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# **SpokaneGOP**

## Chairman's Chat

Chairwoman, M.J. Bolt, SCRCC Chair/CEO chair@spokanegop.com **<u>This Issue:</u>** 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.

<u>Next Issue:</u> Jobs, Economy and Currency - We support balanced budgets, reduced regulations, limited taxation and Free Market, allowing growth to the individual and to the economy as a whole.



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## WHY WE ENDORSE PRE-PRIMARY AND WHY YOU SHOULD VOTE THIS AUGUST!

On December 10th, 2022, when I first became Vice-Chair, we were given a clear mandate from the PCOs: they wanted a stronger voice in the party. Our leadership model is all about serving the PCOs, who are elected by the citizens they represent. Since then we've been busting our butts to create systems that puts the PCOs voice front and center. Enter our new Candidate Vetting system starting in 2023, designed to find the best candidates who align with our Vision of Defending Faith, Family, and Freedom, and the Spokane County Republican Party Platform.

By endorsing candidates before the Primary, we're giving them the best chance to make it to the General Election, where the citizens of our county can vote for them. It's like handing our candidates a VIP pass to the main event, cutting through the usual red tape and bureaucracy. We're not just endorsing candidates; we're empowering them to be the champions our county needs! Otherwise, it becomes a money game where special interests can manipulate the system. We've all heard the saying about insanity: doing the same thing and expecting different results. We want a better Washington State for our future, and that's why we're making a change!

Many overlook the primary, not realizing just how crucial it is in our election cycle. Voting in the Primary Election is where you get to choose your candidate. In the General Election, you're left voting for someone others have chosen for you—the lesser of two evils, if you will. Why vote in the August Primary? Because it's your chance to be the superhero, not just another face in the crowd! Remember, voting in the Primary is like being the director of your own blockbuster movie, where you get to choose the star. In the General, you're just a spectator, watching the movie play out with actors chosen for you. So, grab the director's chair and vote in the Primary, where you get to choose your candidate and make sure your voice resonates powerfully.

We want to ensure you continue to have your constitutional freedoms to make choices in the future based on your family, your faith, and your freedoms. Voting in the Primary is the key to safeguarding these liberties! So, if you want to be part of the solution, vote in the Primary and make your voice heard!

### WSRP NEWS:

https://wsrp.org/news/, with comments from Jim Walsh, GOP Chair: Periodically check this site for current information. Articles now include the following:

1. <u>WAGOP-endorsed</u> <u>candidates focus on</u> <u>winning as the primary</u> <u>election nears</u>

2. <u>WAGOP</u> <u>Enthusiastically Adopts</u> <u>2024 Platform</u>

3. <u>WAGOP Response to</u> <u>the Major SCOTUS Ruling</u> <u>in the Grants Pass</u> <u>Case</u> which says that "states and local governments can take effective action on homelessness."

4. <u>WAGOP Chairman's</u> <u>statement on allegations</u> <u>involving Semi Bird -</u> Jim Walsh emphasized that Semi Bird is our endorsed candidate and that is not going to change.

More from WSRP CHAIR JIM WALSH <u>https://www.facebook.com/</u> WAGOP

Blessings to all!

## Lady Justice: Eyes Wide Open. By Juli Skinner

*Come on. Y'all knew this would be about Trump.* 

How extraordinary it is for an apparatus of the opposing party to bring such shameful actions against a former president, or any regular citizen for that matter. It is unprecedented. It crosses a line. And everyone knows it. But the Left keeps on trucking along. They capitalize on the sliver of deranged hatred people might have and happily channel it toward President Trump and his supporters. It shouldn't come as a shock that most Democrats support what is happening and most Republicans do not. What's shocking is that there are some of our own who have fallen victim to **Trump Derangement Syndrome (TDS)** phenomenon as well. It's a real thing and at this point, we should all be concerned with the mental health of these unfortunate souls.

#### https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trump\_derangeme nt\_syndrome

It's truly remarkable what's happening right now. What's the Trump threat anyway? Those who oppose a second [third in unofficial absentia] Trump term (including Hollywood elites) fear him but not how you might think. Powerhungry elitists (politicians) have built an empire on the backs of those who put them in office; they fear exposure and demotion. Low information emotional [voters] wholeheartedly believe (or want to believe) every word the elitist and complicit media spues out about "Orange man bad". And the turncoats? Well, they operate purely on personal vendettas.

