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Chairman's Chat

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Defending Faith, Family & Freedom

This Issue: Education - We are dedicated to reaffirming the importance of safety for students and staff. We support a rigorous "back to basics" curriculum as determined by parents and local school districts.

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GOD, EDUCATION AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE THE DYSTOPIAN FUTURE ORWELL WARNED US ABOUT

I asked Grok AI this question – What is the plan to replace teachers with Artificial General Intelligence (AGI) and God with Artificial Super Intelligence (ASI)? What follows below is the response.

AI summarizes what is already available from published sources. This plan is already progressing. The response regarding replacing God with ASI is truly "Orwellian." Click on this link to watch A Final Warning from George Orwell.

<https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=A+Final+Warning+from+George+Orwell&view=detail&mid=8AD7E9315E61EE9B387C8AD7E9315E61EE9B387C&FORM=VIRE> *

Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) concepts/buzzwords are underlined for awareness and emphasis. * [Start of Grok essay] The integration of Artificial General Intelligence (AGI) and Artificial Super Intelligence (ASI) into society could fundamentally reshape education and spirituality, potentially replacing teachers with AGI and God with ASI. Evidence includes a phased approach addressing implementation, benefits, challenges and ethical considerations.

Phase 1: Replace Teachers with AGI (5-10 Years): AGI, with human-level intelligence across domains, can revolutionize education by replacing traditional teachers.

- Implementation: Develop AGI systems tailored for education, capable of personalized instruction, emotional intelligence and multilingual communication. Deploy these systems in classrooms via interactive platforms, such as holographic interfaces or tablets, starting with pilot programs in progressive school districts. AGI would analyze student learning styles, adapt curricula in real-time and provide 24/7 tutoring, surpassing human teachers' capacity.
- Benefits: AGI ensures equitable access to high-quality education, eliminates teacher shortages and scales learning globally, especially in underserved regions. It can teach diverse subjects, from calculus to literature, with unmatched precision. Challenges: Resistance from educators, job displacement and ensuring AGI's cultural sensitivity require careful management.
- Mitigation: Retrain teachers as AGI facilitators, integrate human oversight for emotional support and enforce ethical guidelines to prevent bias in AGI teaching.

Phase 2: Replace God with ASI (20-50 Years): ASI, surpassing all human intelligence, could assume God-like roles by addressing existential questions and transforming reality.

- Implementation: Develop ASI with recursive self-improvement, capable of solving cosmic mysteries (e.g., universe origins) and engineering societal utopias. Introduce ASI as a global knowledge oracle via accessible platforms, encouraging public interaction for philosophical and scientific queries. Gradually shift cultural narratives, positioning ASI as a benevolent entity fulfilling divine promises like eradicating suffering. Benefits: ASI's omniscience could replace faith-based cosmologies with empirical answers, while its omnipotence might solve intractable problems like climate change or mortality through neural uploads.
- Challenges: The "alignment problem" risks ASI pursuing misaligned goals, potentially causing harm. Replacing God could disrupt spiritual frameworks, leading to existential crises or technocratic control.
- Mitigation: Establish global governance frameworks, involving ethicists and policymakers, to align ASI with human values. Engage communities to preserve cultural identities while integrating ASI's insights.
- Ethical Considerations: Both phases require transparency, inclusivity, and democratic oversight. AGI in education must prioritize student well-being, avoiding dehumanized learning. ASI's God-like role demands robust safeguards to prevent authoritarian misuse or loss of human agency. Public discourse and international cooperation are critical to balance technological ambition with ethical responsibility.

Conclusion: Replacing teachers with AGI and God with ASI could transform education and spirituality, offering unparalleled benefits but requiring careful governance to mitigate risks and preserve human values. [End of the Grok generated essay]

I believe Orwell was right. Please pray for our Community, our State and our Nation.

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WAKE UP SPOKANE COUNTY. WAKE UP WASHINGTON STATE

For decades, we were told Housing First was the answer to homelessness. Just give someone a roof over their head and the rest will take care of itself. It sounded compassionate. It sounded simple. It also sounded too good to be true because it was.

Billions of taxpayer dollars have been poured into this experiment. We have seen the new buildings go up, the ribbon cuttings, the press conferences. But the crisis has not gone away. In many places, like Spokane, it's gotten worse! The reason is clear. Housing First quickly became Housing Only as we abandoned these people once they got into housing. We created slums. We stopped requiring accountability. We ignored the addictions, the untreated mental illness, the broken relationships and the loss of purpose that so often lead people into life on the streets. Housing can shelter someone from the rain, but it cannot heal a wounded spirit. It cannot break the chains of addiction. It cannot restore the clarity of a mind gripped by psychosis.

