

*DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF WISCONSIN*

**2012 STATE CONVENTION**

*JUNE 8 & 9 APPLETON*

# CONVENTION PROGRAM

**APPLETON, WISCONSIN**

Authorized and paid for by the Democratic Party of Wisconsin, Mike Tate, Chair

# *Welcome Wisconsin Democrats!*



*“ If people ask you what this campaign is about, you tell them it’s still about hope. It’s still about change. It’s still about ordinary people who believe that in the face of the greatest odds, we can make a difference in the life of this country. ”*

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Racine - River Falls - Stevens Point - Superior - Waukesha - Wausau**

# Welcome to the Democratic Party of Wisconsin's 2012 State Convention

**What we've accomplished over the past year and a half has been a miracle of democracy.**

In the face of an unprecedented pile of unprincipled corporate cash, we began the long work of reclaiming our state and fighting the influence of special interests that have sought to roll back our rights, take away our freedoms and insult our traditions.



The recall movement is not over, however. In fact, it's just begun with an eye toward November when we continue what we have started and work together to heal our state and set the foundations for our great Party.

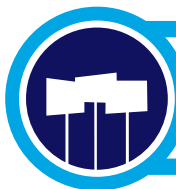
After pausing a moment for some much-needed rest, we must elect Tammy Baldwin Senator, re-elect Barack Obama as president, send home Tea Party extremists like Paul Ryan, Sean Duffy and Reid Ribble and take back the majority in the Legislature.

With that in mind, make sure to take away as much as possible from this year's convention — make connections that will become friendships, gather information that we'll need in future campaigns and be reminded why we do all of this: for our future, for our state, for our Wisconsin.

Thank you and enjoy the convention.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Tate". The signature is fluid and stylized, with a long, sweeping underline.

Mike Tate  
Chair, Democratic Party of Wisconsin



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### **Convention Agenda**

#### **Friday, June 8**

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| 2:00 PM | Democratic Unity Fair Begins  |
| 3:00 PM | Registration Opens (Lawrence Room)<br>American Indian Caucus Meeting<br>(Briarwood/Ebony Room)<br>Latino Caucus Meeting (Linden Room)<br>Asian Caucus Meeting (Rosewood Room)<br>County Chairs Association Meeting<br>(Empire Room) |
| 3:30 PM | Rural Caucus Meeting (Bond/Crown Room)<br>LGBT Caucus Meeting<br>(Parchment/Oaktag Room)<br>Veterans Caucus Meeting (Cortland Room)   |
| 4:00 PM | Black Caucus Meeting (McIntosh Room)<br>Women's Caucus Meeting (Pippin Room)<br>Platform & Resolutions Committee Meeting<br>(Crimson Room)  |
| 4:30 PM | Welcome Hospitality Suite with<br>Congressman Kind (Orchard Restaurant)<br>New Delegate Orientation (Evergreen Room)  |
| 5:00 PM | Convention Hall Doors Open (Grand Ballroom)   |
| 6:00 PM | General Session Begins with the Call to Order,<br>Presentation of Colors, Pledge of<br>Allegiance, Invocation, National Anthem,<br>Approval of Rules, and Proposed<br>Constitutional Amendment (Grand Ballroom)                     |

## **Friday, June 8 Continued**

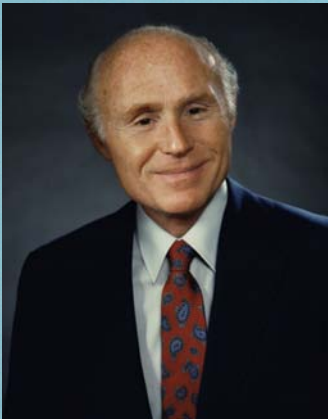
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| 6:30 PM | Speeches & Reports by Democratic Party Officers, Local Elected Officials, State Legislative Leaders, Congressional Delegation, Statewide Leaders and Special Guest Speakers (Grand Ballroom) |
| 8:00 PM | Registration Closes (Lawrence Room)  |
| 9:30 PM | General Session Ends and Hospitality Suites Begin  |