How are some of these people so DIE HARD DUMB? (*Asking for a friend*).

It is true. We are fallible by nature. The logical part of our human brain is easily interrupted by emotion and the Left gambles on a tendency to form negative preconceived emotional opinions about President Trump. He drives Anti-Trumpers and Never-Trumpers insane. They cannot even look past the name to see the good that can come with him. It's no more evident than in the effortless persuasion of some of our countrymen to convict; *exactly why we require Justice to be Blind.* But I refuse to believe that we have that many narcissists and antisocial individuals in our society.

Imagine your entire existence revolving around lies, hatred and anger. It becomes a primal manifestation and it's difficult to drag yourself out of that state. But regardless of anyone's little tantrum or neurosis, the "Get Trump" fiasco distracts from our mission: "Make America Great Again". You don't have to be a MAGA Republican to want law and order, lower gas and food prices, higher wages and less taxes. You just have to open your eyes. The good news is that a majority of us still exercise pragmatic judgement. We are pushing back against the insanity and incitive information fed by mainstream word and thought. Notice as we keep our foot on the gas, the Left backpedals on their fabricated ideology? They will be their undoing.

If you still hate the guy (but not the policy), look at it this way: He is merely an unlikely deliverer. God is using Trump to turn the country back to Him, to worship <u>Him</u>. Trump is imperfect but he is what we have at the moment. Now a sober warning - It would be amusing if it wasn't so scary: If you thought the partisan lawfare was bad, it can get even worse. The Communist Democrat will not go down without a fight. They will do more damage before they are defeated. They are desperate to stay in power and desperate people do desperate things. Our 45<sup>th</sup>/47<sup>th</sup> president needs our prayers for his safety.

### GOD

keep our leaders (and people) who bring forth Your message, safe. Give wisdom and strength to our leaders' watchers who are employed to protect them.

### Republican Candidates 2024:

Find current State and County GOP endorsements at <u>The</u> <u>Spokane GOP.</u>

About 100 PCOs met on June 20 for the Candidates Committee Endorsing Assembly to finish Primary endorsements and recommendations. Endorsements require a 50% +1 vote then approval by the Spokane County GOP board. Find 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 available at <u>Become a Candidate</u> (<u>spokanegop.com</u>). And also access the completed questionnaires.

Another opportunity to hear Brian Dansel, WSRP and Spokane GOP endorsed candidate for U.S. Congress, 5th District and the 5 other Republican candidates is on Monday, July 15 at 6:00 pm at Rockwood South Hill Community Center, 2903 E 25th Ave, Spokane, WA 99223. Event is sponsored by RSC, an independent political organization. More information on this event:

### https://www.facebook.com/Rep ublicansofSpokane

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 Dansel, Michael Baumgartner and Rene' Holaday were in attendance along with four Democrats.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v =WomdjJrFKsQ.

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. In addition, GOP interviews with four of the 5th Congressional District Republican candidates are also available: <u>2024 Congressional</u> <u>District 5 Candidate Interviews -</u> YouTube.



## The Constitutional Corner

By Lori Burns

**Equal Justice** 

One of the main drivers of the American Revolution was the oppression created by living under monarchic rule. In particular, when King George decided to stop treating the colonists as the British citizens they were, with guaranteed rights, they decided to throw off the weighty yoke. Every principle in our Constitution was either a reaction to this period of oppression, the result of the Founders detailed study of government or both. As some of us know, they settled on a new form of government—a democratic republic. An essential principle behind this choice was their adamant desire to have all citizens be treated equally under the law. Therefore, they rejected every other form of government in existence which included dictatorships, monarchies and democracies—among others. It is obvious as to why equality under the law is impossible when all the power is vested in one person. It is not as obvious in regards to democracies. To put it simply, democracy is majority rulenothing more nothing less. Every single law would be voted on and decided by a simple majority. Two of the biggest problems emerging in a pure democracy is that the minority has no power, ever. They are overruled by the majority every time. Also, the President would by elected solely by popular vote, leaving smaller and less populous states powerless to affect that outcome. Thus the vital importance of the Electoral College. The Founders were consciously and intensely opposed to pure democracy. Instead, they

