



A monthly publication of
the Alpena County
Democratic Party

Michigan Democrats Fighting for Michigan Workers

Meet our ACDP Committee Chairs



Kathy Bower is Communications Committee Co-Chair. She was formerly Lead Psychologist for Cincinnati Public Schools. Kathy serves on the Boards of LWV & Art in the Loft.



Elaine Stenger is Communications Committee Co-Chair. She was a Professor of Communication at the University of Cincinnati. Elaine has been a life-long social justice advocate.

Our goal is to promote the ACDP and Democratic Candidates!

Letter from the Chair

Dear Friends:

We hope that you are well during this time of Covid-19 and that you will reach out for support should you have any unmet needs.

As we move into campaign season, we are finding new ways to connect our Democratic candidates with the citizens they wish to represent. Democrats are working hard to support and protect Michigan workers! They understand Main Street, not Wall Street, is the heart of our country!

We will continue to share virtual "Meet the Candidate" events – a great way to learn from the comfort of your home. We are beginning a few safe public gatherings in case you need some fresh air and comradery! Follow our Facebook page and your email for updates.

Our new Activism Committee is up and running and the League of Women Voters is hosting videotaped debates! Details of all these creative and exciting events are included in this Newsletter.

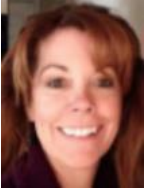
We also encourage you to Register for Absentee Voting. With the uncertainty of the Fall, we want you to vote safely and with confidence. Let's do all we can to promote the vote for Joe Biden and all Democratic candidates up and down the ballot. *Moving forward - never backward.*

Marie Fielder

Committee Chairs



Chuck Herring is Finance Committee Chair. He was a JH & HS teacher in Sault Ste Marie and a union bargainer for Education Employees. He has managed several local campaigns. Chuck's goal is to improve our financial position.



Marie Fielder is Activism Committee Chair. Her goal is to raise awareness of issues of particular concern to us in NE MI with demonstrations, symposiums and old fashioned campaigning.



Mike McGirr is Election Committee Chair. His goal is to recruit, train and support our local Democratic candidates, poll watchers and precinct monitors.

Join the MI Democratic Party & become an Alpena Party Member

You must be a resident of Alpena County.

Join free:

<https://michigandems.cp.bsd.net/page/signup/member-sign-up>

Absentee Voting

We encourage ALL voters to register for the Permanent Absentee Voter list. You can call the County Clerk's office and tell them you want to be placed on that list. This means each year you will be sent an **Application for your Absentee Ballot** for the upcoming elections. You must return this in order to receive your ballot.

Track your application and ballot through the entire voting process at Michigan Voter Information Center: www.Michigan.gov/vote

Alpena County Clerk 989-356-0297
Alcona County Clerk 989-724-9410

Important Dates

Register to Vote for the Primary Election

Election August 4th, 2020
Mail in registration deadline July 20th,
Walk in registration July 21 - August 4th
(with proof of residency)

Line 5

The ACDP Executive Board signed a letter, written by the Cheboygan County Dems, urging Governor Whitmer and Attorney General Nessel demand Enbridge decommission and shut down Line 5. Two recent incidents underscore the devastation we would suffer economically and environmentally.

Please contact your representatives in Lansing to tell them to shut down Line 5 permanently. Todd Koss ACDP Secretary

Activism Committee

The newly formed Activism Committee, under Marie Fielder's leadership, is up and running! They are already exploring possible Virtual Symposiums on such issues as: health care for all, climate change, water quality in Northern MI, security of women's rights, LGBTQ rights, etc. Door tags and/or pamphlets which describe the Democratic Party message, ideals and contact information are being researched. Contact ACDP if you would like to join!

acdp864@gmail.com

Election News

* **No split ticket** - you may **ONLY** vote Democratic **OR** Republican in the Primary

* **Candidate Forums** – live on LWV Facebook page or after.

Alpena County Candidates
July 14, 6:30 pm

Alcona County Candidates
July 21, 6:30 pm



Monthly Membership Meetings

The Third Thursday of the month at 5:30 PM. we meet via Zoom! Send us a message that you'd like to join and we'll send you the link: acd864@gmail.com



NOTE: Thursday, July 16th 5:30 pm
We will Meet in Person
Michekewis Park by the Pavilion
Look for the Blue Top!!
1302 S. State Street, Alpena
Join Us!!

\$hameless Ploy for Money

Of course, we need your help! Electing Democrats takes resources and the simplest way to help is with a donation. Giving is easy with just a few computer clicks and a credit or debit card. To donate ONLINE: <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/alpenademocrats>

Prefer to mail a CHECK? We accept those too!
Payable to **Alpena County Democratic Party**
Mail to: **PO Box 611, Alpena, MI 49707.**
Include the handy donation form included here. □

Alpena County Democratic Party Donation form

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Campaign finance laws require the following information

Are you employed? Yes No If yes: Occupation _____

Employer _____

Address _____

Contribution rules:

I am at least eighteen years old. This contribution is made from my own funds. Funds are not provided to me by another person or entity for the purpose of making this contribution. I am a U.S. citizen or lawfully admitted permanent resident (i.e., green card holder). I make this contribution with my own personal credit card and not with a business credit card or a card issued to another person.

Meet the Candidates

Each month we will profile **Democratic candidates and issues for you.** If you have any questions, we will search for answers. acdp864@gmail.com



Joe Biden is running for President and earned the support of both Democrats and Republicans. Read

more at: <https://joebiden.com/>

After the August Primary, we will support either **Dana Ferguson** or **Linda O'Dell** for 1st Congressional District.

Lee Ann Johnson is running for State Representative from the 106th.

Kathy Thomas is running for Alpena County Commissioner (District 3).

Bob Adrian is running for reelection as County Commissioner (District 2).

Bruce Hunnicut is running for Township Supervisor and is presently an Alpena Firefighter.

Stay in Touch

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www.facebook.com/ALPDEMS/

Twitter: twitter.com/ACDP27019856

Instagram: www.instagram.com/alpenadems/

Website: www.alpenademocrats.org/

Upcoming ACDP Events

Coffee with a Candidate

Featuring **Dana Ferguson** for the 1st District
Saturday, July 18, 10:00 - 11:00 am

Zoom Meet Up

Dana is running against Linda O'Dell in the August 4th Primary to be the party's nomination for Michigan's 1st Congressional District.

<https://www.fergusonformichigan1.com/>

<https://lindaodellforcongress.com/>

Evening with a Candidate

Featuring **Judge Michelle Rick** for Michigan
Court of Appeals 4th Judicial District
Wednesday, July 22, 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Zoom Meet Up

Meet Judge Michelle Rick and hear how she will protect and ensure fair and equal justice for all Michiganders.

<https://www.judgemichellerick4micoa.net>

For Zoom Link information on these

events contact us at: acdp864@gmail.com

Get your Democratic Yard Signs

July 20, Monday, 10:00 – 1:00
Starlight Beach near Kiddie Splash Park

July 25, Saturday, 8:00 – 1:00
Between Starlight & Michekewis Parks
near the Farmers Market

Look for a Blue tent and signs

Or email Todd at DemSec1920@hotmail.com
to arrange for signs!!