## **Saturday, June 9**

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| 7:45 AM  | Breakfast with Senator Kohl (Great Hall)  |
| 8:00 AM  | Registration Opens (Lawrence Room)<br>Convention Hall Doors Open (Grand Ballroom) |
| 8:30 AM  | Convention Reconvenes with<br>Platform & Resolutions Debate                       |
| 10:00 AM | Convention Reports  |
| 10:15 AM | Raffle Winners Announced  |
| 10:30 AM | Voting for DNC Members  |
| 10:45 AM | Speeches by Congressional Candidates  |
| 11:00 AM | Registration Closes (Lawrence Room)   |
| 12:00 PM | Platform & Resolutions Debate Continues<br>(Grand Ballroom)                       |
| 1:00 PM  | Convention Ends   |

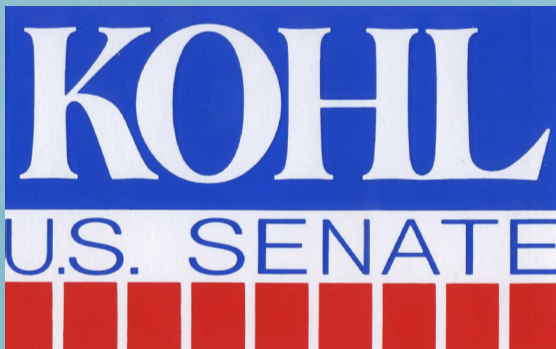


**For almost a quarter century,  
Herb Kohl has been nobody's  
senator but ours.**



**During his term, he never catered to special interests or caved to the demands of huge corporations out for profit. We knew that he went to work every morning with the interests of the people of Wisconsin at his heart.**

After building a successful business, establishing himself as a leading philanthropist, and ensuring that the Milwaukee Bucks stayed where they belong, Sen. Kohl ran for the U.S. Senate not because he craved the limelight or sought power. He always recognized the position as the people's Senate seat - not his or anyone else's.



He won a crowded primary and tough general election back in 1988 because Wisconsin voters thought he would do a good job - and they were right.

Among his many accomplishments, Sen. Kohl has been at the forefront of the battle for our seniors, ensuring they have adequate prescription coverage through the state's SeniorCare program. He fought for and preserved the program time and again.

Quietly, and without fanfare, Sen. Kohl has worked to save the retirement of America's middle class by enacting legislation protecting it from predatory forces and helped save America's markets from the excesses of Wall Street.



# HERB KOHL

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**Nobody's  
Senator  
but yours.**







The farmer, especially the dairy farmer, has always had a friend and an ear in Herb Kohl. And so, too, have students trying to pay for an affordable education.



**But that's just scratching the surface of it.**

Herb Kohl has approached his job with a humanity and a humility uncommon for such a public figure, someone who seems more at home sharing a cup of coffee with a constituent at a working-class diner than in the halls of Congress. His integrity, fairness and gracious demeanor have left their mark on us as individuals and as a Party.



Our great Party has given this nation a fair amount of statesmen, from William Proxmire to Gaylord Nelson to Dave Obey. As he leaves the Senate at the end of this year as Nobody's Senator But Ours, we can add Sen. Kohl to that roll of honor.

**It's best to say it simply, and simply to say it best: Thanks, Herb.**



*The Kohl Children, 1945  
(rear) left, Sidney; right, Dolores;  
(front) left, Herb; right, Allen*



# Visit the Democratic Unity Fair

Exhibitors from various progressive organizations are assembled outside of the Convention Hall. Participants in this year's Democratic Unity Fair include:

- College Dems of Wisconsin
- DPW Raffle Table
- Emerge Wisconsin
- Evan Goyke for State Assembly
- Fair Wisconsin
- Pat Kreitlow for Congress
- Organizing for America
- Planned Parenthood
- Progressives United
- SEIU
- Sun Printing
- Tammy Baldwin for Senate
- Tanya Lohr
- TigerEye Design
- Tony Doom
- Jamie Wall for Congress
- WisPolitics
- And More!