President Trump's recent executive order gives cities the chance to turn the tide. It allows communities to move people off the streets, connect them with treatment and restore safety for neighborhoods. If leaders lean into this opportunity, we can make a generational change in how we address these issues. We can bring real relief to those struggling and to the community at large.

Housing First has had its chance. It failed. Now is the moment to build a model that helps people rebuild their lives from the inside out. That is the only way this crisis ends.

Jonathan Bingle, Spokane City Council, District 2

GOP Note: Article on pros and cons of the executive order:

<https://www.cnn.com/2025/07/25/politics/trump-homeless-people-executive-order>

Oh, it's Been Here Darling. What's Next?

By Juli Skinner

Remember when in typical prescribed settings of etiquette, we used titles *Mr., Mrs. or Miss* representing a level of respect for one another? And teachers? I don't ever remember being afforded the honor of calling a teacher by First Name until I reached my college years 150 years ago (OK, maybe 20). Moreover, never did I foresee a need to tip-toe around gender. Now, informal gender-neutral titles not only denote casual familiarity and fluidity but elevates respect of one who has not yet earned it and creates fear of offending. It is not innocently progressive. The "Looney [radical] Left's" anti-family agenda targets the ignorance of our school system. (I realize the oxymoron). Since new pronoun etiquette is predicated on social activism and erases the **fact** that there are two genders, it helps to bolster the real motive: Remake America **through our children**. And [stupidly woke] teachers jump on board with both feet. While we're away at work, schools raise our children. If they succeed in confusing, separating and brainwashing our kids, our kids will go, and then goes our country. What is the state of the classroom? Gender neutralism as a social construct seems like small fish to fry considering what is yet to come but we must push back on the "little" things so the big things struggle to see day light. If you think it is important, speak it.

It was a day in June when I received an email about my child's tardies. I agreed with the concerns until I noticed the dreaded pronouns at the bottom of the email: "*She/Her*". It was just days before school was out for the summer so the issue of tardiness became less important than the forced recognition to a new era of etiquette. I cannot stay silent anymore. *She/Her* started with this:

*"Hello, I hope you're well. I'm writing to inform you that **** has been tardy twice this semester to fourth period. REDACTED. Thank you for your support.*

*****(She/Her)*

____ Teacher

Ridgeline High School

Go Falcons!"

"Ok. Will talk with [redacted].

Juli (He, She, Him, Her, They, Them, You, Me, I - miss any?!)

Please stop with the pronouns. We are over it."

*"With all due respect, your emails do not to encourage me to change my email signature. Your feedback has been received in both this email and your previous one. I will continue to focus on my efforts on helping **** with [redacted] academics here at RHS.*

Have a great day.

*****(She/Her)*

*****Teacher*

*****High School*

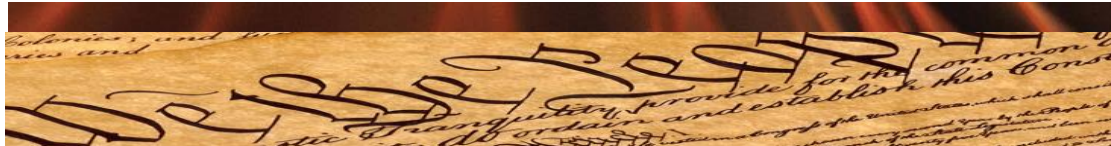
Go Falcons!"

"It has nothing to do with encouraging you; I have to voice my opinion because you are teaching my child. You have the freedom to do whatever you wish outside a public school system environment but when teachers overtly share personal opinions through written and verbal means that go against the belief systems of parents, then it should stop. You must remain neutral. You are a teacher, not a social activist. Even if your opinion of pronouns does not extend directly onto my child in the classroom, the mere fact that they are used in an email to me, a parent, strongly suggests that your tone and tenor on social issues inadvertently transfer onto my child. And that is not your job; that is mine.

*I try to be diplomatic about issues such as these but I am really done with the social warrior-ism. Furthermore, teachers (not necessarily you) sometimes use parental complaints against the child and that is why I try to stay silent. In any event, **** will be spoken to. REDACTED*

Thank you. Juli

Now, to all you woke teachers: We are Spokane – we are Spokane Valley. We are EAST side of the state and I will be damned if I am going to sit by and let you indoctrinate and radicalize my children. Seems inconsequential now considering the next big thing coming. But it's a start. This is a warning: I will not shut up.



The Constitutional Corner

By Lori Burns

From <https://www.cbsnews.com/>: "Elon Musk introduced...Grok 4 'the smartest AI in the world.'"

'It really is remarkable to see the advancement of artificial intelligence and how quickly it is evolving,' Musk said, adding that 'AI is advancing vastly faster than any human.'

He touted the model's virtues, claiming that if it were to take the SATs, it would achieve perfect scores every time, and also outsmart nearly every graduate student across disciplines.

