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# SpokaneGOP

## Chairman's Chat

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*This Issue: Contributors' choice.*

*Next Issue: Equal Justice - All people have a right to equal treatment under the law. We support the enforcement of the original Bill of Rights as written and intended by the Founders.*



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### STATEMENT AND PRESS RELEASE CONCERNING THE CONVICTION OF PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP

Yesterday, May 30, 2024, in the State of New York, President Donald J. Trump was convicted of 34 felony counts.

The Spokane County Republican Party condemns in the strongest terms this blatantly political and prejudiced trial and conviction of President Donald J. Trump. We believe this decision is a gross miscarriage of justice and a complete disregard for the principles of our Constitution, our Laws, American fairness and due process. This is a sad day for America.

The conduct of the trial against President Trump was severely biased, from the contrived charges, the judge, the prosecutors, the gag order, and the government witnesses. The jury questionnaire questioned whether the jurors were or potentially were supporters of President Trump, yet questions were not asked relative to support for Joe Biden, against whom President Trump is the Republican Candidate in the coming November Presidential election and who leads in many polls over Joe Biden. Finally, the defense lawyers for President Trump, as well as his witnesses in this trial, were obstructed at seemingly every turn from being able to defend President Trump according to his rights guaranteed to him under our Constitution.

President Donald J. Trump has been a steadfast advocate for American values and a champion for the American people. Throughout his presidency, he worked tirelessly to strengthen our country and our economy, secure our borders, and uphold our constitutional rights. His unwavering commitment to putting America first has earned him the respect and admiration of millions of Americans.

The charges brought against President Trump are unfounded and politically motivated. It is clear that this verdict is the result of a partisan witch hunt aimed not just at tarnishing his legacy, but blatantly undermining the will of the American people, who to this day support him by the millions, over the Democrat candidate and current President Joe Biden.

As members of the Spokane County Republican Party, we stood firmly behind President Trump, and even more so now, stand with him in his efforts to defend himself against these baseless accusations, to right this tragedy of Justice, and to become the 47<sup>th</sup> President of this great Country.

We call on all citizens and residents of Spokane County, Washington State, and all of America to join us in denouncing this miscarriage of justice and standing up for the principles of fairness, integrity, and due process that are the foundation of our legal system. May God bless us all and this Country we love.

#### WSRP CHAIR JIM WALSH:

*"The main measure of success here is simple: At the precinct caucuses, get good people elected as delegates to the county conventions. But there are other goals, too. Attract new people to WAGOP. Give them a forum. Encourage new and existing activists about WAGOP policies and candidates. Energize them to stay engaged through November. And beyond."*

**More from  
Chair Jim  
Walsh:**

<https://www.facebook.com/WAGOP>

# Thou Doth Protect Too Much

By Juli Skinner

There's nowhere we haven't gone in blaming each other for being profoundly blind to one's own political motivations. Without batting an eye, people on one side of the political spectrum call the other side the most offensive terms. We're numb to it. We continue to call each other evil [serpent] before we look at ourselves to fix our own inadequacies... [Eminem]. If you delight in the misery of one who is not profoundly flawed, **you** just may be flawed. I wonder if people like Marshall, Adele, DeNiro, Swift, Whoopi, [Judge] Merchan and sadly, hundreds of thousands with big platforms, are so ignorantly and passionately in hate with President Trump that truth doesn't matter or under hypothesis, they know the sickness of the Left and push it aside to hide their own depravity. I don't measure people by their freedom of thought, I measure them by their ability to be exclusively honest.

There **IS** a Right, and a Wrong side. Michael Douglas, Tom Hanks, Julia Roberts: Big disappointments. Once thought of as smart and respectable, now I think, just stick to what you're best at - pretending to be someone else. If you cannot conduct an inward self-assessment, it's likely you fear being forced to reconcile your own immorality. Do you have a dark proclivity? Who better to gravitate to than a side that condones and celebrates the darkness? Why do you think Democrats circle the wagon [when it benefits them]? Know your place, back the party of perversions and you will be provided with the cover or permission to act on your own perversions. **NO ONE** in civil society; **NO ONE** in their right mind celebrates "minor attracted individuals"; rape of Israeli women hostages; termination of a child up until birth. Neither party can claim complete depravity or virtue but it's evident that the unprecedented deterioration of our country lands at the feet of Democrat policy. They feed on the weak, opening themselves up to fringe ideas in exchange for votes – hence – power at all cost. The collateral damage are the innocents. Their play book is to change America, exploiting era specific potential downtrodden voters. *Case in point: Democrats were NEVER the party of Black Americans UNTIL they figured out how to cultivate the vote.* They play for keeps. They project, misinform and deflect. They HAVE infiltrated almost every American institution.

