

# The Schaumburg Democrat



Schaumburg Area Democrats



## SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION EDITION

### Annual Breakfast Another Full House



This year's Annual Schaumburg Area Democrats Breakfast Fund Raising event had another huge attendance. A near capacity crowd filled the Banquet Room at Chandlers Chop House this past October. In addition to several members of the Schaumburg Area Democrats there were short presentations by many Democratic candidates who were running

for office in the March 2012 primary election. Special Guest Speaker Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle lead the way to the podium that had an impressive list of speakers. In addition to Ms. Preckwinkle, Democratic candidates for the new 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Raja Krishnamoorthi and Tammy Duckworth spoke. State Rep Michelle Mussman, State Senators Mike Noland and Dan Kotowski, were amongst the notable speakers.

The Schaumburg Area Democrats appreciate the support of those who attended, especially the several union organizations that bought full tables. It is very important to our organization that we have



a good turn out at this event as it is our only fundraising event. The money we raise helps us to offer support to our community and to the democratic candidates that help improve our township, county, state and nation. We hope that next year has a record attendance. Remember, next year is an election year and your participation in this event is very important and worth your while.

### Time To Renew Your Membership

This continues to be a challenging times for Democrats everywhere and especially in Schaumburg Township. With the Primary elections coming up shortly, the Democratic agenda is being threatened by the Tea Party and Republicans alike. Despite the obstructionist attempts by the Republicans we have been making strides on defending the 99% from the destruction of the right wing, but we need your help to take back our country.

Once again it is time to renew your membership in the Schaumburg Area Democratic Organization. Membership dues are only \$15.00 for the calendar year 2012 (that's less than the cost of "Family Sized" bucket of Chicken). Your contribution will be used to offset the cost of supplies, mailings, general meetings and helping to support our Democratic election judges'. We continue to plan on more events for 2012, and with this year being an election year we need your support more than ever. Be sure to invite a friend neighbor or family member to join.

To renew (or join) go to our web page [www.schdem.org](http://www.schdem.org), download the application and mail your check in the amount of \$15.00 per person along with the application to Schaumburg Area Democrats, PO Box 957752, Hoffman Estates, IL 60195-7752, and when you join or renew your membership please be sure to consider volunteering for any activity you would enjoy doing.

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## A Message From Rocco

We have several highly qualified Democrats running for local offices. The primaries are just a few weeks away so now is the time for you to start getting involved with your favorite candidates. I know many of you have heard me say this before but there is nothing more important, especially in the coming year, for you to VOTE and hopefully, get involved in some way.

In these last 2 years we have seen the destruction that the right is doing to the 99% and the protectionist efforts they are giving to the wealthiest amongst us. We need fair taxes, Job growth, healthcare for all Americans, protection of Medicare and Social Security, the protection of the right of all workers, and equal treatment, rights opportunity and freedoms for ALL Americans. The only way we can stop the attacks of the Tea Party and the Republicans is to get Democrats elected wherever possible. And to get Democrats elected it means every member needs to support Democrats. Get involved to save yourself and the country. And Thanks to all of you who have been working so hard for us this past year.

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## Myrna Frankel Receives Outstanding Election Judge Award



Congratulations go out to Myrna Frankel for being chosen to be honored as an “Outstanding Election Judge for 2011” by the office of Cook County Clerk David Orr. The ceremony was held October 19, 2011 in Chicago, hosted by CBS 2 reporter Vince Gerasole.

This award was presented to Myrna because of her exemplary commitment to the democratic process for steadfastly working hard with the County Clerk’s Office to assure that voters receive professional and courteous treatment during the voting process. Myrna has volunteered her time to help the Democratic Party of Schaumburg Township to be sure that we have proper representation of Democrat Election Judges at every township polling place.

We are also thankful to Myrna for her time and effort in this task and we are proud of her being presented with this honored award.

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## Update Your Information

As an organization we are attempting to disseminate information about the organization, issues that affect members or Democrats in general, as well as information about, the Democratic Party and the Candidates and Elected Officials that represent us at all levels of government. We are also increasing our activity in the community.

As such we have enhanced our Web Page ([www.schdem.org](http://www.schdem.org)); and our Facebook Page (<https://www.facebook.com/pages/>

[Schaumburg-Democrats/58356469816](http://Schaumburg-Democrats/58356469816) or search for “Schaumburg Democrats”) has been very active and updated on a daily basis. We are also attempting to increase our communications to our membership via email. By using these methods we can keep you informed in an expedient and cost effective way.

