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Chairman's Chat

P. Brian Noble, SCRCC Chair/CEC **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.

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

I have been contemplating famous quotes from President Ronald Reagan. If we as a party could only grasp these quotes, we would win again and restore freedom.

Quote 1: "By working together, pooling our resources and building on our strengths, we can accomplish great things." — Ronald Reagan

Quote 2: "The person who agrees with you 80 percent of the time is a friend and an ally – not a 20 percent traitor." — Ronald Reagan

Quote 3 (Always remember): "I've always believed that a lot of the trouble in the world would disappear if we were talking to each other instead of about each other." — Ronald Reagan

Spokane County Republicans can accomplish Quote 1 but only if we can embrace Quote 2.

One more for grins and giggles: "A nation's greatness is measured not just by its gross national product or military power, but by the strength of its devotion to the principles and values that bind its people and define their character." — Ronald Reagan

Will you help me move the Spokane County Republican Party forward? Our mission, vision, and strategy are simple. **MISSION:** Get Republicans Elected [who will move the Republican platform forward. **VISION:** Fill Every Seat in Spokane County with a REPUBLICAN. **STRATEGY:** Empower PCOs and their neighbors to be grassroots leaders in their communities to win over people's hearts to conservative values.

*Monthly donations are needed for an effective and influential party to accomplish our mission, vision and strategy and cover SCRCC overhead. Contributions allow us to ensure freedom in our country. Thank you!



As you know this will be my final letter as chair of the SCRCC. I am honored to have served you for the short time and I look forward to partner with all of you in the future.

God Bless and God Bless the United States of America.

What's in a Book?

By Juli Skinner

Say you are a parent who white-knuckled your way through the public school system one small step ahead of the moral decadence nipping at your heels... and made it out. Congrats. The ruin is now safely behind you. But as your heart rate decreases and you breathe easier, the celebration of parental success is short-lived because you realize it hasn't actually ended with you or your child's class of '22. You realize; the work is not done.

WARNING - WARNING

EMBEDDED LINKS BELOW CONTAIN PORNOGRAPHIC MATERIAL - ALLOWED IN SOME SCHOOL LIBRARIES ACROSS OUR COUNTRY.

https://katv.com/news/nation-world/mom-confronts-northcarolina-school-board-over-vulgar-library-books-wakecounty-public-system-asheville-city-schools-what-girls-aremade-of-elana-arnold-john-amanchukwu-pastor

 $\underline{\text{https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wAWZyRkhL7w}}$

The Daily Caller

spotnSdero72l311Mchlam9cth20gmtu7ch3m0fau84t12iu 8ia7i 7ltiyc. "A California school board warned a mom about reading sexually explicit material from the school library at a school board meeting."

Disgusting harmful [Radical Democrat] leaders are allowing disgusting harmful policies to corrupt the innocence of our children. Our children are being separated from us and from God. The Radicals delight in the family division they are causing because it allows them to take control and to kidnap our children's young pliable minds. They sculpt our children through normalization of depravity and they encourage parental opposition. You may have narrowly escaped that shady school system but the society in which we live, has not. Our children will continue to endure the indoctrination as long as some parents remain oblivious or complicit. What's worse; some school boards remain so too.

Some recent additional headlines and excerpts:

"She went in front of the Montgomery County School Board and read excerpts from Flamer, a book by Mike Curato that she said was in her child's library. The content in the book is considered by some other parents to be graphic, sexually explicit and inappropriate for students."

Mar 8, 2023

Fairfax County Mother Complains of Sexual Books in Public School Library

Michigan parent reads graphic passages in revolt against pornographic books in school libraries

'There's a child in our boardroom': Board asks mom to stop reading sexual book available in school library.

by ALEC SCHEMMEL | Crisis in the Classroom Thu, November 17th 2022, 2:15 PM PST

"11-year-old reads aloud from 'pornographic' book he checked out from library at school board meeting"

By Joshua Q. Nelson, Fox News

By Joshua Q. Nelson, Fox News February 28, 2023 12:05pm

Contrary to what the Left claims, this is not about book banning. We are being gaslit to think it is. Of course we oppose our children's exposure to X-rated material, no matter if it's a movie or book. This is about the Left executing one of the oldest war tactics in history: Divide and conquer. THEY WANT OUR CHILDREN. But our children, God's children, DO NOT BELONG to them collectively or otherwise. Each individual family has a unique set of values to guide their children by. We, as families, guide our children into being productive members of society. We, as a community, prep that society for those children who will be joining it as adults. Corrupting their minds is not how we achieve this goal. Parents: Stay strong.

"Bring Your <u>BIBLE</u> To <u>SCHOOL</u>

Day <u>Is OCTOBER 5 2023".</u>

Love, GOD.



The Constitutional Corner By Lori Burns

Far too often, when we contemplate education, we think solely of our broken school system. In a broader sense education is a first amendment issue—it is the quintessential manifestation of free speech, because you cannot have freedom of speech without freedom of thought. The ability to think is dying as quickly as our education system.