gave us 50 democracies (eventually), where our state leaders are elected by popular vote and our representatives are sent to, yes, represent us in Washington DC. All of these things were intended to provide us with equal protection under the law. As now constituted, each citizen has one vote (or at least that's what supposed to happen). The dead and non-citizens are not supposed to vote. I don't think the Founders realized that they had to specify that only citizens should have the sacred and vital right to vote—they couldn't imagine anyone being that dumb. But here we are. The entire purpose of establishing this Union of States, governed by a Constitution which the people ratified is to make of us a nation of laws, not men. Every one of us should be treated exactly the same when a law is broken. We have the right to be presented with our accusation, we are guaranteed the presumption of innocence and we have the right to a jury of our peers. "Blind" justice is imperative if we are to survive as a nation. But clearly, we are abandoning that high standard. Hunter Biden was given those rights against the Feds every effort to avoid prosecuting him, while Donald Trump's rights have been eviscerated. This dual justice system must end...yesterday. Our hypervigilance is required when it comes to electing prosecutors and attorneys general and hold them to the Founder's standard. We must also be well-versed in our rights and the Constitution so that we may fight to maintain them.

### WAKE UP SPOKANE COUNTY

#### PRECINCT COMMITTEE OFFICERS (PCOs)

PCOs will be elected in the Primary Election held on August 6, 2024. Two-year terms begin on December 1. Does your precinct have a contested Republican race? https://voter.votewa.gov/CandidateList.aspx?e=88 8&c=32

Only races with two or more candidates in the same party are on the ballot.

Questions: <u>Spokane County Republicans</u> 509-838-6162 ext. 802.

Find your Precinct number: Submit your name and birthday – click registration link. Start here: <u>https://voter.votewa.gov/</u>

PCOs are important connections between voter and candidate. Find PCO Manual here:

nttps://wsrp.org/assets/uploads/2022/05/202 2-PCO-Manual.pdf

> Do you have a PCO? Follow the link https://spokanegop.com/leadership

then click on your district and find your precinct to find out. No PCO? Consider volunteering today for a term lasting through November 30.

Do you have a talent to share? What motivates you? Join us and make a difference. <u>Consider</u> <u>volunteering. https://spokanegop.com/become-a-</u> <u>volunteer</u>

Our volunteers are appreciated.

**REBUBLICANS/PCOs OF THE MONTH** 

### Nominate your PCO or Republican here:

Nominate a PCO or Republican of the Month

Primary - August 6<sup>th</sup> 2024 2024 2024 Washington Gubernatorial Election \*General - November 5 2024. TOO BIG TO RIG. WHY VOTE? BECAUSE

<u>THEY</u> DO!

Background: Justice Not Jails PAC was formed by a progressive coalition opposed to Proposition 1 in 2023. An excerpt from a column first published October 26, 2023 in The Spokesman-Review:

### Shining a light on money in politics

According to current reports filed with the Public Disclosure Commission, Jobs for Justice raised \$34,250 from individuals and businesses in support of Spokane County Measure 1. Justice Not Jails raised \$520,394 (cash and in-kind donations) to oppose it, with reports showing no cash donations from business or individuals . . . [including] \$240,500 from the Empire Health Community Advocacy Fund plus \$240,500 from the Seattle-based Inatai Foundation.

As 501(c)(4) nonprofits their sources of funding are subject to disclosure under RCW 42.17A.207, also known as the DISCLOSE Act, when they make donations exceeding \$35,000 to any one campaign. (*Note: The PDC determined after a complaint was filed that neither nonprofit is required to file documentation, leaving responsible voters in the dark.*)

In 2018 Sen. Andy Billig, D-Spokane, championed the campaign finance transparency bill following a fight over campaign funding opposing a statewide initiative requiring labeling of genetically modified foods. The Grocery Manufacturers Association funneled corporate funding through a nonprofit to provide anonymity for its donors.

Billig described it as a victory for citizens across the political spectrum in his statement issued after passage of the bill, saying "The bipartisan Senate vote tonight on the DISCLOSE Act takes us one step closer to shining a light on dark money in Washington state elections. Campaign transparency increases accountability, reduces the opportunity for corruption and strengthens our democracy."

Spokane County Treasurer Michael Baumgartner – then a state senator – also voted in support, along with six other Republicans.

Attorney General Bob Ferguson pursued the Grocery Manufacturers Association over campaign finance violations for eight years. He released a statement after settlement was reached in 2022. "My office will be relentless ensuring dark money special interests that intentionally violate our campaign finance laws will be held accountable – even if it takes a decade."

