



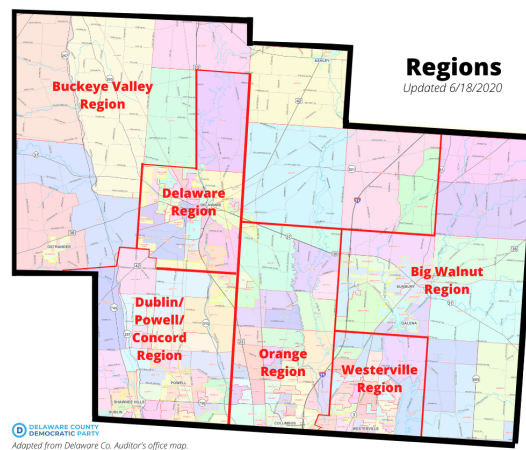
DELAWARE COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY

September, 2021

As we have noted before, this year's elections are nonpartisan and very localized. Each school district will vote on three board members, and every city, village and township will elect part of their governing bodies. There are NO countywide candidates in 2021, so there will be no county slate card. However, there are many Democratic candidates who need your help!

We divided our county into regions and have regional organizers for each area. In the month of September, each region will be hosting a group meeting and all are welcome to attend.

Several are scheduled already and that information is below. The organizers will also be in contact with the local candidates to ask them to attend.



Regional Meetings

Big Walnut Region

- **Main Contact:** Diane Kabler (dikabler@gmail.com)
- **September Regional Meeting:** Thursday, Sept. 16. Contact Diane for more information.

Buckeye Valley/Concord Twp Region

- **Main Contact:** Joyce Bourgault (joycedemocratic@gmail.com)
- **September Regional Meeting:** Thursday, Sept. 23 at 7:00pm. Email Joyce for more information.

Delaware City Region

- **Main Contacts:** Judy Carpenter (judycarpenter83@gmail.com) and Linda Diamond (lindadiamond14@gmail.com)

- **September Regional Meeting:** Starting Sept. 14, this region is planning working meetings and lit drops for candidates weekly on Tuesdays and Thursdays. More information will be coming in the next few days from the regional organizers so be sure to contact one of them at the emails above to get involved!

Dublin/Powell/Liberty Township Region

- **Main Contact:** Heather Karr (hstevenskarr@gmail.com)
- **September Regional Meeting: Monday, Sept. 27, 6:30pm**, at Nocterra (41 Depot St, Powell, OH 43065). Be sure to invite a friend to join us! In case of rain, date will be rescheduled.

Orange Region

- **Main Contact:** Holly Hanson (hhanson7661@gmail.com)
- **September Regional Meeting: Thursday, Sept. 16, 7:00-9:00pm**, 7661 Lydia Dr, Lewis Center. Bring your favorite wine or beer to share with others. Non alcoholic beverages will be available. Bring a folding chair and a friend! In case of rain, date will be rescheduled.

Westerville/Genoa Township

- **Main Contact:** Marya Kolman (maryakolman@gmail.com)
- **September Regional Meeting: Thursday, Sept. 23 at 7:00pm** on Zoom. Email the above contact to get involved.

Don't forget early voting starts soon - **October 5!** You can help candidates by writing postcards, hosting safe gatherings, canvassing and more. We hope you can attend these meetings to help these great candidates!

Thank you all for your participation in these grass roots level efforts.


Peg Watkins
Chair


Delaware County Democratic Party News

Delaware County Fair: The Delaware County Fair begins soon – on September 18-25, 2021! Volunteers are needed to help at Delaware County Democratic Party booth. COVID-19 precautions will be observed. [Click here](#) to see the available slots at the signup link below that includes setup and tear down.


Candidate Support Committee Update: The executive committee voted last month to publicly endorse Tracy Davidson and Kristy Meyer (Westerville School Board) and Melanie Farkas (Liberty Township Trustee), and ten additional candidates were given financial support. These candidates need much more than our endorsement or money--they need YOU! They need help with filling out postcards, delivering door hangers and reaching out to them. Give them a call today to see what they need. Being active in our local elections gains attention of those in next year's Senate and Representative elections. Let's do this!


Delaware-Morrow Mental Health Levy: The Delaware-Morrow Mental Health & Recovery Services Board has placed a levy on the Nov. 2 ballot. The Board is asking voters to support a renewal of its current one mill property tax with an additional 0.5 mill, bringing the new total to 1.5 mills. This would cost homeowners \$41.56 for each \$100,000 of property value. The organization funds behavioral health programs and services in Delaware and Morrow Counties and these levy funds will account for about 80% of their revenue for the year. Our Executive Committee will vote on whether to endorse this levy at our October meeting. Read more about the levy [here](#).

 **Upcoming Food Drive by the Delaware County Democratic Party:** The next scheduled Community Food Drive is scheduled for **Saturday, September 11, 2021**, at Carlisle Elementary School. It will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Non-perishable food and personal hygiene items are needed. For questions or to volunteer to help on September 11th, please contact Judy Carpenter at 740-513-6993 or Linda Diamond at 740-972-4884.

 **Regular Business Meeting:** Our next meeting is **Thursday, Oct. 21 at 7:00pm at Delaware Township Hall** (2590 Liberty Rd, Delaware). All are welcome to attend. We are now asking everyone to wear masks and only those who are vaccinated to attend. Note: We are closely monitoring the situation with COVID-19 and will notify our membership if we decide to move this meeting to Zoom.

OktoberFest Multi-County Democratic Party Fundraiser: Join fellow democrats on Sept. 25 for an 11-county, outdoor Democratic Party Fundraiser featuring awesome food, superb candidates and speakers. Speakers include U.S. Senate candidate Tim Ryan, Democratic Primary Candidates for Governor Nan Whaley and John Cranley, Ohio Democratic Chairwoman Liz Walters and many more. Please contact Joydeep Gupta (joydeep@ohiodeladems.org) for tickets and any questions you may have.

 **Anti-Racism Book Club:** We are reading "Me & White Supremacy" by Layla Saad over the next few months. Learn more about the book [here](#). If you'd like to join the book club, [contact us!](#)

 **Democratic T-Shirts:** Are you interested in a Democratic T-shirt? We are preparing to order more of these. Contact Joydeep at joydeep@ohiodeladems.org.

Upcoming Events:

- Sept. 3 - First Friday in Delaware
- Sept. 24 - Fourth Friday in Westerville
- Oct. 1 - First Friday in Delaware
- Oct. 5 - EARLY VOTING BEGINS and first absentee ballots mailed.
- Oct. 21 - Regular Business Meeting
- Oct. 22 - Fourth Friday in Westerville.

Email info@ohiodeladems.org to volunteer at any of these events.



[Energize Local Democrats](#)

Together, we can make a difference. We want to bring local Democrats together in Delaware County and energize them into action.



[Get Democrats Elected](#)

Many people want to do something but don't know what. There are many opportunities to support local candidates running for office and we are here to help!



[Challenge Single Party Rule](#)

Republicans have long been in power in our county, but things are changing. We are getting Democrats elected and bringing progress to our area!



Join us!

Membership to our county party is more than just a word. We are a community of like-minded Democrats passionate about bringing change to our community and electing Democrats. [Read more here](#) about how to become a member if you aren't one yet. We'd love to have you!



Get Involved

Our party meets to discuss our priorities and organize to meet our goals. There are also candidate events, precinct and regional organizing and community events. Check out our [news](#) and [events](#) pages to see what is happening -- and be sure to keep reading this newsletter for updates.

We hope to see you around soon. If you have additional questions or insights, contact our

chair, [Peg Watkins](#).



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