

# Al Gore is surprise choice of Scottsdale Dems

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SCOTTSDALE - Democrats in District 8, which covers most of Scottsdale and Fountain Hills, surprisingly chose non-candidate Al Gore as their favorite presidential nominee in a recent straw poll.

Of the announced candidates, John Edwards took the popularity prize with 29 percent of the vote on the second ballot.

More than 40 participants from Scottsdale, Fountain Hills and the Rio Verde foothills took the poll Saturday at the home of Margaret Hogan, chair of the District 8 Democrats.

About 35 people paid the \$20 fund-raiser fee required to receive a ballot.

Supporters gave a 5-minute pitch for most of the candidates. Gov. Bill Richardson, Sen. Christopher Dodd and former Sen. Mike Gravel had no advocates at the party.

A local contingent of Gore supporters showed up, complete with stickers, even though the former vice president has not announced the he intends to run for president.

When tallying the votes, the local party leaders considered both the "first choice" of voters and the "popularity" of candidates.

The popularity vote was important because it showed who voters would chose if Gore does not run.

Gore won the first choice by 51 percent, followed by Edwards with 17 percent, national front-runner Sen. Hillary Clinton with 14 percent, Sen. Barack Obama by 9 percent, Sen. Joe Biden by 6 percent and Rep. Dennis Kucinich by 3 percent.

Edwards won the popularity vote by 29 percent, followed by Gore with 26 percent, Obama with 19 percent, Clinton with 14 percent, Kucinich with 6 percent, Biden with 4 percent and Richardson with 2 percent.

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Are those all of the "Scottsdale Dems"? I'm not complaining, mind you.



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Sanity in Scottsdale - who would have thought it!

Here's the PERFECT SCENARIO:

1. Flip-flop-flop-flip Romney and No-Family-Values Giuliani knock each other out of contention for the Repug nomination.
2. O-BOMBA and Conniving Calculating Clinton knock each other out of contention for the Dem nomination.
3. The country then focuses on quality candidates, like Gore and Edwards, who are worthy of being elected president.

Unfortunately, the idiots are in charge of this asylum and this scenario has as much chance of happening as DickNBush obeying the Constitution and rule of law.

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