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SpokaneGOP

Keep and Bear Arms - You have the right to protect yourself against enemies both foreign and domestic.

National Sovereignty, Immigration and

Defense - We believe America must have the strongest national defense necessary to defend our borders, homes and national interests.

Individual Rights - We

believe individual human rights come from our Creator, not the government. We recognize the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness from conception to natural death. We believe in free speech, thought, worship and dissent without fear of government interference or penalty.

Limited Government -

Government is best when it governs the least. Big government infringes upon the rights of the citizens, is prohibitive, inefficient and extremely expensive.

Healthcare - We believe that the best healthcare model is one with very limited government intervention, based around the principle of individual responsibility.

Property Rights - It is the right of all citizens to legally acquire, own, use and dispose of private property. It is your right to protect your property with reasonable force against another person who is threatening to infringe upon it.

Infrastructure (Energy, Utilities, Transportation and Technology) - We

understand that government must continue to invest wisely in infrastructure and transportation projects, especially those critical to growth and safety and strive to be a leader in energy and information technologies through our free market system rather than with government intervention.

Family Values - We support the right of families to be free to raise their children according to their personal morals, values and spiritual beliefs.

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.

Chairman's Chat

By Brian Steele, SCRCC Chair

This Issue:

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.

Next 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.

The primary election has just completed. I would like to personally thank all those who have helped and worked so hard. Even though all the results are not in we can still see some things that are good and areas that we need to do better if we are to get the results this fall that we have hoped for. One of the concerns is the **low turn out rate**. There is still a sense among many voters that their vote will not have that much impact in changing things. This is always a problem particularly on the eastern side of the state. We need to help people understand that there is a good chance that the Republicans can take over the State House and Senate. That could keep our Governor from enacting any more destructive policies. Along with that we have eleven initiatives to the Legislature from the people that if they receive enough signatures and then are voted on and passed by both the House and Senate would not be able to be vetoed by the Governor. These initiatives would undo some of the most destructive measures that have been implemented by the legislature in the last two sessions.

We also have several local races that we need to increase voter turn out to secure badly needed victories. These include races in the 3rd legislative district and county commissioner races. We are meeting next week to work on strategy with the Marketing Committee. We also need to do a massive amount of door belling and phone calling to get the vote out! We are calling on all PCOs and other willing individuals to help in this effort. A number of individuals have helped us do more in this area than in any other part of the State but if we are to succeed, we need to do even more.

Please contact campaigns or let us know on the GOP website that you are willing to help. You may also contact Joseph Murphy at joseph@wsrp.org to get involved. We look forward to working with all of you to have a successful general election.

WAKE UP

WASHINGTON

Which decade do you remember best for being the worst? Great Depression; WW2; McCarthyism; Counterculture; Watergate; Democrat's KKK; Whitewater; 9/11; BLM or now? National issues – yes. But we feel it too, here, in Washington.

To date:

<u>US Senator</u> <u>Washington:</u> Population - 7.8 million Vote count - 1.8 million

<u>WA Congressional</u> <u>District 3 U.S. Rep:</u> Population - 772,750 Vote count - 208,993

WA Congressional
District 4 U.S. Rep:
Population – 751,843
Vote count 143,185

Given the irrational policies driven by the Left, our Conservative candidates should have won their primaries by larger margins. If we believe in lower taxes, safety and security, parental rights and free/fair elections, then don't be afraid to vote on those principles — don't fear turning out in massive numbers.

LOGIC outweighs the Left's damaging ideology. Get it done!

YOUR VOTE COUNTS!

By Juli Skinner

IT'S THE ECONOMY STUPID.

Devised by Democratic political consultant James Carville, the message transcended the failed economy during Bill Clinton's presidential campaign and appealed to all voters in President Bush's defeat. Some dispute Mr. Carville's theory, arguing that a bad economy does not equally affect each class. Valid point. But the economy, unquestionably, affects ALL classes.

Demonizing the wealthy and coddling the poor solves nothing. It breeds animosity. The economy [stupid], needs responsible spending practices. The Inflation Reduction Act? \$725 billion in revenue will be raised through corporate minimum taxes, prescription drug pricing reform and IRS tax enforcement. It may target wealthy private business owners who employ workers but the majority of that bill will be footed by the middle class. The weathy will endure, surviving on capital. The poor will benefit from government food stamp programs as inflation rises. But the middle class will ultimately be the class to watch their savings dwindle; earning too much to qualify for assistance and too little to sustain a standard of living. To different

degress, the economy does in fact affect each class.

