



Antrim County Democratic Party

PROMOTING AMERICA by serving social justice, civil liberty and the common good, and by working to assure the full participation of all members of society in governmental and political processes.

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Dear Antrim County Neighbors:

During the 2004-2006 election cycle, the Antrim County Democratic Party sponsored several outstanding programs on important issues, and made spectacular progress as an organization. Here is a partial list of highlights:

- Membership increased from less than 30 to more than 250
- We took in more than \$20,000 from memberships, donations and fund raisers
- We gave financial support to the campaigns of Jennifer Granholm, Debbie Stabenow, Amos Williams and our seven local candidates
- Democratic Party Precinct Delegates grew in number from 8 to 34
- We raised more than \$2000 and collected untold hundreds of pounds of food for County food pantries
- We rented an office on a conspicuous corner in Bellaire during the months prior to the 2006 election
- We welcomed the creation of the Antrim Area Women Democrats which now has a list of more than 150 active participants
- Standout programs were the visits of Governor Granholm, Amos Williams, Judge Deborah Thomas, and Senator Carl Levin.

For 2007, we have articulated the following goals:

- We will go to work NOW to significantly increase the percentage of Democratic vote in all precincts in Antrim County in 2008
- We will do everything we can to assure that a Democratic President is elected in 2008
- We will bring programs and expert speakers to educate ourselves on critical local and national issues
- We will tie Antrim County into the regional database of community resources so that our citizens can easily locate help in any area of health and human service
- We will considerably expand our food pantry collections and support
- We will promote the use of new—hugely energy-saving—light bulbs, perhaps selling them throughout the County, perhaps also donating them for distribution from food pantries.

The 2007 membership year begins February 1. Please join us as a new member, a renewing member, or as a friend. The application form is attached. If you are a 2006 member, we have included the information we currently have for you—you need only make corrections. We encourage you to copy the application form and distribute it to your friends so that they might join us.

We welcome your participation in our 2007 activities, and seek your ideas for goals, programs and fundraisers. Your involvement raises our visibility in the County, in Lansing and in the 2008 national elections. Your financial support and energy make things happen.

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