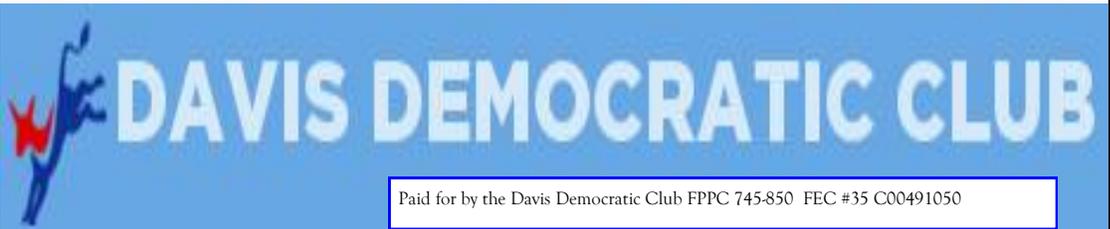


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The Annual Bean Feed



The Annual Yolo County Democratic Party Bean Feed was held in the Davis Senior Center and attended by about 300 Democrats, all of whom are enthusiastically looking forward to the November elections. The Bean Feed is the YCDP's major fundraiser and this success will underwrite the Party's work in the November election.

Guests of honor included **Congressman Garamendi, CA Senator Bill Dodd and Assemblymember Cecilia Aguiar-Curry**, each of whom gave an update on current events.

Rep. Garamendi expressed deeply felt moral outrage saying, "**Never, ever did any American consider that our President would rip children away from their parents.**"

Traveling to the border, he was horrified by the Administration's "**gross negligence**" as they did not even take cell phone photographs as a means to identify the parents with their children. He decried the Republican tax cuts as causing a two-trillion-dollar deficit of which 85% goes to the top 10% and ushering in a "**second Gilded Age of income inequality only seen once before.**"

As a first, the annual Weir-Williamson Award for outstanding service to the Yolo County Democratic Party was presented to a

group, the Davis Local of the Firefighters Union. In addition to serving and protecting our community, members of the Local have been an active volunteers, walking precincts, telephone banking and BBQing outstanding tri-tip at political gatherings, as for example the annual Bean Feed. Thank you, Firefighters, for also fighting for these good causes.

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Tues., Oct. 2, 7:00-9:00 pm. Monthly Board Meeting, Davis Campaign HQ Office, 911 3rd St. (in the back). The Board conducts routine business and plans future events. All members are invited.

Sat., Oct. 13, HQ Campaign Event (10:00 am –12:00 pm) and Annual Fall BBQ (12:00-2:00 pm). Providing you with a great opportunity to celebrate while electing Democrats, phone banking and mailing postcards will be conducted at the HQ Office prior to the annual Fall BBQ. Stop by in the morning to volunteer and then enjoy grilled sausage and a cold drink. The program will include an update on local campaign activities.

Candidate Statements: *The Davis Democratic Club has not endorsed any candidates running for either the Yolo County or Davis school boards. However, as an informational service to assist you in deciding your vote, this Newsletter edition is publishing candidate statements from: Tom Adams, Cynthia Pickett and Joe DiNunzio who are candidates for the DJUSD Board (see below and page 3) and from Melissa Moreno and David Murphy, who are candidates for the 2nd District Yolo County Board of Education (see page 4).*

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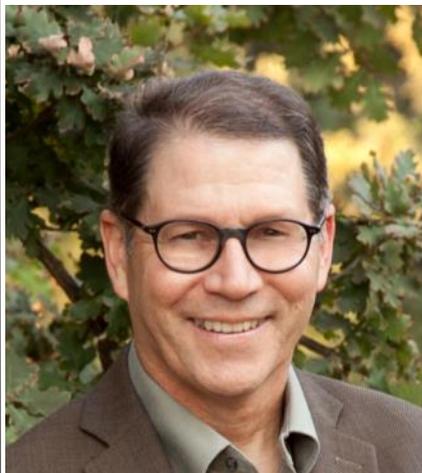
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Thomas "Tom" Adams, Trustee

I advocated to improve Davis schools during my first term and supported the following accomplishments: building of the All Student Center at Davis High, increasing the number of counselors, using later start times for middle and high schools, educating all students regardless of immigration status, expanding Spanish Immersion, and increasing LGBTQ representation in the curriculum. Recognizing Davis does not receive adequate monetary support under the Local Control Funding Formula, I sought more funding for schools and was co-lead on the Parcel Tax Subcommittee that supported Measure H, the funding for arts, robotics, music, and world languages. Because teachers are the backbone of the district, I worked to close the wage gap and voted for a 3.5% salary increase. However, more effort is needed, and I support a future ballot measure to improve teacher salaries. Our focus must remain on the needs of students. I support: the bond measure to upgrade classrooms to the 21st century, connecting early education to K-12, improving social emotional learning, and ensuring all students are career and college ready. As Deputy Superintendent for the California Department of Education, I will use my 26 years of experience and knowledge of education programs to serve Davis.



Cynthia Pickett As the daughter of an immigrant mother and a father who attended college on the GI bill, I have a deep appreciation of the value of education. I attended public school in San Diego and then went on to graduate with honors from Stanford University and eventually earn a doctorate in social psychology from Ohio State University. I am currently an Associate Professor of Psychology at UC Davis.