Gross Product Index, inflation, interest rates, jobs report; none of it means much to the general population. Let economists debate the technical definition of a recession. We don't care if there's two consecutive quarters of negative growth; we care how accurate the "E" on our fuel gauge is when we are driving to work; if we have shampoo in our eyes while showering and the water gets shut off; affording life-saving blood pressure medicine and the threat of a foreclosure looming over our heads. We worry as we watch our children eat (blissfully unaware), that we may need to use coupons, switch to no-name brand food, and water down whole milk to make it stretch to breakfast. And fresh produce? Eat it quickly or it will rot (seemingly more frequent these days). That means more trips to the grocery store. Because the typical farmer cannot absorb inflating costs, they pass it onto consumers. Of course, big producers like berry tyrants in California can afford an economic downturn more easily but regardless of class, "It is [indeed] the

economy

stupid".



The Constitutional Corner

By Lori Burns

everything worse. And

Let us begin by stating the obvious. Our economy stinks. Obviously much of that blame rests with COVID-but on second thought, does it really? Or does the blame actually rest with the poor and even destructive governmental response to COVID? Consider the following: The Dear Leader Inslee declared unilaterally and without basis in fact that some businesses in Washington were "nonessential",

unconstitutionally shutting down thousands of businesses, many of which closed their doors permanently. In the wake of this destruction, many business owners lost their lifetime of investment and jobs evaporated. In addition, our foolish, fumbling Federal government sent bailout money to all the wrong people in business (huge corporations) while making it ridiculously difficult for small businesses to get the real help they needed. These same short-sighted fools,

paid people to stay home

from work with the blind support from Dear Leader Inslee. (You know, the governor who refuses to relinquish his emergency powers due to COVID after nearly 900 days.) As if all of this weren't enough, Dear Leader forced doctors, nurses, police officers and firefighters out of their jobs if they refused to march lockstep and get an unproven and highly suspect vaccine for COVID.

Sadly, President Trump bears some blame for the national COVID response, destructive policies have but after having read Robert F. Kennedy Jr.'s book, "The Real Doctor Fauci" (Yes, that Kennedy Biden takes credit for job and yes, he's still a Democrat), it is clear that Trump and a whole host of prior Presidents were hoodwinked by Dr. Fauci. The book is a must-read. Dr. Fauci is wholly corrupt Biden, but rather our and did nearly the exact opposite of what should have been done in every response to COVID. Both medically and economically, his "leadership" made

now we are stuck with vaccines that are ineffective at best, potentially dangerous at worst, with an American populous living in terror over a bad flu strain. Enter Joe Biden. The corrupt media and the ruthless Democrats peddled any lie and piece of misinformation in the attempt to destroy Donald Trump, corrupting formerly trusted institutions such as the FBI and DOJ in their rabid quest. In short order, Biden's short-sighted and dismantled every economic gain made under Trump. While gains, the truth is that some people were just finally able to re-open their businesses and go back to work. That has nothing to with Bumbling climbing out from under the destructive weight of COVID. Biden's warm embrace for antihumanist earthworshipers has taken us from being energy

humanist earth-worshipers independent exporters to begging Saudi Arabia for increased production. As we have destroyed multitudinous jobs in the U.S. energy industry, we are currently buying oil from Russia, Iran and Venezuela and using up our Strategic Oil Reserves (including exporting some of it to Europe.) I seem to remember Trump warning the Europeans about getting entangled in energy deals with Russia.

As we add all these horrible policy decisions together with unrestrained government spending, we have the highest gas prices in the history of gas prices and the worst inflation since the Carter vears. The inflation we are ALL suffering with hits hardest those who are poorest. The trade-offs we have to make in order to buy gas and food means that fewer people will be eating out, fewer people will travel long-distance, less recreation in general. The dominoes will continue to fall causing businesses to contract, inevitable job cuts and the snowballing of a recession that exists everywhere in America

GET INVOLVED

LEGISLATIVE PETITIONS

www.LetsGoWA.com

Limit emergency powers, ban medical mandates, reject carbon tax, keep CRT out of our schools. You decide what's important. Sign a petition or start one yourself.

To register to vote o check on your personal voting information:

VoteWA.gov

County Election website: https://www.spokanecounty.org/178/Current-Election

Ponderosa Republican Women, PRW http://www.PonderosaRepublicanWomen.com

House Republicans

https://houserepublicans.wa.gov/2021/0 2/01/how-you-can-be-involved-in-thelegislative-process/

ROE VS. WADE

A resolution was passed by the SCRCC EX Board on July 5th, 2022 in support of the June 24th, 2022 Supreme Court of the United States decision on Dobbs vs. Jackson Women's Health Organization.

The decision held that both Roe vs. Wade and Planned Parenthood of Southeastern Pa. vs. Casey should be overruled. Constitutional Corner continued.

What can we do? Engage. Let your elected officials know how you feel. Let them hear your frustration at this inexcusable and unnecessary recession. Tell them how it has affected every aspect of your life and the pain it has caused. And most importantly vote! Inslee, Cantwell, Murray must go. Elected leaders anywhere who glibly participated in the dismantling of the greatest economy in the world must be held accountable. We the people have the answers, we understand the reality we live every day; it is high time we insist on elected leaders that understand that and actually represent us.

