

Big Blue Weekend October 25-27, 2019

Day of Agenda Packet for SCC Members

The Nebraska Democratic Party is excited to see all the State Central Committee (SCC) members along with County Chairs, Candidates, Elected Officials and Grassroots Democrats at our meeting!

All of the events for the Big Blue Weekend take place at the Downtown Hilton (1001 Cass Street) in Omaha.

Amazing speakers are coming into Omaha for the events (in order of appearance):

- Senator Nina Turner will keynote the Black Caucus fundraiser on Oct. 25.
- National trainers with the National Democratic Training Committee on Oct. 26.
- Christine Pelosi will serve as the lunch speaker on Oct. 26.
- Speaker Nancy Pelosi will join us for the Morrison Exon (ME) fundraiser on Oct. 26.
- NDP 2020 Candidates along with DNC Vice Chair, ASDC President and MN DFL State Party Chair Ken Martin will address the SCC on Oct. 27.

Questions: Jim Rogers and Precious McKesson are the staff leads for the Big Blue Weekend. If you have any questions about the meeting, please email <u>precious@nebraskademocrats.org</u> or jim@nebraskademocrats.org or go to the registration desk on the second floor of the Hilton.

Registration and Guests at SCC Meetings: All Guests, SCC and SEC members are needed to register for the meeting. If you do not have a name tag, that means you did not register. Please speak with an NDP staff member.

Fun Things to Do While in Omaha: Here are some links for fun stuff to do while in town.

- https://www.visitomaha.com/
- <u>http://www.omahazoo.com</u>

- <u>https://www.joslyn.org</u>
- <u>https://durhammuseum.org/</u>

#NebDemsCare Collection: The Nebraska Democratic Party is working with the Kingdom Church to collect items for the community. Please bring toiletry items, adult and child diapers. We will have a box at the registration desk you can drop your items off to.

Big Blue Weekend Schedule

October 25-27, 2019 Downtown Hilton, 1001 Cass Street, Omaha, NE

Because of security, no one will be allowed to attend events if you have not registered, this includes State Central Committee (SCC) Members. Please see the registration desk if you do not have a name tag.

October 25: Meetings and Black Caucus Fundraiser

3:00-7:00PM

Registration 2nd Floor, directly off the escalator

5:00 PM

Latinx Caucus Paxton Room

Climate Caucus Merchants Room

Women's Caucus (5-6:30PM) Hill Room

6:00 PM

Stonewall Democrats Caucus Paxton Room

Nebraska Young Democrats Merchants Room

6:30 PM

County Chairs Hill Room

7:00 PM

Platform Committee Merchants Room

7:30-10 PM

Black Caucus Fundraiser* St. Nicholas Room

*Food, Music and **Keynote Speaker Senator Nina Turner**. The first annual Senator Edward R. Danner Awards will be presented. You must have a ticket to this event. You can purchase tickets at the door.

October 26: Blue Bench Training and Morrison Exon Fundraiser with Speaker Pelosi

8:00 AM- 6:30 PM

Registration 2nd Floor, directly off the escalator

*You must pick up your Morrison Exon name badge by 6:30pm.

8:00 AM- 9:00 AM

Light breakfast and coffee provided by the NDP and the National Democratic Training Committee Grand Ballroom Foyer (the area outside the Grand Ballroom)

8:30 AM – Noon

Training Track 1: Candidate/Potential Candidate Ballroom A

Training Track 2: Campaign Staff Ballroom B

Training Track 3: Party Leader/Volunteer Hill Room

12:15-1:15 PM

Lunch with **special guest speaker Christine Pelosi*** Ballroom C, D, & E

*You MUST have a lunch ticket. If you paid for a ticket, it is in your name badge. If you need to purchase a ticket on site, please go to the registration desk.

1:30-3:30 PM

Training Track 1: Candidate/Potential Candidate Ballroom A

Training Track 2: Campaign Staff Ballroom B

Training Track 3: Party Leader/Volunteer Hill Room

6:00-9:00 PM

Morrison Exon Fundraiser with special guest Speaker Nancy Pelosi

VIP Reception, 6-7pm Grand Ballroom (please use the doors for Grand Ballroom A to enter the VIP event)

General Reception and Photo Booths, 6-7pm Grand Central Foyer

Program and Dinner, 7-9pm Grand Ballroom **OR** St. Nicholas Room *Please see your name tag to know which room you are seated in.

