



Democracy for Tennessee CONVENTION '07

Saturday, April 7, 2007 : Nashville, TN

Convention Schedule

<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>TOPIC</u>
8:30 am	<u>Registration</u>	Main Lobby	Attendees register for Convention, receive packets, and network. Coffee and snacks available.
9:00 am	<u>CALL TO CONVENTION</u>	Tennessee Room	DFT's executive director Jim Grinstead welcomes attendees to the Convention and reviews the day's schedule.
9:20 am	<u>Opening Remarks</u>	Tennessee Room	Tennessee Democratic Party chairman Gray Sasser addresses the assembly. Other speakers and announcements.
9:30 am	<u>Convention Address: "From the Ground Up"</u>	Tennessee Room	DFT chairman Mark Naccarato explains all that DFT has worked on in 2005/2006 and charts the course by unveiling the 2007 strategic plan.
9:45 am	<u>BREAK I</u>		Coffee social, first door prize drawing.
10:00 am to 12:00 pm	<u>WORKSHOPS I</u> <u>"Green Tennessee"</u> <u>"Vote By Mail"</u> <u>"Building the Movement"</u>	Democracy Room Room 4 Tennessee Room	Training on the state Green Tennessee campaign. Instructors: Doug Morse, Jeff Barrie, Seanna Brandmeir. Training on the state Vote By Mail campaign. Instructors: Dave Thomas and Adam Smith. Panel discussion on what progressive values are and how we work together. Moderator: Nell Levin. Panelists: Cynthia Bennett, Doug Collier, Tony Garr, David Lubell.
12:00 pm	<u>LUNCH WITH LAMONT</u>	Tennessee Room	Jim Dean introduces Ned Lamont, former U.S. Senate candidate, who speaks about the role and power of the grassroots. There will also be a ceremony to announce the new chair of Democracy for Tennessee.
1:00 pm to 3:30 pm	<u>WORKSHOPS II</u> <u>"Grassroots on the Hill"</u> <u>"Citizen Journalism 101"</u> <u>"Root Camp"</u>	Democracy Room Room 4 Tennessee Room	Workshop on legislation and lobbying. Instructors: Stewart Clifton, Rep. Janis Sontany, Rep. Rob Briley. Workshop (w/ tutorial) on building a progressive media network in Tennessee. Instructors: Jim Grinstead, Sean Braisted, Angela Trigg. Workshop on campaigns & elections. Message, targeting, and door-to-door canvassing. Instructors: Ned Lamont, Jim Dean, Freda Player, Michael Gass, Georgia Weindling.
3:30 pm	<u>"Summit Up"</u>	Tennessee Room	What we've learned and how we plan to put what we learned into action by organizing. Door prize drawing. Set dates for future events, including DFA Training Academy on April 28/29 in Knoxville.
4:00 pm to 5:00 pm	<u>DFT Candidate Forum</u>	Tennessee Room	DFT and DFA Nashville are proud to sponsor a candidate forum for Nashville's 2007 Mayoral election. Moderator: Mary Mancini.

Convention adjourns at 5:00 pm