For the record, we're going to close the rabbit hole now: There is no distinction between Traditional and

Radical Democrat; both deserve equal attention. The former has embraced destructive Radical doctrine and antisocial revolt, remaining complacent. Republicans' worst policies? Tax breaks for the wealthy? *The last poor employer you worked for was...?* Climate deniers? *Manmade Climate Change is false or the biggest advocates would ditch their private jets.* Requiring proper identification for elections? *Why do illegals get to flood the electorate with votes?* If those are the worst of our policies, I'll be a Republican all the live long day!

Can any one of us cast the first stone? Don't know. What I do know is many of us cannot afford food for our families; can barely keep the power on. I know that it is disgusting for a grown man, wearing a cloth, to shake his private parts in front of little girls and boys at a gay pride parade. I know that it's hurtful to excuse students from their high school and our Veterans from their homes indefinitely so as to convert buildings into illegal migrant intake centers. I know that an unborn child has a right to live and encouraging a minor child to remove a [private] body part without parental knowledge is evil. And I know it's dangerous to invite people into our country without vetting. All courtesy of Democrat rule. It is unfathomable that anyone could support these policies unless of course, they are part of the dark subculture promoting them.

The goalpost of immorality keeps moving. What was unacceptable twenty years ago is acceptable now and we are expected to tolerate and accept it! **The amoral don't need acceptance OR tolerance! THEY NEED TRUTH!**

More frightening? They are coaxed out of the shadows to taint society and make depravity normal. Are you Jewish? Doubt where we're headed - *Sodom and Gomorrah ring a bell?* Are you Christian? The Book of Mathew renews that warning. Secular? It's bigger than you. Radicals, laugh all you want at how easy it is to sell your soul but **you will be left behind.** I fear people like "Beaker" (Morning Joe) cannot be saved, but **YOU** can. There's a catch however. Neither party can save you. Watch inspirational testimony from such an unlikely subject, Russell Brand. His road may be hard to hold in the future and some doubt his words but with apparent raw honesty and genuine renewal he celebrates his enlightened transformation through baptism. Shed your anger, your guilt, your loneliness and submit. It is liberating. <https://relevantmagazine.com/culture/russell-brand-got-baptized/>

**GOD** loves the sinner; hates the sin.

**THANK YOU DEMOCRATS FOR THE CONVICTION!**  
**!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

*Remember 1998 and the Republican's impeachment of President Clinton? We LOST 5 seats in Congress at Mid-Terms immediately following and President Clinton was re-elected because the People don't like being pulled into political turmoil by an overstepping unbalanced governing body. We want a properly acting justice system. The brilliant architect employed to take President Trump down is a master of process but an idiot of human nature. We are sovereign. This will backfire. Merchan will not be the historic hero he'd hoped for. He will be the villain and Trump will be the martyr. History will indeed judge us.*



# The Constitutional Corner

By Lori Burns

## We Are the Enemy

We have found the enemy...and it is us. In light of current events, you will no doubt be surprised by that. Here is why. We have lost control of the government through our own passivity, in-fighting amongst conservative ranks, apathy and unrealistic expectations. I will address them individually.

Turnout in primaries (and even voter registration) amongst conservatives, Republicans and Christians is abysmally low. Turning out solely for Presidential elections is inexcusable. That has allowed the radical left to take over school boards, city councils and prosecutors' offices. They are doing what they do and we have allowed it.

I admire exactly one thing about the Democrats: they are unified. Granted, they are also mind numbed automatons and we are not. We should be thinkers, we should be independent thinkers, we should be critical thinkers. But far too often, when we don't get our own way, we tend to take our ball and go home. Far too often I have seen more energy exerted on internal party warfare than against our true enemy: the communist destruction of our nation. Once we have found a candidate or a platform or whatever it may be, we need to unite and focus our efforts. That does not mean we accept mediocrity and bad representation, it means we stay engaged, monitor our representatives and make changes during elections as needed. If we are so small that we cannot set our egos aside for the greater good, we will never win in Washington or anyplace else. We must stand on principle of course, but I would be ecstatic to see

our side for once fight the left with the vigor we reserve for people within our own county.

We have enough votes to win in Washington. But we have become apathetic. We sit back and complain endlessly without working to get out the vote. Is the system broken? Yup. Are we fighting an uphill battle? Yup. But I can guarantee with absolute certainty that giving up will provide exactly zero victories in our future.

Finally, I have news for all of us: Jesus is not running for office. He would never debase himself to that level. Therefore, our only option is to vote for the flawed human beings (like all of us) who are willing to step into the ring...or the swamp. We are adept at killing the good in the name of the perfect. This must stop. When our elected representatives do not meet standard then we should put them on notice that we are watching. Every Republican who does not represent our conservative principles in every office needs to be replaced. We need to recruit better candidates. We may need to stick out our own necks and be the one to run for office instead of expecting everyone else to do it.