I am the mother of two children (ages 12 and 9) and have been very active in the Davis schools. I have served as President of the Davis Montessori Education Foundation and the Montessori Parent Advisory Committee. I am a current member of the DJUSD Parcel Tax Oversight Committee and a past member of the Superintendent's Parent Advisory Committee.

In these roles, I have:

- Provided oversight to ensure that the community's tax dollars are spent appropriately
- Raised thousands of dollars each year to support classrooms
- Been an advocate for diversity and inclusion efforts in the district
- Served on hiring panels to recruit high quality teachers
- Worked to improve school climate

Although the school board works together to shape the direction of the school district, I am personally committed to the following: increasing teacher compensation and pay to ensure that we attract and retain excellent teachers; improving school climate; addressing school safety issues; and creating an educational environment where *all* students feel both supported and challenged.

If elected in November, I will lead with compassion, thoughtfulness, and integrity.



Joe DiNunzio Executive / Educator / Parent

There is no greater responsibility for the current generation than to provide for the education and well-being of the next one.

As a DJUSD Trustee I will commit to supporting:

- Fiscal Sustainability, managing the budget effectively and addressing fair teacher pay.
- Positive Transparency, promoting an open dialogue with the community.
- Inclusiveness, striving for excellence for all and addressing the achievement gap.
- Safety & Support, aiding students' social and emotional development.
- Innovation, embracing new approaches and strategic partners.

My experience as a business leader, educator, active community member, and parent of school-aged twins has prepared me well for a role on the Davis School Board, including:

- Thirty years as a corporate and startup executive, building, managing, and leading diverse organizations to identify opportunities and deliver successful enterprises;
- Ten years on the faculty of the UC Davis Graduate School of Management, training students to think critically, solve problems, and build successful teams; and
- Sixteen years in hands-on roles in the community, including President of the Davis Schools Foundation, Willett PTA and Site Council; Co-Chair of the Measure H Parcel Tax Citizen's Committee; and Vice Chair of the Davis Chamber of Commerce.

I will work tirelessly to serve our students, teachers and staff, and the community and ask for your vote. Please visit <Joe4schools.com> for additional information.



I am MELISSA MORENO running for the Yolo County Office of Education Trustee in Area 2. I am an educator and an educational leader who is honored that the Yolo Democratic Party endorsed me. I have spent the last 25 years teaching, performing educational research, and leading excellent educational programs for students. For the last ten years, I have been a dynamic community college Ethnic Studies department director and professor *working for students* in Yolo County. Civic engagement is at the heart of my teaching. After learning that the County Office of Education serves students in Head Start, Special Education, Alternative Education, Juvenile Hall, and the Detention Center and that there was a need for a strong voice to represent them, I stepped forward. My history and dedication, show my solidarity with students.

Women like me have not traditionally run in my area. I grew up with a disabled mother who earned a Job Corp certificate and a father who was a Bracero. I was raised in a California agricultural community, attending Head Start, English as a Second Language, and Migrant Education. With lots of support, I was the first in my family to graduate from high school, and eventually earn a Doctorate in Education. I believe every child deserves quality education and to be treated with respect. Early childhood, alternative, and special education need our support. I will bring my personal experience and professional training to collaborate with districts, educators, and families to strengthen education for students. <Moreno4ycboe.org>

David Murphy My career as an English teacher, principal, school superintendent, and university faculty member has prepared me well to serve on the Yolo County Board of Education. I am passionate about developing the full potential of all children and young adults. The Yolo County Board serves vulnerable children and youth:

- Head Start for low-income preschoolers,
- Education for those in Juvenile Hall,
- Day programs for youth expelled from local districts,
- Job training for youth without high school diplomas.

My skills and experience uniquely qualify me to serve on the Yolo County Board of Education. As Superintendent, El Dorado Union High School District, I led these achievements:

- 55% reduction in students needing remedial education;
- Ninth grade, district-wide remedial program that increased students' reading ability by 2-3 grade levels;
- 66% increase in students completing University of California admission requirements
- Job training programs.

As Superintendent, Davis Joint Unified School District, I led development of:

- Da Vinci High School instructional program;
- A public Montessori program;
- Advanced Placement science classes;
- Harper Junior High, Korematsu and Montgomery Elementary schools;
- Davis Senior High School Performing Arts Building;
- New science lab classrooms, grades 9-12;
- King High School, a continuation school facility.

I believe in fiscal integrity and transparency; all budgets were balanced.

Throughout 20 years as superintendent, we worked collaboratively and effectively with teachers as partners.

Education B.A., Santa Clara University: M.A., Stanford University

Helen Thomson, Lois Wolk, Ruth Asmundson, and Marlene Bell are among my many supporters. Please join them in voting for me.

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The Yolo Democratic Party officially launched its campaign HQ Office in Davis with a kickoff event that was attended by Rep. John Garamendi, Assemblymember Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, County Supervisor Don Saylor, Davis Mayor pro tem

Gloria Partida and thirty campaign volunteers.

Rep. Garamendi spoke of the opportunity the election provides to set the nation straight but further explained that Democrats are running on three main issues: Health Care, cleaning up campaign financing and making the economy work for wage earners.

Please know that you are making a difference: This working office is supported in part by your DDC dues. The HQ Office, located at 911 3rd St. will serve as the organizing center for volunteers making phone calls, walking precincts and performing other activities. Their work includes outreach to competitive congressional districts and senate races outside of very blue Davis, Yolo County and California. There is work for all to do. If you want to help out in the November election, stop by the HQ office.



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