We ask all members, or even people that are just interested in these matters, to give us your

latest contact information including you current email address. We also ask that you go to our Facebook Page and “Like” us.

Please email your latest contact information to us at [schmdemsmail@comcast.net](mailto:schmdemsmail@comcast.net) as soon as possible.

## Precinct Walkers And Election Day Volunteers Are Needed

To volunteer to walk precincts to hand out Candidate literature or to help on Election day to put up signs, be a Poll Watcher or deliver lunches or to volunteer to help in any way please call Mike Cudzik at 847-353-9202.

As our organization grows our need for volunteers continues to grow. We need people to volunteer to do various activities such as assisting with mailings, making phone calls about our events and activates, back up our Web Master, write articles for the newsletter, walk precincts, and more.

To volunteer, please contact us by phone at 847-843-0744, or email us at [schmdemsmail@comcast.net](mailto:schmdemsmail@comcast.net) or at Facebook at "Schaumburg Democrats". Whatever time you can contribute helps to advance the principles of our organization.

## Important Dates For The Upcoming Primary Election

2/9/2012	First day absentee ballot applications are accepted
2/21/2012	Last day to register to vote
2/22/2012	First day of grace period registration and voting
2/27/2012	First day of Early Voting
3/13/2012	Last day of grace period registration and voting
3/15/2012	Last day of Early Voting
3/16/2012	In-person absentee voting begins at the Clerk's downtown Chicago office and five suburban courthouse mini-centers AND Last day voted mail-in absentee ballots can be postmarked for acceptance by the Clerk's office
3/19/2012	Last day of in-person absentee voting at the Clerk's downtown Chicago office and five suburban courthouse mini-centers
3/20/2012	Election Day

## Early Voting

- For the March 20, 2012 Primary Election, Early Voting will take place from **February 27 to March 15**. Check David Orr's web site for times and locations.
- Remember to bring a government-issued photo ID such as a passport, driver's license, or military ID. All Early Voting is conducted on touch screens.
- Voters do not need to provide an excuse or reason why they cannot make it to the polls on Election Day. You need only to fill out an application at the Early Voting site.
- State law requires early voters to display valid identification to an election official before receiving a ballot to vote early. Valid forms of ID include: a current driver's license, state-issued ID card or another government-issued ID with a photograph.
- Early Voting is conducted on touch screens that store every ballot style in the county, permitting any voter in suburban Cook to vote at any location.
- Your ballot will remain secret and securely stored.
- Voters who participate in Early Voting must vote in person.

## Support our Members

Schaumburg Area Democrats members Raja Krishnamoorthi is running for Congress in the 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District. For more information about Raja go to [rajaforcongress.com/](http://rajaforcongress.com/). and Micelle Mussman is running for State Representative in the 56<sup>th</sup> District for more information about Michelle go to [www.votemichelle.org/](http://www.votemichelle.org/).

Become a Fan of the Schaumburg Area Democrats on Facebook at

"<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Schaumburg-Democrats/58356469816>"

or search for "Schaumburg Democrats"




## Absentee Voting

Absentee voting by mail is a convenient way to cast your ballot if you are unable to get to your polling place on Election Day or to cast your ballot during Early Voting at a designated Early Voting site.

Any registered suburban Cook County voter may apply for an absentee ballot. It is no longer necessary to provide a reason.

Please note: This information pertains to suburban Cook County voters only. If you live in the City of Chicago, visit [www.chicagoelections.com](http://www.chicagoelections.com) or call (312) 269-7900.

If you have already requested or mailed an absentee ballot, you can track your status [www.cookcountyclerk.com/elections/voterprofile/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.cookcountyclerk.com/elections/voterprofile/Pages/default.aspx).

Registered voters can cast absentee ballots by mail or in person before Election Day.

### Mail-in absentee voting

To obtain an absentee application, registered suburban Cook County voters can:

- Download and print the application, or
  - Call the Clerk's office at (312) 603-0946 to request that we mail you an application, or
- Those in Schaumburg Township can pick one up at any of the following six office locations.