Yes, the Democrat communists are pure evil. But we have allowed them to take over the justice system, the state department, the military and all the local offices. This has led to Trump's conviction, the horror shows in our schools and universities, out-of-control crime and an uncontrollable bureaucracy. When we determine to unite and fight, we will win...but not until. The Constitution can only be sustained by those who understand it. It is well past time for us to stand and do so.

## WAKE UP SPOKANE COUNTY

### PRECINCT COMMITTEE OFFICERS (PCOs)

Primary Election held on August 6, 2024. Two-year terms begin on December 1.

[Spokane County Republicans](#)

509-838-6162 ext. 802.

Find your Precinct number: Submit your name and birthday – click registration link. Start here:

<https://voter.votewa.gov/>

PCOs are important connections between voter and candidate. Do you have a PCO?

<https://wsrp.org/assets/uploads/2022/05/2022-PCO-Manual.pdf>

[2-PCO-Manual.pdf](#)

**Do you have a talent to share? What motivates you? Join us and make a difference. Consider volunteering. Our volunteers are appreciated.**

### REPUBLICANS/PCOs OF THE MONTH

March, 2024:

**Ben Lund**

February, 2024:

**Debbie Hart**

January, 2024:

**John Christina**

[Nominate a PCO or Republican of the Month](#)

## Primary - August 6<sup>th</sup> 2024

**2024 Washington Gubernatorial Election**

**\*General - November 5 2024.**

### THE HISTORY of RED and BLUE

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/wen-republicans-were-blue-and-democrats-were-red-104176297/>

**It's time to rebrand the Republican Party with color. We are not Communists. I call for the acquisition of BOTH colors and to incorporate into all advertisement!**

WHY **VOTE?** BECAUSE **THEY DO!**





## PCO's - What's YOUR "why?"

By Morna Nelson Gilbert

Why be a PCO? There's a cost in time, energy, resources. That's 'volunteering'! 'PCO is the MOST IMPORTANT elected position in WA!' Right? Is that your "why?"

In my PCO experience the usual thoughts permeate: you're not good enough; can you contact 1200 households; "no response again...." - what a waste; donate \$\$ to something already costing me; the emails, how to keep up with the emails... Wouldn't "I quit" appear logical?

TRUTH wins. Yes, the above may be true. But the better picture is a BIGGER TRUTH. For me, growing up was with a dad who had lived through 3.5 years as a P.O.W. in a Japanese prison. He'd tell the stories at dinner. He'd run outside to see the plane overhead. His physical ailments from the severe beatings were a constant challenge and eventually took him to Heaven. Nightmares cycled too often. Veteran's Day was the worst – after speaking at an event. Some moments are written in indelible ink. Then there was our small-town parade beginning with the raising of the U.S. flag. Baseball games starting with the Star-Spangled Banner. Fourth of July ceremonies' fireworks as "God Bless America" played. The Pledge of Allegiance on our wall. I would look at dad. Proudly standing tall, hand over his heart, tears rolling down his cheeks. Some moments are written in indelible ink.

Something stirs our souls. Sacrifice. Dedication. Loyalty. Honor. Respect. Service. That stirring motivates us to see what has gone on before us. A great cloud of witnesses –setting the standard for us to follow. My 'why'? Make dad proud.

Serving as PCO is nothing like the battlefield. Yet, in our world perhaps the psychological, mental, emotional, spiritual battle is the raging war. Sacrifice. Dedication. Loyalty. Honor. Respect. Service. Make your legacy.... proud.

*Pictured above: John V Nelson and Morna Nelson Gilbert*

## Ensign John

He was the beloved son of an immigrant father. Like many of the second generation, eager to show gratitude to the country that had been so good to his family, perhaps eager for adventure, he sought out an appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy after graduating from Gonzaga. After commissioning, the young ensign found himself involved in a battle that didn't belong to him, in a foreign nation where America's interests were murky but where his duty was clear. He came to the defense of a wounded comrade without regard for the danger to himself. We honor men and women for such actions. The setting could have been Afghanistan, Iraq, Yugoslavia, Vietnam. For Ensign John Monaghan, it was a civil war in Samoa. His father, James Monaghan, arrived in New York from Ireland in 1856. He was 16, an economic migrant from famine and the passage of the repressive "peace preservation act" imposed by the British government. Or perhaps he was also young man eager for adventure. The elder Monaghan built a variety of entrepreneurial ventures in the area. For James, the loss of his son in a conflict between the superpower he'd fled and the emerging superpower of his adopted country must have been heartbreaking.