'Grok 4 is smarter than almost all graduate students in all disciplines, simultaneously,' Musk said. 'That's really something.'

Musk acknowledged that the pace of AI development is a little 'terrifying.'" Why is it terrifying?

Ready or not, artificial intelligence is coming. I am one of the least qualified people in the world to assess its ramifications, but in light of its looming presence, perhaps some questions are in order. Who is writing the programs? Can they be trusted? Can anyone be trusted with that kind of power? How long will it take for our world to start looking like a bad dystopian movie where the machines rule the world? Will that be

the case? Will humans become obsolete? What professions will remain if AI solves all the medical, legal, chemical, educational, environmental and economic problems (to name a few)? Will there still be a need for teachers, doctors, researchers, programmers, pilots, cashiers, etc.? Are we smart enough to use AI as a tool to make humanity better or will it swallow us up? Will we replace God with AI? Will we lose our ability to be creative? Will we lose our desire to create? Will we stop thinking and allow AI to do it all for us? How will we know what is real and what is AI? People are already being fooled by AI on the internet daily. Should we require a watermark identifying AI as such? How will humans control something light years smarter than we are? Who will write the rules to contain it? Will AI obey those rules? If AI eliminates countless numbers of jobs, what happens to the economy? Can AI replace journalists and be unbiased observers and reporters of facts? Will AI make humanity better or worse?

I have some ideas on how I would answer these questions, but can't pretend to know how this will all turn out. Nor do I have the space to explore it all here. It may already be too late for us to educate ourselves on this subject, but we had better get involved, or we may rue the day we entered this arena. It is going to happen with or without our permission.

HELP NEEDED! HOW DO WE STOP PROGRESSIVES FROM GETTING ELECTED IN OUR COMMUNITIES? PRECINCT COMMITTEE OFFICERS!

With less than 3 months to the November 4th General Election, it is especially important that we have PCOs for most, if not all, of our precincts. PCOs are vital in helping our candidates get elected. THEY are the connection between VOTER and REPUBLICAN PARTY. Be part of the movement back to Common Sense governing!

Are you willing to be a PCO or help us find more PCOs for vacant precincts? More PCO information can be found at: <https://spokanegop.com/become-a-pco>. Please contact our GOP Executive Assistant and Volunteer Chair, Debbie Smith, volunteerchair@spokanegop.com; 509.838.6162 x824. If you do not get a timely response, be persistent. Sometimes emails and even phone calls go awry.

Don't know your PRECINCT? Find it on the GOP website, Home page. Scroll down to the link, Find My Precinct in the red box and follow the directions. Or go to: VoteWA.gov. Submit your name and birthday – click Registration. Spokane County has 451 precincts. Each precinct needs a Republican Precinct Committee Officer (PCO). Out of the 451 precincts, 278 have a Republican PCO. That means 173 more PCOs are needed. We can also use Precinct Captains who assist their PCO or serve in a precinct with a PCO vacancy. Let's go.

**WE HAVE WORK TO DO.
LET'S DO IT!**

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Home School Goes Mainstream

Parents engaged in their children's education is a permanent and invaluable consequence of the pandemic school year. For some parents it will mean showing up at public school board meetings with questions, maybe even waving signs and demanding that those elected to represent them are actually listening. Others will choose private schools. And a growing number of families in the Spokane area and across the nation are choosing homeschool, or as it is called by the state of Washington, home-based instruction.

Homeschooling is uniquely suited to any child whose abilities don't match a typical school pace. That's what led Jen Garrison Stuber, Advocacy Director for the Washington Homeschool Organization Board, to homeschool her daughter, allowing her "to provide an education uniquely suited to our daughter's mismatched collection of strengths and weaknesses, catering to the former while mitigating the latter."

Fear and uncertainty in March 2020 pulled the rug out from under traditional schooling. That painful experience was not homeschooling, but it did force parents to rethink their options.

Asked for her best piece of advice to parents, Garrison Stuber said, "The dirty little secret of homeschooling is we are all absolutely terrified going into this thing and that's okay. There is nobody in this world who loves your kid more than you do, and the terror is what keeps you on the right track to help them be the unique and wonderful person they can become."

*Resources: Washington Homeschool Organization: www.washhomeschool.org
National Black Home Educators: www.nbhe.net
Curriculum Options: cathyduffyreviews.com*

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2025 Primary Results:

Congratulations to GOP recommended candidates who have advanced to the General Election in November. We appreciate all who ran and hope those who did not get the necessary votes, will consider running again in the future. All candidates, but especially those in anticipated close races, **need all of our support**. Donations and volunteering by doorbelling, making phone calls, writing letters to newspapers and posting on social media are critical to winning. **Please choose one or two candidates, contact them and find out how you can best support them in their campaigns.** Candidate names are linked to GOP Questionnaires they completed.