Downtown Chicago  
George W. Dunne Cook County Administration Building  
69 W. Washington St., 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Chicago, IL 60602  
Call: (312) 603-0900  
Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Northwest suburbs - Rolling Meadows  
2121 Euclid Ave. Room 238  
Rolling Meadows, IL 60008  
Call: (847) 818-2850  
Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Wednesday 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

**NOTE:** The last day to apply for a mail-in absentee ballot is five days before the election. Applications must be submitted by mail, certified courier or in person. Applications cannot be accepted by email or fax.

If the election is a primary election, you must indicate your party preference (Democratic, Green Party, Republican, or non-partisan) on your application. A non-partisan ballot does not have contests for party nominations. It only lists referenda/public questions, if any. If you wish to vote for candidates running to represent their party in the next general election, you must request a Democratic, Green Party, or Republican ballot.

Once we receive your application and verify your registration, we will send you a ballot to the address you designate on your application. All absentee voting is done on paper ballots. After making your selections and completing the form on the back of the envelope and signing it, mail or deliver your ballot back to us.

Absentee ballots must be postmarked by the day before Election Day and received in the County Clerk's office within 14 days after the election in order to be counted. Absentee ballots are processed and counted at our central office.

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## Where And How To Register To Vote

There are several convenient methods of registering

### Mail-in application form

You can complete a mail-in voter application form and return it to the Cook County Clerk's office. Voter registration applications are available in English, Spanish and Chinese (select from the list on the right). Also, instructions are available in Korean and Polish. The Clerk's office can also mail you an application form. Call (312) 603-0906 to request one.

First-time voters who register by mail no longer have to vote in person the first time they vote. They can either vote in person or vote absentee by mail.

## Where And How To register To Vote (continued from Page 3)

When submitting a voter registration application:

1. Fill out the entire application
2. Sign the application
3. Mail the completed, signed application to:
4. David Orr, Cook County Clerk 69 W. Washington St., Room 500 Chicago, IL 60602

### **In-person with a certified registrar**

Eligible voters can also register to vote in person by going to:

Those in Schaumburg Township can pick one up at any of the following six office locations.

#### Downtown Chicago

George W. Dunne Cook County Administration Building

69 W. Washington St., 5<sup>th</sup> Floor

Chicago, IL 60602

Call: (312) 603-0900

Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

#### Northwest suburbs - Rolling Meadows

2121 Euclid Ave. Room 238

Rolling Meadows, IL 60008

Call: (847) 818-2850

Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Wednesday 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

A village, city or township clerk

An Illinois Secretary of State's drivers license facility. You can register to vote when you obtain or renew your driver's license or state identification card at any of the license facilities. Registration is also available at other state government offices, including public assistance offices and military recruitment offices.

Deputy registrars: Trained volunteer deputy registrars may register you to vote.

### **Grace-period registration and voting**

Grace-period registration and voting is the only way to register or change your address or name after the regular registration period ends. It is also the only way to vote if you are not registered or if your voter registration is not up to date.

For the March 20, 2012 Primary Election, grace period registration and voting will be conducted February 22 to March 13 at each Clerk's office location.

**NOTE: hours for grace-period registration and voting may differ from Clerk's office location hours.**

**Grace-period registration hours, February 22 to March 13:**

Grace-period registrants vote on touch screen voting equipment immediately after registering.

Grace-period registrants are not eligible to vote at the polls on Election Day or take part in Early Voting.

### **Identification needed when registering in person**

If registering to vote in person, you must display two pieces of identification. Neither needs to be a photo ID, but one must include your current address. Acceptable forms of ID include:

- Illinois driver's license
- Illinois state ID
- Employee or student ID
- Credit card
- Social security card
- Birth certificate
- Utility bill in applicant's name
- Mail postmarked to the applicant
- Valid U.S. passport
- Lease or rental contract

# Provisional Voting

If your registration record cannot be found or your eligibility to vote is questioned at the polls, you may still cast a provisional ballot. A provisional ballot includes all offices that are on the regular ballot, but is counted only if the Clerk's office can verify your registration. By implementing provisional voting as part of the Help America Vote Act, the Cook County Clerk's office ensures that all qualified voters have the opportunity to cast ballots. To learn more about the Help America Vote Act (HAVA), visit [www.eac.gov](http://www.eac.gov)

## **When a Provisional Ballot is Used**

### **An election judge will issue you a provisional ballot at your polling place if:**

Your name does not appear on the lists of registered voters for the precinct. OR, Your voting status has been challenged by an election judge, poll watcher or another voter and a majority of election judges agree. OR A court order is issued instructing your polling place to remain open after 7 p.m. (Everyone voting after 7 p.m. must cast provisional ballots if this occurs). OR You are required to show identification because you registered by mail, but you did not bring ID to the polling place on Election Day

\*In this instance, you must supply the Clerk's office with a copy of acceptable identification by 7 p.m. the Thursday after Election Day.