One wonders if the new attorney general will be as relentless as the old, and evenhanded in application of the campaign finance laws as the Washington Legislature intended. Transparency in campaign finance is a truly bipartisan issue.

Read the full column at <a href="https://bit.ly/3Wgt0XT">https://bit.ly/3Wgt0XT</a> Excerpted here by permission of the author, Sue Lani Madsen. Follow at <a href="https://suelanimadsen.substack.com/">https://suelanimadsen.substack.com/</a> Madsen served on the founding board of the Empire Health Foundation and is a past board chairman.

This election cycle is not Republican vs. Democrat. It is Good vs. Evil. <u>The Democrat is not inherently</u> <u>evil</u>. The Democrat has been corrupted by Communistic unGodly lies and deception and promises of supremacy over God; <u>that is evil</u>. If candidate Biden is replaced, he will simply be replaced with another radical. VOTE against the Democrat-Communist platform. Reintroduce God to your Democrat friend. We have nearly totally pushed White Supremacy back into the shadows; we must now eradicate the Communist.



*THE online Spokane GOP Merch Store* <u>https://bsiapparel.chipply.com/ng/store-closed.html?eventid=311594</u>,

is temporarily closed while previous orders are processed. Check back soon. It will reopen. You can see examples of the merchandise on our GOP home page.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**Ponderosa Republican Women:** Ponderosa Republican Women held their 4th Annual Garden Party Fundraiser on Tuesday, July 9. Featured speaker, Linnea McCord, JD, delivered an insightful and powerful wake up to her audience. History is repeating itself...for the last 100 years, we have experienced wars, financial collapse and infiltration of our government. We are on the precipice of another 1929 financial crisis and it's being controlled by elites in our country and around the world. Black Rock and Vanguard are controlling pension funds of the middle-class working people who have made our country what it is today. It's not their money - it's ours. We need to be vigilant and likely to experience much pain before the majority wakes up and sees what's happening to our nation. We have the tools to evoke change - it's up to us! Our MSM has "lulled" us to sleep with propaganda and lies. We need to STOP watching and listening to what they are saying. Ask questions and challenge what we are being told...use common sense and dig deep when something doesn't sound right or seem logical. Our constitution is our power and it's up to us and our elected officials to use this document to regain our sovereignty. Republicans need to learn to use their power and not fear it!

Jan Grayhek, PRW President



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WASHINGTON LEGISLATIVE UPDATES: As previously stated, the ACLU of Washington, Legal Voice and QLaw have challenged the parental rights law passed by the legislature as a result of I-2081. While the law was allowed to take effect, on June 21 King County Superior Court Judge Michael Scott unfortunately paused part of the law as the lawsuit continues. <u>https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/us/parts-of-washington-state-parental-rightslaw-criticized-as-a-forced-outing-placed-on-hold/ar-BB1oG9ro?ocid=BingNewsSerp</u>.

Here is a poll from May that provides information on the 3 ballot measures. <u>https://crosscut.com/sites/default/files/uploads/2024/05/combined-may-24-election-poll\_1.pdf</u>.

Now the good news! Signatures need to be verified for I-2066 (stop natural gas ban for cooking/heating) but it appears that there are enough for November's ballot along with I-2117 (repeal - egregious cap-and trade scheme), I-2124 (opt-out of Washington's long-term care retirement program) and I-2109 (repeal - capital gains tax). Vote YES! Pay less!

TO FLORIDE or not to FLORIDE OUR CHILDREN". UPDATE: STILL no decision by U. S. District Court Judge Edward Chen in San Francisco after four months. Key dates and information about the fluoride case that began in 2016: <u>https://fluoridealert.org/key-topics/tsca-fluoride-lawsuit/#judgement</u>. *Network, fluoridealert.org and* <u>https://fluoridealert.org/news/opinion-as-fluoride-trial-wraps-up-epa-defends-its-inaction/</u> or visit <u>www.safewaterspokane.org</u>. Information on Facebook Spokane Against Fluoride. Gina McKenzie, Safe Water Spokane Advisor

Visit <u>Lets Go Washington</u>, <u>CAPR</u> (Citizens Alliance for Property Rights), <u>WSRP Chair, Jim Walsh</u>.

### LEGISLATIVE WATCH

WSRP Olympia Watch. Your legislators are out of session but you can still research. <u>https://wsrp.org/olympia-watch/</u> <u>https://app.leg.wa.gov/billinfo/</u>

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



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