October 27: NDP State Central Committee Meeting and Caucus Meetings

8:00 AM- 9:00 AM

Registration 2nd Floor, directly off the escalator

Light breakfast and coffee provided by the NDP. Grand Central Foyer

8-8:45 AM

CD Caucus 1 St. Nicholas B

CD Caucus 2 St. Nicholas A CD Caucus 3 Hill Room

9 AM-Noon

State Central Committee Meeting with special guest DNC Vice Chair and ASDC President Ken Martin and NDP 2020 candidates Grand Central Ballroom

Noon-1 PM

Native Caucus Hill Room

Veteran and Military Families Caucus St. Nicholas A

Secular Democrats Caucus Herndon Room

Nebraskans Living with Disabilities St. Nicholas B

Interfaith Caucus Washington City Room

Rural Caucus Cozzens Room

SCC Meeting Agenda Sunday, October 27, 2019

- Call to Order at 9 AM
- Pledge of Allegiance led by Jo-el Chiles, Black Caucus Treasurer
- Invocation led by Pastor Janet Banks, NDP Chaplain
- Special Guests and Candidates Address the State Central Committee members (as of Oct. 21, 2019 and not in the order of appearance which will be determined the morning of the SCC meeting)
 - Ken Martin, DNC Vice Chair, ASDC President and Chair of the MN Democratic Farmer Labor Party

- Joseph Couch, LD 21 Candidate
- Terrell McKinney, LD 11 Candidate
- Marque Snow, LD 9 Candidate
- Kara Eastman, CD2 Candidate
- Morgann Freeman, CD2 Candidate
- Ann Ashford, CD2 Candidate
- Gladys Harrison, CD2 Candidate
- Angie Philips, US Senate Candidate
- Dan Wik, US Senate Candidate
- Chris Janicek, US Senate Candidate
- Grant Sorrell, OPS Candidate District 7
- Kieran McCarney, National Ballot Access for Klobuchar Team
- Actions of the NDP Secretary, Charlene Ligon
 - Quorum
 - Seating of Delegates
 - Approval of Minutes
 - Copies available at the podium and on NDP website <u>https://nebraskademocrats.org/sccminutes/</u>
- Treasurer's Report, Ted Kessler
 - Summary of accounts
 - Copies of detailed P+L statement available from Ted
 - Reports filed with FEC and NADC
 - Copies of latest FEC and NADC report available from Ted
- Finance Committee Report
 - Finance Plan Updates
 - Morrison Exon Fundraiser and Volunteer Awards
 - National support update
 - SPIF Grant from ASDC and DNC
 - DCCC Staff Member, Jason Valandra, on the ground organizing hand and hand with the NDP.
 - Monthly donor update
 - Sign Up to Be a Monthly Donor today.
- NDP Officer Updates
 - o Jane Kleeb, Chair
 - Update on Party Reform Special Committee

- CD Meetings and SCC Manual
- Frank LaMere Grassroots Fellows
- o Richard Register, 1st Associate Chair
- o Preston Love Jr., 2nd Associate Chair
- o Patty Zieg and Ron Kaminski, DNC Committee Members
 - DNC Meeting updates
 - National Convention updates
- Staff Updates
 - o Summer Survey Results
 - o Welcome to the Party Postcard Project
 - o Block and Community Captains
 - o Grassroots Outreach with Diverse Communities

- o Candidate Recruitment
- o VAN Reminders
- o Security Handout from DNC
- o Newsletter, Listserves + Email Sign Up Reminder
- Rules Committee Report, Chair Trevor Fitzgerald
 - Update on Delegate Selection Plan process for 2020 Democratic National Convention (July 13-16, 2020 in Milwaukee)
- Platform and Resolutions Committee Report, Chair Shirl Mora James
 - Conduct any votes for proposed resolutions, which are in the SCC folder.
- Reports from Congressional District and Committee Chairs

Announcements

• Announcements from the floor.

Adjournment

• Caucus meetings to follow, see agenda.

Additional Information for SCC Members

#NebDems Store: You can purchase t-shirts and sweatshirts to show your #NebDems pride! The store features American-made shirts that are printed locally by union-shop Shirts 101. Many of you know Rick Poore, owner of Shirts 101, a longtime supporter of Democrats in Nebraska.

We added a new Dems love Ag shirt 🔌 🧾, go check out all the shirts!

Buy a shirt-->> <u>https://shirts101.store/nebraska_democrats</u>

Be a Monthly Donor: Our goal last term for monthly donors was to sign up 200 monthly donors -- and we did! Our 2019 goal is to hit 500 monthly donors. Help us reach our goal.

The Morrison Exon and Salute to State Senators tickets are not transferable. These are the new 2019 Monthly Donor benefits, which have changed from 2018.

Benefits for Monthly Donors:

- At least \$10 a month: 1 ticket to annual Salute to State Senators event and a bumper sticker
- \$25 a month: 1 ticket to annual Morrison Exon Dinner, a bumper sticker, and a t-shirt
- \$50 a month: 1 ME Dinner ticket + 1 VIP reception tickets
- \$100 a month: 1 ME Dinner ticket + 2 VIP Reception tickets + Picture with Keynote speaker.

