



Upcoming Events

Wapello Co. Central Committee Meetings 7:00 PM

1st Monday of Month
Nov 7, Dec 5, Jan 2, Feb 6

Jan 16, 2006 Caucuses

March 11, 2006 Wapello County Convention

April 22, 2006 2nd District Convention

June 16 & 17, 2006 Iowa Republican State Convention-Des Moines

June 6, 2006 Primary Election

November 7, 2006 General Election

Annual Events

Saturday the weekend before Memorial Day Flag Disposal Event

Monday before the 4th of July Declaration Celebration.



Republicans on the March

First Issue of Wapello County Republican Party Line.

This is the new quarterly newsletter to inform, recognize, and celebrate the activities of Republicans. Let us know of stories, activities of Republicans, and events that we could include.

Goals

Our primary goals are to promote an informed electorate through political education, to increase the effectiveness of Republicans in the cause of good government through active political participation, to facilitate cooperation among Wapello County Republicans, to foster loyalty to the Republican Party and to promote its ideals, and to work for the election of Republican Candidates.

Parade Season 2005

Meet Peppie. Shouts of glee from children "Look an elephant." were heard during all 5 parades in Wapello County this year. Chuck & Barb Bates drove Peppie for all 5 parades. Wapello County Republicans handed out over 6,000 flags during the parades. Thank you to all who helped.



Barb and Chuck Bates at the Blakesburg Parade.

Keith Caviness, Chuck Bates, Donna Paris, and friends at the Eddyville Parade.



Keith Caviness, Cassandra Uehling, Rachel Matera and Grace Matera at the Blakesburg Parade.



Volunteer Spotlight - Great Job!!!! Thanks!!!

Chuck & Barb Bates,

Chuck donated the trailer for Peppie and they have brought him to every parade.

Linda White completed the envelopes for October fundraiser and has served several years as secretary.

Keith Caviness for fundraising and keeping the party from going into debt.

Donna Paris helped with several parades and brought helpers. Donna helped with the yellow ribbon campaign.

Charlotte Sodey made yellow ribbons and shared with Pennsylvania Place and other areas.

More to follow in next newsletters. (Let us know of volunteer spotlights)

Local Party Fundraising.

We have started mailing fund raising letters. Your donations help fund assistance for candidates, mailings of information, absentee voter requests, newsletters, signs, election year headquarters and flags handed out for parades.

- A Dime A Day to Keep the Democrats Away
\$.10 times 365= \$36.50 contribution

Receive a special label pin, membership card, newsletter and listed as a supporter.

- A Quarter A Day to Keep the Democrats Away
\$.25 times 365= \$91.25 contribution

Receive a Wapello County Republican t-shirt, special label pin, membership card, newsletter and listed as a supporter.

- A Nickel A Day to Keep the Democrats Away
\$.05 times 365= \$18.25 contribution

Receive a Membership card, newsletter and listed as a supporter.



- ✓ Send Donations to: Wapello County Republicans, PO Box 851, Ottumwa, IA 52501

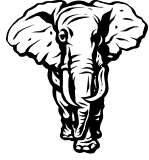
Thank you to all of you have donated.

- ✓ Mailing your donation today helps with the goals of your Wapello County Republican Party's work to return the governorship and the majority in the Iowa Senate to Republicans.

Supporters of Wapello County Republicans (from current ongoing fundraiser mailings)

Chuck & Barb Bates
 Ervin & Ila Breon
 Keith & Trudy Caviness
 Paul & Irma Clark
 Harold & Florence deBuhr
 Dean & Wanna Frantz
 Scott & Kathy Gray

David Hester
 Jeremiah House
 Tony & LeAnn Jesina
 Kendig & Carol Kneen
 William & Juanita Leutzinger
 Paul & Benita Messerli
 Densel & Phyllis Shelton
 Walter Zlogar



Call to Action

“Ten men who speak make more noise than ten thousand sitting in silence.”

1. Call, write, email, fax an elected official weekly. Let your thoughts and concerns known. Letters, calls do make a difference.

2. Write an editorial send to your local newspaper. These can be hand delivered, emailed, or mailed. Writing will let others think about an issue and may be called to action also.

Elected Officials

Senator Charles Grassley
202-224-3744
202-224-6020 fax

Senator Tom Harkin
202-224-3254
202-224-9369 fax

Congressman Jim Leach
202-225-6576
202-226-1278 fax
Ottumwa Office
641-684-1843

Thoughts from the Chair

We are happy to present the premier issue of the Wapello County Republican Party Line.

Grassroots is an important basis of elections in Iowa. We are an organization of many volunteers and of course always could use more help. With information of activities and needs, we offer the opportunity to expand our Grassroots organization. Your help is needed. Start with participating in “Call to Action”

Many exciting things are happening with Republicans in Wapello County. In the 2004 election President Bush received 45% of the vote, while 19% of the registered voters are republicans. Turnout of Republicans in 2004 was 85%. That is an effective and positive fact.

Thank you to everyone who has helped the Republican Party to grow in effectiveness in Wapello County.

In the Planning Stage

Teen Age Republican Group (TARS) formation
Headquarters for 2006

Announced Candidates

We have two qualified candidates running for Governor of Iowa.

Jim Nussle: U.S. Congressman for Iowa's 1st District and former Delaware County Attorney <http://www.jimnussle.com/>

Bob Vander Plaats: Businessman and 2002 candidate for governor <http://www.vpforgov.com/>

Secretary of State: **Charles (Chuck) Allison:** Podiatrist and small businessman www.allison4iowa.com.

Secretary of Agriculture

Karey Claghorn: Farmer

Mark Leonard: Banker, rancher and former Iowa Agricultural Development Authority chairman <http://www.leonardforiowa.com/>

Bill Northey: Farmer and former National Corn Growers Association President <http://www.billnorthey.com/>

Iowa Senate

Dist 45: **David Miller:** Farmer and attorney

Dist 47: **Keith Caviness:** Businessman and City Councilman

Liberty cannot be preserved without a general knowledge among the people.
[John Adams](#)

“Our Liberties We Prize and Our Rights We Will Maintain.”

State Motto of Iowa

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You Might Be a Republican...

- If you believe that moral decay and the destruction of the traditional family is dragging Americans down.
 - If you believe that education is the key to opportunity.
 - If you believe that the government should practice fiscal responsibility and allow citizens to keep more of the money they earn.
 - If you believe free enterprise and encouraging individual initiative has brought this nation opportunity, economic growth and prosperity.
 - If you believe in peace through strength and that to be second best militarily is to be last.
 - If you believe that Americans must retain the principles that have made us strong while developing new and innovative ideas to meet the challenges of changing times.
 - If you believe that personal integrity in public service still matters.
 - If you believe that if you commit the crime, you do the time.
 - If you believe in the right to bear arms.
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