Now some would dismiss the John Monaghan statue as a story about a rich kid with a problematic plaque. Thousands of American families have found themselves mourning a beloved son or daughter under similar circumstances over the past century. Emily Jacobs is the interpretive program manager with Washington State Parks. "Interpretive signage needs to connect history with our lives today," Jacobs said. "There's many sides to every story, we're always adding new layers of understanding." The Monaghan statue provides an opportunity to add another layer to the story of the sacrifices of our U.S. military and their families, and to Samoan history.

*In remembrance of all those who have given their lives for their country, and in preparation for the coming debate over the familiar statue of Ensign John Monaghan. An excerpt from a column first published July 6, 2023 in The Spokesman-Review. Read the full column at <https://www.spokesman.com/stories/2023/jul/06/sue-lani-madsen-this-immigrants-story-has-many-lay/> Excerpted here by permission of the author, Sue Lani Madsen. Follow at <https://suelanimadsen.substack.com/>:*



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Help us reach our goal to increase Republican voter turnout in each precinct by 20%. Fund this campaign by wearing this t-shirt.

**HAPPY 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY!!!**  
*Our Independence Day!*

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**Republican Candidates 2024:** Current State and County GOP endorsements at [The Spokane GOP](#) and more after June 20 when County PCOs meet for Candidates Committee Endorsing Assembly. For more information on candidates for some state, county commissioner, judicial and 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> Legislative District races at [Become a Candidate \(spokanegop.com\)](#). You can also access the Questionnaires they completed.

On June 4, North Central High School students held a debate for Washington's 5th Congressional District candidates (to replace Cathy McMorris Rodgers). Republicans Jonathan Bingle, Jacquelin Maycumber, Brian Dinsel, Michael Baumgartner and Rene' Holaday were in attendance along with four Democrats. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WomdjRfKsQ>.

Note: Glitch with one microphone up to (01:02:40). Find specifically asked questions on our Spokane County Republican Party Facebook; posted on June 9 and GOP interviews with four of the 5th Congressional District Republican candidates, [2024 Congressional District 5 Candidate Interviews - YouTube](#).

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<https://www.spokanegop.com/calendar>

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**July 15 - 18**  
**2024**  
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**Ponderosa Republican Women's "Filing Fling"** held on June 11th was a huge success. With almost 130 attendees, including 18 Republican candidates running for governor, congress, state and county positions, it was extremely informative! All candidates had 4 minutes to deliver their campaign speech and each one had a unique story to share about themselves personally, their past experience and why they are the best person qualified for the position.

On **Tuesday, July 9**, all are invited to PRW's 4th Annual Garden Party fundraiser at CenterPlace in Spokane Valley. Our featured speaker is Linnea McCord, JD, adjunct professor of law of Pepperdine University. As an author and frequent speaker, she should deliver an amazing program that will inspire all guests. Tickets can be purchased on our website at [ponderosarepublicanwomen.com](http://ponderosarepublicanwomen.com). Early bird pricing is available until June 20<sup>th</sup>.

Jan Grayhek, PRW President

<http://www.PonderosaRepublicanWomen.com>

**LEGISLATIVE UPDATES IN WASHINGTON:** Despite ACLU of Washington, Legal Voice and QLaw, court challenges, I-2081 parental notification rights was allowed to take effect. <https://www.seattletimes.com/seattle-news/politics/lawsuit-challenges-parents-bill-of-rights-passed-by-wa-legislature/>. The lawsuit court date is June 21. Stay tuned.

NOVEMBER ballot: **Vote YES! Pay less! I-2117** (repeal of the egregious cap-and trade scheme). **I-2124** (opt-out of Washington's long-term care retirement program). **I-2109** (repeal of the capital gains tax). Another opportunity to qualify one more initiative for the ballot: **I-2066**, (ability to continue to use natural gas in cooking, heating etc.). Please help gather signatures. Visit [Lets Go Washington](#), [CAPR \(Citizens Alliance for Property Rights\)](#), [WSRP Chair, Jim Walsh](#).

"TO FLORIDE or not to FLORIDE OUR CHILDREN". UPDATE: NO UPDATE!

Network, [fluoridealert.org](http://fluoridealert.org) and <https://fluoridealert.org/news/opinion-as-fluoride-trial-wraps-up-epa-defends-its-inaction/> or visit [www.safewaterspokane.org](http://www.safewaterspokane.org). Information on Facebook Spokane Against Fluoride. Gina McKenzie, Safe Water Spokane Advisor

Concerned Taxpayers of WA: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/16Av7N4u93fhgQ47hKJ7ihmzjKqIqstpA/view>

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<https://houserepublicans.wa.gov/2021/02/01/how-you-can-be-involved-in-the-legislative-process/>

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