

Welcome Dinner and Raffle



Original work by Sarah Rogers.



Original painting by Sarah Rogers.

Weston County Dems and Crook County Dems are joining efforts this coming weekend. They want to welcome you to Newcastle, Wyo for the final SCC (State Central Committee) meeting of the year. This kickoff is an icebreaker in the Cambria conference room at the Newcastle Lodge and Convention Center beginning at 5:00 p.m. on Friday the 8th. They'll be holding a raffle Friday and Saturday. Some of the prizes are original works by celebrated artist Sarah Rogers.

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JC Dems Agenda Sept 5, 2023 at 6pm
Bomber Mtn Civic Center, Room 108

RUN WY

The Equality State Policy Center is hosting RUN WY, a training for candidates and campaign staff. It will be held in Sheridan, WY on October 14 & 15, 2023. You can read more about it [Here](#).



And here's the direct [link to the application](#).

Joint Education Committee 08AUG2023

You can [watch the joint education committee](#) hearing today here:

Here are the details about the [entire committee meeting](#).

<https://wyoleg.gov/Calendar/20230801/Meeting?type=committee&id=13765>

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DRAFT Minutes



Call to Order:

Chair Greg Haas called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm. Everyone pledged their allegiance to the U.S. Flag and all the justice and equality for which it stands.

Agenda:

Under New Business, the topic "Brief Evaluation" was tabled until our Sept. meeting.

Attendance:

Greg Haas, Mary Van Auken, Lois Petersen, Kim McCoy, Linda Wilson, Jim Shell and presenter, Terri Markham.

Secretary Report:

The Minutes of July 11th were approved as written and will be entered into the record.

Treasurer Report:

Dudley provided current financial data that was read aloud by Greg.

Presenter:

Terri Markham of Uprising WY (UWY), a statewide organization targeting human trafficking, presented current fact-based information about human trafficking causes and possible remedies. She explained that human trafficking is an ever-increasing problem everywhere, including WY, and UWY's focus is on preventing it from happening through education and support for families in crisis. Sadly, very few of us were in attendance to hear this presentation, but information and an opportunity to

donate is available on the [Uprising Wyoming website:](https://uprisingwyo.org/)
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Announcements:

Lois proposed tentative dates for our fall Adopt-A-Highway trash pick-up – either Labor Day Weekend 9/2-4 perhaps tied to a Dems Labor Day Potluck Picnic in the Park or Sept. 16-17. Greg proposed we offer 2 opportunities on whichever trash pickup weekend we choose so that more helpers can fit this effort into their schedule.

Also, each month, weekly management of the Friends Feeding Friends Mini Food Pantry is being rotated among those who volunteered to help with this effort. Linda Wilson covered this past month and Lois will cover in August.

Greg announced there will be a Sheridan Dems picnic in Kendrick Park on Aug. 8 at 6 pm. JC folks are invited and asked to bring a salad or dessert to share.

There will also be a bicycle event in Sheridan Saturday, Aug. 12, starting at 9 am at Sheridan South Park Natural Area at Brundage Lane. The goal is to foster a bike-friendly community for recreation and transportation. JC Dems are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Old Business:

Greg met with Kim McCoy, our newly appointed Precinct Committee Woman for Precinct 4-8, to explain and answer questions about the job of precinct chair. We are still in need of precinct committeemen and committeewomen in several other precincts, so let Greg know if you are interested.

Upcoming Meetings:

County Officer Round-table Zoom – Aug. 9, 6 pm

[State Central Committee meeting 9/9 & 9/10, Newcastle](#)

Next monthly meeting of JC Dems – Sept. 5, 2023 at 6 pm in Bomber Mt. Civic Center Rm 108

Adjourn:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 pm.

Minutes submitted by Lois Petersen

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Ban Books. Ban Speech. Pretend You Support Freedom.

UPDATE: The Campbell County Library Board voted 4-1 to remove the Director.

Just in case you didn't think the fight is real, please note that an organization based in another state is still hard at work banning books in Wyoming. As a result of that organization's efforts, today at 3pm the Campbell County Library Board is planning to meet, probably to fire their award-winning Library Director.

Here's a story about it from the [County17.com news outfit](#).

And some backstory from various sources:

[Cowboy State Daily](#) re: rift between county commish and library board members

[Casper Star Tribune](#) re: backstory, behind paywall

[Gillette News Record](#) re: Director's Award

[Gillette News Record](#) re: backstory

Park County Guest Speaker in August

Check out what [Park County Dems](#) are up to!



Here's their post about their August meeting where they'll consider how they might become interesting to the "Youth Vote".

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Call to Order: Chair Greg Haas called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm.

Agenda: There were no additions to the agenda.

Attendance: Greg Haas, Mary Van Auker, Dudley Case, Sharon Case, Lois Petersen, Kim McCoy, Linda Wilson, Vikki Chenette.

Secretary Report: The Minutes of June 6th were corrected for a typo and will be entered into the record.

Treasurer Report: Dudley reported income and expenses for general and scholarship accounts as of 7/1/23 and provided a printed Balance Sheet, adding that the June 17th event put us in good shape.

Announcements: The Strategic Plan Brainstorming Work session will commence right after adjournment. We will have a guest speaker at the next meeting.

Old Business:

Kim McCoy was appointed Precinct Committee Woman for Precinct 4-8.

Lois reported on the rescheduled Adopt-a-Highway clean-up along 16 West on June 10th. In spite of rain, 6 attended. Another clean-up will be scheduled in September.

About 100 people attended the 3rd annual Sheridan County/Johnson County Potluck Gathering on Saturday, June 17th at Kearney Community Hall. All agreed it was a successful, fun, event which provided opportunities to network, learn, engage, raise funds, and enjoy great food and music. A follow-up Zoom meeting was conducted on 6/23, with feed-back from this and participants noted for the future.

Linda, Suzi, and Lois continue to maintain the Friends Feeding Friends mini-pantry at the Cornerstone Pharmacy. Sponsor signage is under discussion.

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- Comms Call – Tuesdays 7:00pm
- County Officer Round-table Zoom July 12th
- CCC 8/1 at 6:00pm
- State Central Committee meeting 9/9 & 9/10, Newcastle.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 pm.

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