

Platte Dems Host “Celebrating Change Inaugural Ball”

There was plenty of sparkle as the Platte County Democratic Central Committee hosted its first-ever Inaugural Ball at the Embassy Suites – KCI on the evening of January 20th.



Over 100 guests from Platte County and surrounding counties gathered for a cocktails reception, live coverage of the events in D.C. and a buffet dinner.

After a welcome by Russ Purvis, Platte County Democratic Party Chair, the video program was projected on a big screen.

The opening presentation, “The End of an Error,” was a farewell montage of some of former President Bush’s “not greatest moments.” It can be viewed online at http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2009/01/16/letterman-presents-final_n_158705.html

The “A New Hope” montage presented the story of Barack Obama’s history-making campaign. (See <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=duhraMOW-80&feature=related>)



The program concluded with a replay of the Inaugural Address of President Barack Obama.

“President Obama’s speech stressed responsibility and accountability,” said Purvis. “The Platte County Democratic Party is very pleased that we were responsible for so many different people coming together to have such a great time. However, we shouldn’t be held accountable for any backs that are thrown out during the dancing.”

Two hours of dancing and the awarding of door prizes followed.

Afterwards, Obama Volunteer Peter Osei-Kwame summed up the evening: “I am very satisfied that you brought all of us concerned Democrats together to celebrate through eating, dancing, and networking. I made new friends in Kansas City through this celebration. Thank you for inviting me. I will attend future events to help build my party.”



Pictures of the guests can be viewed at <http://communityfaces.kcstar.com>.