### **Acceptable forms of identification include:**

A current and valid photo ID OR, a copy of a utility bill, bank statement, government check or paycheck OR, other government document showing your name and address

Bring the ID to the Clerk's downtown Chicago office (69 W. Washington St., Room 500) or fax a photocopy of your ID to the Clerk's office at (312) 603-9786.

## **When Casting a Provisional Ballot**

Fill out and sign the provisional voter affidavit form stating that you believe you are: registered to vote OR eligible to vote in the election OR live in the precinct where you are voting

### **You will receive a copy of the affidavit form.**

1. An election judge will note on the affidavit the reason(s) you were issued a provisional ballot.
2. The election judge will issue you a card that will enable you to vote a provisional ballot on a touch-screen voting machine.
3. Proceed to a touch screen and vote your ballot.

**After voting, your votes will be secured and stored.**

## **How Provisional Votes are Counted**

Provisional ballots are counted after Election Day.

**By law, you must vote in your assigned precinct**

**After the polls close:**

- The Clerk's office receives all provisional ballots and determines the registration status for each provisional voter within two weeks after the election.
- If the Clerk's office determines you are registered and eligible to vote: Your ballot is counted. The final vote total for each candidate in an election is adjusted to include provisional votes before official results are issued.

**NOTE: If you are not registered, the votes you cast will not be counted. However, the information you supplied on the affidavit form will serve as a registration application. In this case, you will receive a voter identification card in the mail, which will enable you to vote in the next election unless you move before then.**

**You can submit your documentation by:**

- Providing the information to the election officials at your polling site
- Bringing it to the Clerk's office, 69 W. Washington St., 5th floor, Chicago
- Faxing it to the Clerk's office at (312) 603-9786

The Clerk's office must receive all supporting information within 48 hours of the closing of the polls at 7 p.m. on Election Day. Call (312) 603-0900 if you have any questions.

### **Find out if your vote counts:**

Check <http://www.cookcountyclerk.com/elections/provisional/Pages/ProvisionalBallotStatus.aspx> starting two weeks after the election to see if your vote has been counted. If your ballot was not counted, you can learn why it was not.

