

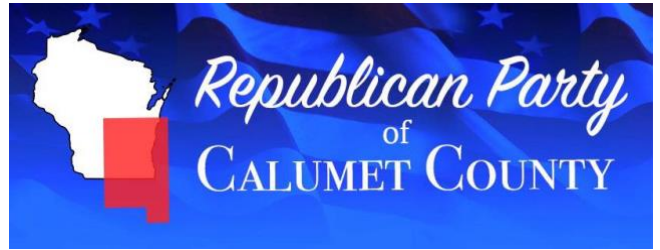
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**AFTER OVER A DECADE, THE REPUBLICAN PARTY OF CALUMET COUNTY IS NOW UNDER  
NEW LEADERSHIP**

**CHILTON** - The Republican Party of Calumet County met in Chilton on Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup> to hold their annual caucus. This year's meeting was attended by a record-breaking number of new members. Over 75 new members joined and attended to take part in the caucus and to hear presentations from 11 guest speakers. These speakers included political leaders who represent all areas of Calumet County and public office candidates.

The large influx in new membership was the culmination of the efforts by two New Holstein area residents who, over the past two months, found and gathered many other like-minded citizens who were concerned about a variety of political issues that affect all citizens in Calumet County. They all voiced their willingness to help work to protect our Constitution, our Liberty and our Freedom. Most who wished to join the party expressed their disappointment when the widespread Conservative Movement stopped after the presidential election. They said they wanted to be a part of an organization that will work to continue that movement and they were willing to make it so.

The caucus began with Chairman, Ralph Prescott, calling the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. An invocation was done and routine business matters were accomplished. Prescott then nominated Ty Bodden of Stockbridge to be his successor. Who then read the report of the Nominations Committee, and votes for the Executive Committee officer positions were taken. All nominated were unanimously elected to their positions:

- Ty Bodden, Chairman
- Julie McGrath-Ruh, First Vice Chair
- Tom De Troye, Second Vice Chair
- Mandy Woelfel, Secretary
- Ann Calnin, Treasurer

Chairman Bodden reported that of the many actions the local party will be undertaking, Election Reform will be their first goal. They will be working with all levels of the Republican party from the State of Wisconsin on up to the National Republican Party on this important issue as well as many others.

Bodden said he knows that as with our current surge in members, there are many other concerned conservatives who want to see positive movement in many areas of our government, and the best way to do it is by joining the local party. He said the input from all members is invaluable and their help with our efforts is greatly appreciated. Every legal citizen of Calumet County, 18 and over will be very welcomed to join and hopes that people of all ages will participate. The new executive team is looking to have a website up in the next couple of months and hopefully have a headquarters in Chilton. They are also planning more events throughout the year. Chairman Bodden would also like to thank Ralph Prescott for all of his years of dedicated service to the County Party. For information about the party or if you want to join the Calumet County Republican Party, please contact them via email at [calumetcountygop@gmail.com](mailto:calumetcountygop@gmail.com) or by phone at (920) 418-9433. They can also be reached at their Facebook page, Republican Party of Calumet County.

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