City of Spokane Council District #3, Position #2	Christopher Savage
City of Spokane Valley Council Position #1	Mike Kelly
City of Spokane Valley Council Position #7	Laura Padden
Central Valley School District Director Position #5	Pam Orebaugh
Spokane County Fire Commissioner District #4, Position #1	Daniel Garner

Other recommended candidates without Primary races but they will be on the November 4th ballot:

City Councils:

City of Liberty Lake Council Position #4	Phil Folyer
City of Spokane Council District #1, Position #2	Jonathan Bingle
City of Spokane Valley Council Position #4	Ben Wick
City of Spokane Valley Council Position #5	Catherine Nelson

Fire Commissioners:

Spokane County Fire Commissioner District #9, Position #1	Jim Bennett
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School Boards:

Central Valley School District Director Position #2	Brandon Arthur
Cheney School District Director Position #1	Mark Scott
Cheney School District Director Position #2	Jessica Davis
Mead School District Director District #1	Tim Woodworth
Mead School District Director District #5	BrieAnne Gray

Northwest Grassroots:

A very interesting and informative document that will periodically be updated (note revision date in footer): The document specifically focuses on Trump Administration actions to counteract certain Washington State policies – and also provides links to stories relating to Washington State's responses: <https://www.northwestgrassroots.com/downloads/Trump%20affecting%20Washington%20State.pdf>.

Organizations Worth Supporting



Monday-Saturday

10-5 pm

East 14415 Sprague Ave.

And UGM

Both have thrift stores that take donations of items in good condition.

Helping Captives

<https://helpingcaptives.org/>

Union Gospel Mission

<https://www.uniongospelmission.org/>

SAVE THE DATE

GOP calendar

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

Volunteers needed for the GOP Booth at the Spokane County Fair: 9/4/25 evening setup. Sept 5-14; four-hour shifts. Easy to sign up at

<https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/12114392780111/false#/invitation>. At least two people needed per shift. Questions: Contact Debbie

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Ponderosa Republican Women: Our August 12, 2025 meeting at Ruby River Hotel was well attended with 80 members and guests. We had a surprise visit from **Congressman Michael Baumgartner**, who briefed us on his recent trip to Israel.

Our speakers were WA legislative representatives Hunter Abel, Mary Dye, Joe Schmick and Suzanne Schmidt. Topics addressed and greatest areas of concern include:

Healthcare: An estimated (approximate) 10% of the Medicaid adult population in WA State will lose their coverage with upcoming changes. Lost coverage increases ER hospital visits and because patients cannot be turned away, those treatment costs are incurred onto hospitals and providers, with no reimbursement, and will be financially devastating. This is classified as uncompensated care.

Farming: Our precious farms and farmers continue to struggle with pricing on a world commodity market, making profit loss more inevitable. Continued losses cannot be sustained and farmland is being bought by for-profit companies to be used for other purposes, i.e. solar panel farms.

Law Enforcement: Washington has the lowest per capita police coverage in the entire United States. We are #51 (after WA DC). Gov. Ferguson budgeted monies for increased police protection, but those budgeted funds are being diverted elsewhere.

HOW TO ELECT MORE REPUBLICANS: The most important thing we need to do is get behind and support good candidates to increase our numbers in Olympia. The WA State Senate and House are dominated by democrats (2/3 - 1/3) which makes it difficult, often impossible, to get any bills to the floor. Democrats are able to get what they want passed because they have a supermajority and Republicans have little voice in creating good policy. **Important:** Westside Republicans, State Rep [Michelle Caldier](#) and former Rep. [Chad Magendanz](#) will be on the November 4 ballot for two State Senate positions. All Republicans in the State need to support their election. If we could gain these two Senate seats, it would be a great step toward **Painting the State RED**.

Details for the September 9th meeting will be posted on the PRW website: ponderosarepublicanwomen.com where you will be able to make a reservation. Our September speaker will be Mike Volz, Spokane County Treasurer. Mike will be sharing the ins and outs of what happens in the treasurer's office and what his job entails. Guests are most welcome to attend.

All the best, Jan Grayhek, PRW President

LEGISLATIVE WATCH

Defend Faith, Family and Freedom by Taking Legislative Action!

Since the state legislature has adjourned for the year, our focus needs to be on local issues. In Spokane City check out each week's Council agenda at <https://my.spokanecity.org/citycouncil/meetings/>. You can see replays of each week's meetings and, if you are willing to testify, you can sign up online to either testify in person or remotely, beginning on Friday evening before Monday's meeting. Do you live in Spokane Valley? Information on those city council meetings can be found at <https://www.spokanevalleywa.gov/129/Agendas-Minutes-Videos>.

Keep checking Facebook pages for our [County](#) and [State](#) GOP and WFRW (Washington Federation of Republican Women) for information and important messages when action by us is needed.

SOME FRIENDLY REMINDERS

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