## **SHEET METAL WORKERS' LOCAL 73**



**Rocco Terranova**

*President and Business Manager*

**Bob Schneider**

*Financial Secretary/Treasurer*

**Mike Vittorio**

*Recording Secretary*

**Business Agents**

*Dan Ahern*

*Jim Pirman*

*Dave Brown*

*Ray Suggs*

*Mike Keeley*

*Steve Zirolì*

**Organizer**

*Brian Mulheran*

## Polling Places

Precinct	Location
1	HOFFMAN ESTATES POLICE DEPARTMENT, 411 W HIGGINS RD HOFFMAN ESTATES
2	WALDEN RECREATIONAL CENTER, 1833 THOREAU DR SCHAUMBURG
3	FAIRVIEW SCHOOL 375 ARIZONA BLVD HOFFMAN ESTATES
4	SCHAUMBURG TOWNSHIP OFFICE, 1 ILLINOIS BLVD HOFFMAN ESTATES
5/6	FRIENDSHIP VILLAGE, 350 W SCHAUMBURG RD SCHAUMBURG
7/8	ALLIANCE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH, 665 GRAND CANYON ST HOFFMAN ESTATES
9	LAKEVIEW SCHOOL, 615 LAKEVIEW LN HOFFMAN ESTATES
10	HANOVER HIGHLANDS SCHOOL, 1451 CYPRESS AVE HANOVER PARK
11	ROBERT FROST JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, 320 W WISE RD SCHAUMBURG
12	EISENHOWER JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, 800 W HASSELL RD HOFFMAN ESTATES
13/14	CAMPANELLI SCHOOL, 310 SPRINGINGUTH RD SCHAUMBURG
15	LINCOLN PRAIRIE SCHOOL, 500 HILLCREST BLVD HOFFMAN ESTATES
16	SCHAUMBURG SPORT CENTER, 1141 W IRVING PARK RD SCHAUMBURG
17	THE COVENANT CHURCH, 301 N MEACHAM RD SCHAUMBURG
18	DOOLEY SCHOOL, 622 NORWOOD LN SCHAUMBURG
19	HANOVER PARK & PARK DISTRICT, 7173 LONGMEADOW LN HANOVER PARK
20/21	DOUGLAS MAC ARTHUR SCHOOL, 1800 CHIPPENDALE ST HOFFMAN ESTATES
22	CALVARY COMMUNITY CHURCH, 1000 S SPRINGINGUTH RD SCHAUMBURG
23	SCHAUMBURG BARN, 231 S CIVIC DR SCHAUMBURG
24/25	J GOSPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 700 S SPRINGINGUTH RD SCHAUMBURG
26/27/28	GOSPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 210 S PLUM GROVE RD SCHAUMBURG
29	COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER, 505 N SPRINGINGUTH RD SCHAUMBURG
30/31	SALEM KOREAN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 10 S WALNUT LN SCHAUMBURG
32	WEATHERSFIELD LAKE ASSOCIATION, 130 N SALEM DR SCHAUMBURG
33	ALDRIN SCHOOL, 617 BOXWOOD DR SCHAUMBURG
34	SHEFFIELD TOWNE ASSOCIATION, 1000 WALNUT LN SCHAUMBURG
35	NEIL ARMSTRONG SCHOOL, 1320 N KINGSDALE RD HOFFMAN ESTATES
36	ALBERT EINSTEIN SCHOOL, 1111 LAURIE LN HANOVER PARK
37/38	SCHAUMBURG PRAIRIE CENTER, 201 SCHAUMBURG CT SCHAUMBURG
39/40	OUR REDEEMER METHODIST CHURCH, 1600 W SCHAUMBURG RD SCHAUMBURG
41	ADLAI STEVENSON SCHOOL, 1414 ARMSTRONG LN ELK GROVE VILLAGE
42	VILLAGE IN THE PARK, 1417 VALLEY LAKE DR SCHAUMBURG
43	JOHN MUIR SCHOOL, 1973 N KENSINGTON RD HOFFMAN ESTATES
44	BARRINGTON LAKES APARTMENT, 2200 HASSELL RD HOFFMAN ESTATES
45	MOON LAKE VILLAGE, 1885 JENNIFER LN HOFFMAN ESTATES
46	NATHAN HALE SCHOOL, 1300 W WISE RD SCHAUMBURG
47	VILLAGE OF ELK GROVE FIRE DEPARTMENT, 676 MEACHAM RD ELK GROVE VILLAGE
48/49	WINSTON CHURCHILL SCHOOL, 1520 N JONES RD SCHAUMBURG
50	ENDERS SALK SCHOOL, 345 N SALEM SCHAUMBURG
51	ANNE FOX SCHOOL, 345 N SALEM SCHAUMBURG
52/53/54	HERBERT HOOVER SCHOOL, 315 N SPRINGINGUTH RD SCHAUMBURG
55/56/57/58	WEATHERSFIELD SOUTH ASSOCIATION, 1111 CRANBROOK DR SCHAUMBURG
59/60	MICHAEL COLLINS SCHOOL, 407 SUMMIT DR SCHAUMBURG
61/62/63/64/65	EVERETT DIRKSEN SCHOOL, 116 W BEECH ST SCHAUMBURG
66	ALFRED CAMPANELLI YMCA, 300 W WISE RD SCHAUMBURG
67/68/69/70	FREDERICK NERGE SCHOOL, 660 N WOODFIELD TRL ROSELLE
71	HELEN KELLER SCHOOL, 820 W BODE RD SCHAUMBURG
72/73/74/75/76/77	DUNBAR LAKES CONDOMINIUMS, 720 DUNBAR LN SCHAUMBURG
78	WILDBERRY CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, 220 GREENKNOLL LN STREAMWOOD
79	MANOR CARE HEALTH SERVICES, 1920 NERGE RD ELK GROVE VILLAGE
80/81/82/83/84	ADOLPH LINK SCHOOL, 900 SOUTH WEST GLENN TRAIL ELK GROVE VILLAGE
85/86/87/88/89/90	SCHAUMBURG CHURCH OF CHRIST, 601 E SCHAUMBURG RD SCHAUMBURG
91	21 KRISTIN CONDOMINIUM, 21 KRISTIN DR SCHAUMBURG
92	THE DEVONSHIRE, 1515 BARRINGTON RD HOFFMAN ESTATES
93/94	BAPTIST CHURCH OF SCHAUMBURG, 316 N SPRINGINGUTH RD SCHAUMBURG

## Democratic Election Judges Needed

There is always a need for people to serve as election judges in every election. The next election, a primary, will be held on Tuesday, April 5th. This promises to be a hotly contested election therefore we need to fill all the Democrats election judges allotted to us. The qualifications to serve are simple: one must be a registered voter and live in Cook County.

