



ILLINOIS GREEN PARTY

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ILGP STATE MEMBERSHIP MEETING – OCTOBER 3, 2015 – PEORIA

PROPOSED AGENDA

This Proposed Agenda was approved by the ILGP Coordinating Committee on September 20, 2015, to be presented to the Membership for approval at the meeting:

MORNING SESSION

- 9:00 - 9:30 Registration
- 9:30 - 10:00 Select facilitator, introductions, approve or amend agenda
- 10:00 - 10:15 Nominations of candidate/s for Executive Comm Vice Chair vacancy
& brief remarks from candidate/s
- 10:15 - 10:30 Election of Executive Committee Vice Chair
- 10:30 - 10:45 Proposal to delegate endorsing/opposing proposed legislation to
Coordinating Committee o/b/o ILGP (see Bylaws Sec. 5-C)
- 10:45 - 11:00 Report on current litigation – Andy/Chris/Vito
- 11:00 - 11:30 Panel of ILGP Office Holders
- 11:30 - 12:00 Introduction of ILGP Candidates

LUNCH 12 – 1 pm Ordering in box lunches, from Childer's Eatery

AFTERNOON SESSION

- 1:00 - 1:15 Presentation: Green Party Pledge Bank
- 1:15 - 1:30 Proposal to Adopt GPUS Logo as an ILGP Logo

- 1:30 - 2:30 Concurrent Workshops/Presentations
 - A. Single Payer Health Care, Main Conference Room (Lower Level 2 L07)
 - B. NationBuilder Workshop, Part One, Main Computer Lab (Lower Level 2 L10)

- 2:30 - 2:45 Break

- 2:45 - 3:45 Concurrent Workshops/Presentations
 - A. Growing the Green Party with Environmental Justice & Community Activism,
Main Conference Room (Lower Level 2 L07)
 - B. NationBuilder Workshop, Part Two, Main Computer Lab (Lower Level 2 L10)

- 3:45 - 4:00 Break

- 4:00 - 5:40 Brainstorming/listening session for 2016 election cycle,
including planning for 2016 ILGP Convention & fundraising

DINNER 6 – 9 pm Fundraising Dinner, Childers Banquet Center, 3113 N Dries Ln, Peoria

DESCRIPTIONS OF PRESENTATIONS & WORKSHOPS

GREEN PARTY PLEDGE BANK (Ethan Bruce)

To address the collective action problem, to answer objections such as "The Green Party is too small" and "You're wasting your vote", to give US voters the confidence to vote according to their interests, the ILGP could build and maintain a website where those who want Green solutions can agree to vote Green if others will. See IllVoteGreenIfYouDo.com (pledge bank for UK Greens).

SINGLE PAYER HEALTHCARE (Peoria Area Chapter)

In the future, the Peoria Chapter of the ILGP plans to offer a public program on single-payer healthcare. While resources already exist from Physicians for a National Health Program, they are very long and detailed, such that a presenter would have to be extremely well-versed in all of the nuances of the current system and proposed single payer systems to properly present them. To address this, we have taken one of the PNHP's Powerpoint presentations (available on their website to contributing members) and, as a group, edited it to focus on the main points, and it almost speaks for itself. We will show our edited version of this powerpoint. (30 to 45 minutes)

GROWING THE GP WITH ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE & COMMUNITY ACTIVISM (Peoria Chapter)

The traditional separation between civil rights activism and environmental activism is closing rapidly in the 21st Century. The World Climate March in NYC 2014 was dramatic evidence that all over the planet, the struggle for justice and the struggle for a healthy sustainable world are increasingly the same struggle. The Green Party is perfectly situated to help bring these two efforts together, both ideologically and because of our members' ongoing activism. One example of this effort is the Peoria experience, which will serve as the starting point for discussion with this Workshop.

David Pittman, ILGP member and founder of the Peoria Area Greens, is working with both the Peoria Branch NAACP and the Peoria Sierra Club Group to explore and nurture the common ground of social justice and clean air, adequate supplies of clean water, and safe food. The National NAACP has a long commitment to environmental issues and recently elevated the issues of clean air, adequate supplies of clean water, and safe food to the same priority as its concerns for voting rights, equal education, youth, access to health care, and criminal justice. Sierra Club has recently elected its first African American president and publicly committed to involvement with issues of social justice. For two years, Peoria Branch NAACP has been part of a community coalition dedicated to the phase out of the oldest, dirtiest coal energy plant in central Illinois. We will explore the historically separate missions of these two groups and examine the experience of Peoria to discuss how we can work to bridge the gap between white and minority, rich and poor, on a local level. Workshop participants will explore how the ongoing lessons of Peoria may be relevant for Greens within their own communities. Recommended reading includes Van Jones, Web DuBois, and Cornell West. (45 minutes)

NATIONBUILDER WORKSHOP (Dave Sacks)

Each chapter may have up to 2 to 4 representatives, each at an individual workstation, in the library's computer lab (20 workstations), to learn how NationBuilder can be used for local Chapter development. Please preregister, so that we know how many workstations we will need and to ensure that every interested Chapter is able to participate.

Part One (60 minutes total)

Use NationBuilder to identify Green Party members and identify prospects in your region. Each participant will learn will learn the available search criteria available, how to search and sort the database to create a list of prospects and/or members, and how to send an email to those lists. Lists can be created electronically and/or printed out at the workshop. (30 minutes) Additional one-on-one instruction and or individual practice. (30 minutes)

Part Two (60 minutes total)

Participants will learn how to create a Chapter webpage within NationBuilder and actually create that page during the workshop. This page can link to their own preexisting chapter page or stand on its own as that Chapter's webpage. Participants will learn how to edit, add images, and make changes to the layout. (30 minutes) Additional one-on-one instruction and/or individual practice. (30 minutes)