THE AMERICAN'S CREED

I BELIEVE in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic; a sovereign nation of many sovereign states; a perfect union, one and inseparable; established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice, and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I THEREFORE BELIEVE it is my duty to my country to love it; to support its constitution; to obey its laws; to respect its flag; and to defend it against all enemies. CLASS JAN 1926, Lewis & amp; Clark High School

It's a statement recognizing the universal values essential to holding the American experiment in democracy together, even knowing they have always been imperfectly lived out. It's from a time when duties were emphasized as the logical companion to rights. And it's a reminder that our nation is made up of 50 states, with voters exercising political power through frequent free and fair elections. The apostrophe in the American's Creed puts responsibility for the "I believe" statements squarely on the individual. We are no longer striving for "a perfect union, one and inseparable" but merely a collection of intersecting identity groups focusing on group grievances. Civilized society requires we agree on a core of universal values.

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"Why cast a ballot? The 'west' cancels my vote!"

Joe Kent, an underdog, is why we vote. If just a thousand of his supporters didn't vote, he wouldn't have prevailed.

We unfortunately reside in a "blue" state. But it hasn't always been blue. Following the ratification of our State Constitution, we were pretty solidly "red" and stayed red until the year of Roosevelt (1933). We have since struggled to regain a majority. But it is possible. The tide is changing. We have good fighters, unafraid to represent us and the decent policies we once held. Democrats have been underhanded and we have taken it. No more. No mas! Grange vs. Washington State Republican Party in 2008 changed our primaries to a top-two primary system meaning in a "wall of blue" state, we could potentially send two Democrats to the General Election. This is a worse-case scenario. If we can't reverse case law, we must turn out to vote in the highest numbers possible. That means you -

possible. That means you -Republicans, Conservatives and especially you, Independents! By Pam Rabb, Guest Writer

Equal justice for all.

An ideal this country has espoused since the creation of the Constitution. One we continue to strive for to this day. We know the founders and those who participated in the Constitutional Convention of 1787, which gave us our Constitution as we know it, were very concerned with the rule of law and how it would be applied to citizens of this newly formed Republic. They knew from their experience the judiciary would need to be separate from the other powers of government so as not to be influenced by the law makers nor the executive branch. Justice was to be swift, equal, and impartial. Every court from the lowest municipal court to the Supreme Court has one consistent duty. They are to apply the law equally to every citizen. Every court, except the Supreme Court, must apply the law as written. They are not allowed to create law, interpret law based on individual circumstances, nor ignore the law if it goes against their personal beliefs. The Supreme Court is the only court that can challenge the laws as written. They are tasked with deciding cases before them based on whether the law being applied in a case meets the intent of the Constitution of the United States as it was written. The Supreme Court has the power to strike down a law they find unconstitutional thereby providing the balance our founders intended.

To achieve the ideal of equal justice we must first have equal laws. Those people tasked with creating the laws of each state and of the federal government set the standards the justice system must maintain. Our lawmakers, those people we send to represent us, must set aside personal, political, and ideological biases when creating laws. And most importantly our justices, especially on the Supreme Court, must remain impartial and unbiased when deciding cases if we are to remain a country committed for equal justice for all.

PRECINCT COMMITTEE OFFICERS



Terms begin - December 1, 2022.

https://www.spokanecounty.org/DocumentCenter/View/44300/August-2-2022-Primary-Election-PDF

If you do not know your Precinct number, you can find it at: https://voter.votewa.gov/ Submit your name and birthdate & click Registration link to get your precinct number.

PCOs are such an important connection between the people and the candidates. Please let us know if you do not have a PCO in your precinct. **Would you consider volunteering?**

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https://www.spokanegop.com/donate

SAVE THE DATES



Saturday, August 13

11am - 2pm

1st Annual Campaign Kickoff Spokane County Republican BBQ

RSVP: SpokaneGOP.com.

Meet the candidates who will be on the **November** ballot. Show your support.

PCOs: We need you to participate as we begin our campaign for **November** elections. Questions? Call our office, 509.838.6162. Leave message if no answer.

Saturday, August 20

10am - 4pm

Unity in the Community

Riverfront Park

Please contact Jeff Martin: <u>jeffmart3454@gmail.com</u> or Ida Hightower: <u>ihightower1215@outlook.com</u>

Monday, August 22

1:30 (1330hrs)

Stars & Stripes

with Mayor Woodward Spokane Veterans Memorial Arena

160 year iconic history for commitment to our service men & women.

Interested in sharing your ideas, knowledge or time? Please consider volunteering for a GOP committee position. If interested in helping with the Communications Committee or submitting work, you <u>MUST</u> meet the submission deadline. Contact Terri for more information at <u>terrizalevits@gmail.com</u>.