There is a MANDATORY class and knowledge of the presented material must be demonstrated by way of a test. These classes are held at various times, days and places to accommodate all schedules. The day of election is a long one, starting at 5 am and not finishing until the polls are closed and election results transmitted (usually 8 PM). Besides doing a service to your country, participating in the electoral process, meeting new people, and actually having fun, there is monetary compensation. The current rate is \$150.00 for the day.

For more information and/or to put your name on the list of Democratic judges, please call Myrna Frankel, 847-885-8942.

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## Democrat Of The Year

Congratulations go out to Roger Bianco who is this year's recipient of the Democrat of the Year award. Roger has been active in the organization for about 10 years and has served as a Deputy Committeemen and board member for the last 6 years. He has worked as the Newsletter Editor, Facebook Administrator, IT Technical Advisor, Media & Public Relations Manager, and Graphic Designer as well as other projects. He also ran for office on the Democratic township ticket in the last election.

When Roger accepted the award he said that the biggest motivating factor for his recent efforts is because, "I hate Joe Walsh...and I will do anything I can to get him out of office". A sentiment that we think will be shared by the voters in the upcoming 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District election this November.




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## New Board Member



We are pleased to announce that Monty Sayed has joined our Board of Directors this month. Monty is very active in the community and in advancing the Democratic Party in Schaumburg Township. In addition to being a small business owner in the area Monty is currently the Managing Editor of The Indian Express Chicago. He is also the CEO of Vibrant India and is probably best known for being the person who brought the world's largest flag of India to Hoffman Estates last year at the My Vibrant India Festival. Monty will be actively involved in our organizations Indian Affairs efforts. Please join us in welcoming Monty to the board.

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## We Are Looking To Grow The Organization

We are continuing to grow the Schaumburg Area Democrats and in doing so we strive to be representative of all people in Schaumburg Township. As such we are looking for Township Democrats of Far Eastern Asia decent, Hispanic decent and also of African American decent to volunteer to get actively involved in the organization to help us with issues that are important to those demographics. We are also looking for a young person to begin growing a "Young Democrats" group within the Schaumburg Area Democrats. If you are interested, or you know of someone who might be interested, please contact Roger Bianco at [rogerbianco@hotmail.com](mailto:rogerbianco@hotmail.com).

### Our Organization Is Busy Supporting Other Democratic Organizations

The Schaumburg Area Democrats continues to support other Democratic organizations in the Chicago area. In the last quarter of last year we have attended meeting of the Indo-American Democratic Organization, The Wayne Township Democrats, and the DuPage County Unified Democrats.



The Wayne Township Democrat is a young

organization of Democrats (similar to the Schaumburg Area Democrats) in the Western Suburbs of Wayne Township. They are a growing organization that has given a voice to Democrats in their area to advance issues and the agenda of a growing group of voters in a formally strong

Republican area.



The goals of IADO are to be a unified voice for the Indian American

community, and to encourage Indian Americans to participate in the political process. They have been successful in registering tens of thousands of Indian Americans to vote, conducted candidates forums during elections years, worked on numerous campaigns for candidates running for local, state, and federal office, led campaigns against media stereotypes, and formed partnerships with Asian American and other communities on various issues such as hate crimes, affirmative action, and glass ceiling issues.



The DuPage Unified Democrats is an

organization that brings together many Democratic organization in DuPage County in an effort to have unified, cohesive and strong support of Democratic candidates in DuPage

County; and to advance the Democratic issues and agenda in DuPage County. As with Schaumburg Township the number of Democratic voters continues to grow every year.

The reciprocal support that we give these organization and they give us is essential to be sure that more Democrats are elected in the upcoming 2012 elections.

In addition, we were invited to be one of the Guests of Honor at the recent re-opening gala of the DesPlaines Theater. We wish this endeavor the best of luck in the future and we hope to see it becomes a big contributor to the local economy.

