Announcement made that Michael Reese will chair today's BC Democrats Nominating Committee meeting following the luncheon.

Thurmond Metcalf announced tickets are still available for Boomerang Car Wash fund raiser.

Tickets are \$12, and Central Committee receives half of the proceeds (\$6).

Tony Miltich announced a clean-up/work day event for the Elks Club was held in June with the participation of the Elks members, a Boy Scout Troop sponsored by the Elks, and members of the Unitarian-Universalist Church. Another work day is planned for fall, and more projects are scheduled for completion in the near future.

Suzanne Jessup, Vice-Chair, Benton County Central Committee talked about the Little Flock Picnic

on September 14 and said additional details will be sent out to the membership.

Ferrell Matlock, Benton County Young Democrats, announced that three chapters of Benton County Young Democrats have been chartered in the past year with two more chapters about to be approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Suzanne Miltich, Secretary  
With help from Diane Gateley, a former Secretary



### INCOME/EXPENSE REPORT August 2013



Beginning Cash Balance 6/1/13	
Checking Account	\$8,553.51
Dedicated Democrats Fund	231.00
Total Cash Balance	8,784.51

Income:	
Blue Bowls	152.44
Dedicated Dem. Fund	70.00
Donations	8.00
Meeting Income	1,104.00

Membership Dues	90.00
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Total Income	\$1,424.44
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Expenses:	
Miscellaneous Expense	500.00
Meeting Expense	981.12
Misc. Expense	29.76
Newsletter Expense	115.25
Postage	9.20
State Dem Conference	500.00
Technology Expense	216.00

Total Expenses	\$ 2,351.33
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Ending Cash Balance 8/31/13	
Checking Account	\$ 7,556.62
Dedicated Dem. Fund	301.00
Total Cash Balance	7,857.62



Please Remember to

**FEED THE HUNGRY**

## OUR SEPTEMBER SPEAKER DAVID SIPPEL

**SIPPEL**, a native of Oklahoma, & graduate of Washington University, St. Louis & University of Colorado Law School, began working for U.S. Immigration & Naturalization Service in 1998. He held positions in Houston TX & Arlington VA, before retiring as Supervisory Adjudications Officer in Louisville KY in 2012. His interest in immigration law stems from his keen interest in & sympathy for the difficulties faced by our country's newest immigrants. Don't miss this chance to learn more about this vitally important topic from one who really knows!



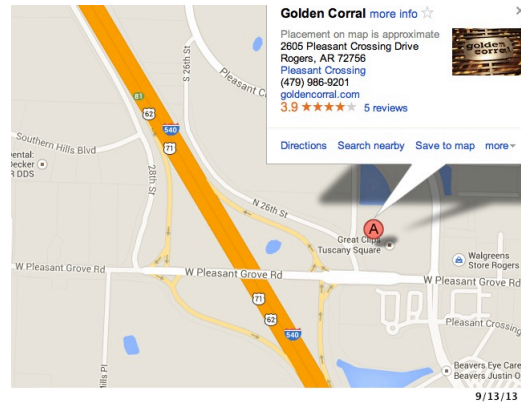
### ELECTIONS AHEAD

The Nominating Committee will present the following slate of officers for 2014 at the September meeting: President-- Marge Boyer, Vice-President-- Grimsley Graham, Secretary- Pam Buncum, and Treasurer-- Gaye Bland. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor. Voting will take place at the October meeting.

### COMING IN OCTOBER

For sci-fi fans & all who enjoy good movies, **GRAVITY** a beautifully filmed production starring Sandra Bullock & George Clooney, is for you! This fundraiser film will be shown October 12th at the Pinnacles at 10:00 AM. Get your tickets at the Sept. meeting.

## OUR SEPTEMBER MEETING



**WHERE?** The Golden Corral, 2605 Pleasant Crossing Drive, Rogers

**WHEN?** Monday, Sept. 23rd  
11:00 AM - **New** time

**RESERVATIONS?** As usual, contact 760-716-3870 or [pamelaclarke6236@yahoo.com](mailto:pamelaclarke6236@yahoo.com)  
Deadline - Sat. 9/21 - **new** time



### BCDEMS IN SUMMER

Although the club was officially on vacation, many of us still took part in activities for Democrats. There were opportunities to volunteer, like helping to tend our booth at the Fair & Frisco Days. And there was the movie **THE BUTLER** to enjoy. Most importantly, there was the annual Little Flock Picnic with the chance to meet, greet, & hear Democratic candidates. Or perhaps, you just decided to "chill out!"