Sign Up as a Monthly Donor: https://secure.actblue.com/contribute/page/nebdem

Minutes and Attendance List: Minutes and attendance list from our last meetings are posted online.

- See previous SCC minutes and attendance of all meetings:
 bttps://pobracleademocrate.org/accminutes/
 - <u>https://nebraskademocrats.org/sccminutes/</u>

List serves: We send emails to the lists on key information, messaging memos and updates. If you are not on a listserv and want to be, please email <u>kevin@nebraskademocrats.org</u>.

- SCC Members: <u>nebdem@googlegroups.com</u>
- SEC Members: <u>secnebdems@googlegroups.com</u>

- County Chairs: <u>nebraskacountychairs@googlegroups.com</u>
- Grassroots Allies: nebgrassroots@googlegroups.com
- Elected Officials: <u>nebraska-democratic-elected-officials@googlegroups.com</u>
- Candidates: <u>NDP-candidates-nebdems@googlegroups.com</u>

Critical Dates: Locations and dates for the upcoming meetings and debates.

- December 7, 2019: SCC Phone Meeting
- Jan. 17-19, 2020: CD3, South Sioux City
 - Featured Caucus: Disabilities Caucus
 - Possible forum with Presidential candidates, NDP and Tribal Nations
- March (dates TBA) 2020: CD1, Fremont
 Featured Caucus: Working Families Caucus
- May 14-24, 2020: County Conventions
 - The window for County Parties to hold their County Convention is May 14-24, 2020. Counties can not go before or after this window.
- June 5-7, 2020: CD2, Omaha, State Convention
 Featured Caucus: Stonewall Democrats
- July 13-16, 2020: Democratic National Convention
 - Location Milwaukee, WI (go Midwest!!)
- September 25-27, 2020: CD3, Hastings
 Featured Caucus: Young Democrats
- December 5, 2020: SCC Phone Meeting

General Election Presidential and VP Debate Schedule: The formal Presidential Commission has chosen dates for the debates after the primary.

First Presidential Debate

- Tuesday, September 29, 2020
 - University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN

Vice Presidential Debate

- Wednesday October 7, 2020
 - The University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT

Second Presidential Debate

- Thursday, October 15, 2020
 - University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Third Presidential Debate

- Thursday, October 22, 2020
 - Belmont University, Nashville, TN

Trainings: The NDP offers Block Captain and Blue Bench trainings as well as access to other national training resources.bWe can come to your county or caucus meetings as well to tailor a training. Please schedule trainings with <u>precious@nebraskademocrats.org</u>.

Block Captain Trainings

Gina Frank is our Block Captain Coordinator. She will publish the Block Captain 2020 training schedule soon. We need to recruit an additional 500 Block Captains. Email gina@nebraskademocrats.org for more information.

You can watch previous Block Captain trainings here: <u>https://nebraskademocrats.org/become-a-block-captain/</u>

NDP and National Democratic Training Committee

The NDP partners with the DNC and the National Democratic Training Committee to provide all candidates and party leaders trainings to help elect Democrats. You can access to a free training account to support your local work. Sign up for a free training account where you can access training videos and materials: https://www.traindemocrats.org/nebraskadems

DNC Trainings and Resources

The DNC offers an in-depth online training program many Nebraskans are certified in and many more are going through the certification process now. Some topics include Social Media Organizing and Fundraising. See Precious for more info. The DNC also has a Job Bank: <u>https://jobs.lever.co/dnc/2e44b5bb-6b7b-493d-8b63-a9c3a8877c66/apply</u>

NDP Contact Info and Key Links

Phone: 402-434-2180 Email: info@nebraskademocrats.org

Lincoln NDP Office: 3701 O Street #200, Lincoln, NE 68510 (new address!)

Omaha NDP Office: The building we had our Omaha office in, with other community groups, was sold. We will have our new office in South Omaha by the end of the year. We are also working out of the Sarpy County Democrats office.

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/NebraskaDemocraticParty

Twitter: https://twitter.com/NebraskaDems

Hashtags: #NebDems, #NEleg, #NebDemsCare

NDP Staff Contact Info: http://nebraskademocrats.org/ndp-staff

NDP Elected Officer Contact Info: http://nebraskademocrats.org/elected-officers

Serve as a Block Captain: https://nebraskademocrats.org/become-a-block-captain/

Serve as a Party Leader: <u>http://nebraskademocrats.org/be-a-party-leader</u>

Contact Nebraska's Members of Congress: http://nebraskademocrats.org/blog/contact-information-for-federal-office-holders

