



Blue Review

*The Official Newsletter of
the DPSC*



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October 9th, 2023

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We are SO close to our goal of sustainability! Once we reach our sustainability goal, we can begin upgrading our headquarters, hosting more events, and stepping up our presence all around Saline County!

Go to
salinedems.com/friendoftheparty to
enroll, receive a thank you in our
next newsletter, and much more!

Upcoming Events

11/6/23, 6:30 P.M. - November Monthly Meeting

Join us at our headquarters at 101 S. Market St for our November monthly meeting! Social time at 6:00, meeting starts at 6:30! Please be there if at all possible, as we will be electing a NEW 2nd vice chair for the Democratic Party of Saline County!

If you're interested in running, please email Saline@ArkDems.org to get your questionnaire and introduce yourself to all of our members!

10/14/23, 12-5 P.M. - Saline County Pridefest

Stop by Saline County Pridefest to say hi to the Democratic Party of Saline County! We will have stickers, waters, and voter registration materials for anyone who wants to visit with us!

10/14/23, 9 A.M. - 2 P.M. - Old Fashioned Day

To volunteer at our booth, please reach out to Saline@ArkDems.org! Volunteers are badly needed, so let us know if you can help!

10/27/23, 6:00 P.M. - Brews and Brats

A cookout with good food, friends, and drinks out in the (hopefully!) cool air. Join us at the home of Melissa and Gary Fults @ 1314 E Woodson Lateral Road, Hensley, AR! Get your tickets NOW by going to [ActBlue.com/donate/brewsandbrats](https://actblue.com/donate/brewsandbrats)! All proceeds from the event make it possible for us to continue working toward our goal of growing the party and being the leader that Saline County deserves!

BREWS & BRATS
Prime County Democrats



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2023

BEER FOOD MUSIC

**1314 EAST WOODSON LATERAL RD.
HENSLEY, AR**

<https://actblue.com/donate/BrewsandBrats>

**6:00PM -
8:00 PM**

**\$25 PER
TICKET**

Updates: Saline County

Democrats Put in the WORK!

Democrats are BUSY this month here in Saline County! Last week, several volunteers of the DPSC volunteered to hand out water and register voters at Bryant's "National Night Out" event, hosted by Bryant PD! After that, on Saturday October 7th, **members of the DPSC were at 3 separate community events**, occupying our usual spot at the Benton Farmers' Market, then manning our headquarters during the Cheese Dip Festival while, at the same time, other volunteers once again handed out cold waters and candy to folks attending the Alexander Fall Festival!



DPSC volunteers registered voters and handed out waters at Alexander Fall Fest!

Coming up later this month, **Dems will be at both Old Fashioned Day and Saline County Pridefest** to hand out water and goodies, as well as hosting our very own highly anticipated **Brews and Brats** fundraiser event! We're committed to our goal of being out in the community and making sure that folks around Saline County can see that we are out there in the county, and that we believe in the importance of supporting each other. Check out our calendar for more information on upcoming DPSC events and how YOU can help make them even more of a success!

Record Recruitment?

In a truly massive accomplishment, the Democratic Party of Saline County has a REAL chance of recruiting candidates for EVERY SINGLE JP seat in 2024! With just a month left ahead of candidate filing, **all but 5 JP races have Democratic opponents**, of which only 4 have no currently interested candidates. In addition, there are TWO confirmed candidates for House seats, as well as a potential candidate for another House seat!

If you are at all interested in running for office in Saline County, regardless of the position you would like to seek, let us know at Saline@ArkDems.org! We'd love to hear from you and to help you make the best decision for yourself and the county!

WE NEED YOU

To RUN in Saline County.

We are *still recruiting candidates* for local office here in Saline County! We're looking for folks who want to see our county improved and to provide a voice for thousands of ignored Saline County residents.

If you live in one of these districts and are interested in running, reach out to us by calling/texting (501) 420-4729, or by emailing Saline@ArkDems.org. We're here to help with any information you may need!

Justice of the Peace:

- **District 2 (TOP PRIORITY!)**
- **District 4**
- **District 8**
- **District 11**
- **District 12**
- **District 13**

Constable:

- **District 1**
- **District 2**

State House:

- **District 29**
- **District 54**
- **District 78**
- **District 81 (TOP PRIORITY!)**
- **District 92**

State Senate:

- **District 6**

Not sure which districts you live in? Go to VoterView.ar-nova.org and check for yourself by entering your information, scrolling to the bottom of the page, and clicking "Districts**"!**

HELP WANTED!

Volunteers needed for committees & events!

Saline County Old Fashioned Day:

The DPSC will have a booth at Old Fashioned Day (October 14th, 9 A.M. - 2 P.M.) in downtown Benton! We need volunteers to help set up, man the booth, and help pack up at the end of the event. We'll be offering cold waters, registering voters, and distributing stickers & candy! Anyone who can volunteer would be greatly appreciated!

Community Outreach Committee:

The DPSC has been working hard to put ourselves out into the community and let the people of Saline County know that we *are* here, and that we *are* working hard toward a better Saline County. A MASSIVE part of that effort has been put together by our Community Outreach Committee. With Felix Stacy serving as the newly appointed chair of the committee, we need more volunteers than ever to help us man booths at events, plan fundraisers, and much more. If you're interested in serving on the committee, please reach out to Felix at (501) 944-1995!

Voter Outreach Committee:

In our September meeting, we formally established the Voter Outreach Committee, to be chaired by Melinda Hensley! This committee will be dedicated to more remote, online work in support of the party. Volunteers for the Voter Outreach Committee will help Melinda in updating VAN, the Voter Access Network, to make sure that folks around Saline County have their voter registration information up-to-date, and to help collect data on where the Democratic Party's efforts should be most focused! If you're interested in serving on this committee, please reach out to Melinda at (501) 249-5010!

Updates: Arkansas

Podium Pandemonium! Pande-podium?

Are you tired of hearing about that ridiculous \$20k podium? Me too. But you really can't afford to not keep up to date on it, especially now that there is (admittedly, weak) bipartisan support for an audit to be conducted in order to trace those shadowy funds.

Now, despite the fact that the ARGOP has reimbursed the state for the exorbitant purchase (which raises its own questions about ethical spending as well), Republican Senator Jimmy Hickey is now calling for a legislative audit to be conducted, saying "where we're at with this particular thing is we need to allow legislative audit to go in." Republican Rep. Jimmy Gazaway, co-chair of the Legislative Joint Auditing Executive Committee, has expressed support for Sen. Hickey's request for an audit.

Now, pop on the tinfoil hats for the newest theory to come out of this dumpster fire of a governorship: were those funds spent to discreetly promote a potential run at Washington by Sanders as the running mate for Virginia Governor Glenn Youngkin. I know, I know: how does this make any sense?

Well, per an article from For AR People, things may not be as far-fetched as they sound. In fact, if you'll recall last week's newsletter, there is already evidence supporting the belief that the funding may have been used to fund the travel costs of Virginia Beckett and Hannah Stone (owners/employees of Beckett Events, the vendors for the "podium") to go to Paris during Sanders' European trip. Further, Youngkin has been a rumored "dark horse" candidate for the Republican nomination, with some speculating that he has delayed an announcement until it becomes more evident that the Republican nominees are far too splintered to be effective. Notably, Beckett Events has worked alongside Youngkin as well, and there is now photographic evidence of Youngkin alongside Sanders at the Paris Air Show, putting yet another player in the trip at the heart of "Podiumgate."

Either way, whether we come to learn the truth of this situation or not, one thing is evident: Sanders is NOT a capable governor, and she is BAD for Arkansas.