

Benton County Dems' World

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The year 2017 is rapidly coming to an end. For those of you who haven't already done so, please renew your membership in BC Dems. Your participation will be especially important in the coming year as we are facing important elections. We have three Benton County candidates for the state legislature who have already announced. In addition, there is a candidate for our district in the U.S. Congress.

To renew, or join, download our membership form from the "[Membership Form](http://www.bcdems.org/become-a-member-of-the-bc-dems.html)" link at <http://www.bcdems.org/become-a-member-of-the-bc-dems.html>, complete and mail with payment to the address on the form.

BC Dems will not meet in December, but will be back at Golden Corral on January 22. Meanwhile, have a great holiday season!

Richard Bland, BC Dems president

With Celeste Williams, Candidate for State Representative Dist. 95 campaign kickoff, are:



Josh Mahoney, Candidate for U.S House of Representatives, Dist 3

Mahoneyforcongress.com

Jon Comstock, Candidate for Dist.3, Arkansas Senate,

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Chris Birch, Candidate, State Representative, District 92

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Democrats on the move in Benton County

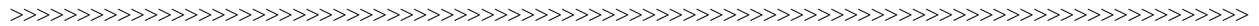
Despite a cold wind, drizzle, and occasional sleet, a group of about 30 gathered to support **Jon Comstock** as he launched his campaign for Arkansas Senate, District 3, on Saturday, November 18, at Frisco Park in downtown Rogers



More than 85 people gathered at Las Fajitas in Bella Vista, Thursday evening, November 30, as **Celeste Williams** formally inaugurated her campaign for Arkansas House of Representatives, District 95.



Pres. Richard Bland talking to Celeste with James Van Tuyl looking on, and Celeste with 3 of her followers



Chris Birch, Candidate for State Representative, District 92

House District 92 includes western Bella Vista, Cherokee City, Decatur, Gravette, Hiwassee, Maysville, and Sulphur Springs. The seat is currently held by Kim Hendren who is term-limited. Kim’s daughter, Gayla Hendren McKenzie, has already announced she will seek her father’s seat. A Democrat has not run for the house of Representatives in the district in 16 years



**A note from Sharon Carter,
Chair of Democratic Party of Benton County**

Subject: A short look back; planning ahead

It has been an extremely busy month with three candidates holding kick off events; two outstandingly successful parade entries; and donations of a little more than \$600 worth of toys to NW AR foster children.

Those who participated in the parades report exciting and extremely positive responses from the huge crowds along the parade routes. All three of our Democratic candidates and Josh Mahony marched in one or more of the parades. In addition, there were Young D's in Rogers; members of our West County chapter, many of them who helped put the entry together; and even some business people in Siloam Springs cheering on the group.

James Farley, possibly the longest serving member of the county committee, now unable to attend these events, donated funds for candy to hand out in Siloam Springs.

A great big THANK YOU to Janice LaBrie for leading the Rogers parade and Carolyn Reeves for leading in Siloam Springs

This is the kind of collaborative effort that will push Dems forward in the upcoming election year with lots of opportunities for everyone to participant.