# Join one of the Democratic Party of Wisconsin Caucuses

"The Caucuses are a great way to get involved in the Democratic Party of Wisconsin while focusing on issues of special interest to you. They provide members with the unique opportunity to make connections and build relationships within our DPW family."

-Mike Tate, DPW Chair



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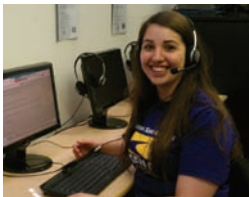
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### ***Greetings Delegates and Guests,***

*I proudly represent the 4th Congressional District of Milwaukee.*

*I am pleased we are meeting in Appleton for the 2012 State Democratic Convention, June 8 & 9, 2012. Together, we will work toward victory in November, 2012!*

***Congresswoman Gwen Moore***

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## **FEELING LUCKY? JOIN THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF WISCONSIN'S RAFFLE!**

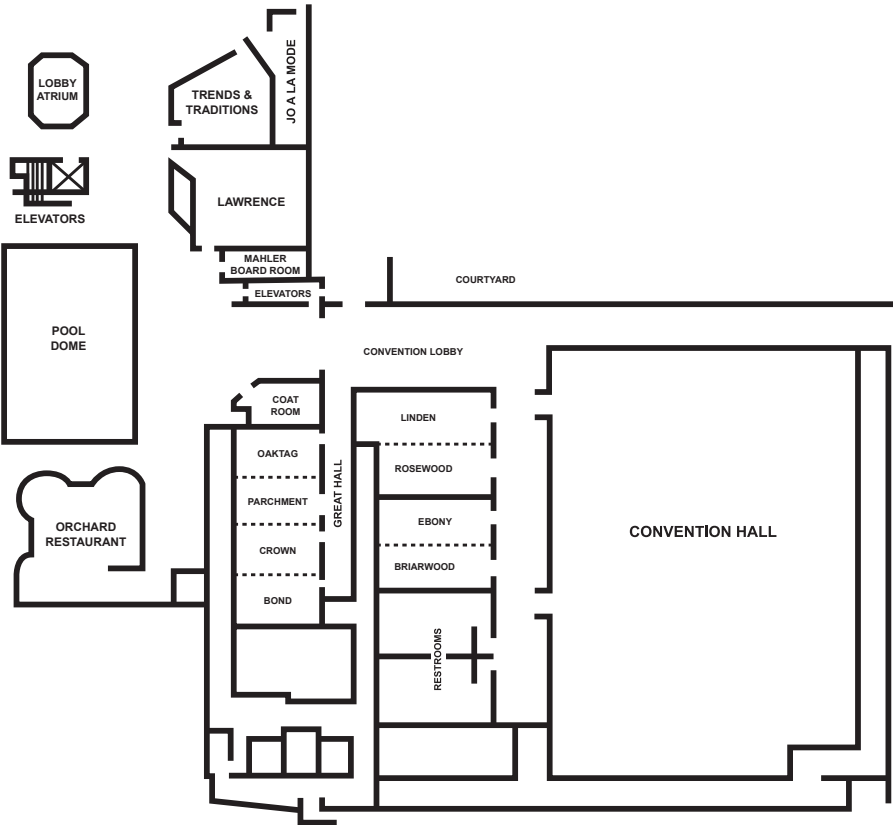
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- 3 pairs of tickets to the first UW Badgers Men's Basketball regular season home games  
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- 50-50 raffle
- An evening stay at the Sand Bay Lane Bed and Breakfast in Door County
- Assorted prize baskets from communities throughout Wisconsin  
*donated by local county parties*
- And more!

**Tickets at 2 for \$5, 5 for \$10**

Note: to win raffle prizes, candidates must be present at the drawing session on Saturday morning.

# HOTEL MAP







# **Welcome to the 2012 State Democratic Convention**

**THANK YOU WISCONSIN DEMS!**

**Please Join  
U.S. Senator Herb Kohl  
For Breakfast**

**Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
7:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.**

**Great Hall  
Radisson Paper Valley Hotel  
333 W College Avenue**

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