As we look at the example set by the Founding Fathers, their pursuit of liberty came about as a result of their education. Some were formally educated, others were self-taught, some had a combination of both. But they valued learning and treated it as a life-long pursuit. They did not see education as a regurgitation of useless factoids but as the ability to reason, apply experience and a neverending pursuit of wisdom. Do we follow that example ourselves? Do we set that example for

our children and grandchildren? Education comes from the Latin "educare" which generally means to "bring from within" or "lead out from ignorance". We are doing neither. Our education system has become a system for governmental indoctrination and PC policing of thought. Instead, it should be a place where ideas are presented, analyzed, thoughtfully debated and then students are encouraged to draw their own conclusions and present their argument for said conclusion. Thinking and questioning should be encouraged. Regurgitation serves only to create a society of automatons. (Which is the goal of communism.)

Our culture does not seem to value education in the true sense and the results reflect that. There are many, many wonderful educators in our country who are being destroyed by the system. The system values bureaucrats who must justify their own existence by "managing" things; whose self-imagined superiority precludes any input from parents or teachers. The teachers' unions value their own existence and ability to funnel union dues to Democrat candidates over any consideration for the success of the students in our country. As long as we allow "the system" to set the educational rules, we will continue to waste millions upon millions of dollars on failing schools with miserable outcomes. It is high time that we eliminate the Department of Education and its gross overreach and demand accountability from failing schools. The system is wedded to the system and not the outcomes. We need a total overhaul and must elect candidates that understand and will pursue wholesale change.

WAKE UP SPOKANE COUNTY

PRECINCT COMMITTEE OFFICERS

(PCOs)

Terms began - December 1, 2022.

If you do not know your Precinct number, you can find it at:

https://voter.votewa. gov/

Submit your name and birthday & click registration link to get your precinct number.

PCOs are such important connections between the people and the candidates. Please let us know if you do not have a PCO in your precinct.

https://wsrp.org/ass ets/uploads/2022/05 /2022-PCO-Manual.pdf

Would you consider volunteering

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Train up a child in the way they should go

Excerpt from a column published for back-to-school 2022. For the complete column, check

Michael Cannon, Mead School District board member, proposed a policy banning curricula influenced by critical race theory, as well as one banning materials referencing gender studies or gender identity in elementary libraries as age-inappropriate. The board voted both down. "If not the policies I proposed, we still need to address these concerns in a meaningful way," said Cannon.

The state of Washington sets standards driven by who has the ears of the powerful. For the last three decades in a state locked under Democrat leadership, those ideas have been borrowed from an increasingly aggressive progressive wing pushing a secular theology at odds with many Washington family's values.

But not all families are equally functional, and teachers have to deal with the parents who are engaged and parents who aren't. School meals are a literal lifeline for some kids, and school may be the only place where caring adults listen to their serious questions about life.

Stepping in to meet a need for food or clothing is one thing, stepping in to fill a perceived vacuum in belief systems is problematic. "Where there's a vacuum, teachers will want to fill that gap but need to be careful that just because there is a need maybe the school system isn't the right party to fill that need," said Cannon. School boards need to circumscribe the good intentions of educators lest they overstep into parental territory.

Cannon appreciates productively engaged parents and teachers but sees the problem as the minority that goes for headlines with gotcha statements and personal attacks. "After the last two years, there's a chasm between parents and schools, along with a general distrust for institutions in general. Parents don't feel like their concerns will be addressed but they need to stay engaged."

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2024 Washington Gubernatorial Election

(Rep. vs. Dem...vs Socialism?) *General election - November 5, 2024. *Primary election - August 6, 2024

Every election year we hear how important it is to vote; each main political party vying for yours. The upcoming election year is no different except that one party's request for your vote is a vote for Socialism. Democrats are not Socialists but unfortunately, they have aligned with Socialists (Socialist-Democrat – if there is such a thing), teaming up in order to hold onto power. The marriage, however, is on the rocks or it should be because even the most loyal traditional Democrat must be seeing how their party name is becoming synonymous with anti-American sentiment. Republicans and Democrats have always and will always disagree on issues but the ideology of Socialism is in a class of its own. The thing we have in common with Democrats is that we want the best for our people. How we make policy may differ but the bottom line is, we love this country. With the 2024 election year right around the corner, distinctions between Democrat and Socialist is necessary. Tell your Democrat friends that Socialism has no place in their party. We cannot afford to get this one wrong.

Below are 6 initiatives that will bring 6 key policy issues for 2024 ballot for Washington. Sign these petitions so we can vote on them. Find more information at https://letsgowashington.com/.

I-2113 Reasonable Police Pursuit I-2117 Stop the hidden gas tax

I- 2124 Opt out of state-run long-term care act

I-2109 Repeal the capital gains tax I 2081 Parental notification

I-2111 No state income tax

COMMEMORATING 9/11. NEVER FORGET.

CANDIDATE NEWS: Visit Spokane GOP endorsements and recommended candidates for the latest news.

After thoughtful discussion, the GOP Board voted to add Nadine Woodward for Mayor of Spokane City and Earl Moore for Spokane City Council, District 3 to the previous primary recommendations.

Now – let's get behind our candidates.

Candidates who did not advance; PLEASE do not be discouraged. Get your name out there and return to the playing field. WE STILL NEED GOOD PEOPLE TO REPRESENT US.

QUESTION:

WHY VOTE? MY ONE LITTLE VOTE DOESN'T COUNT!

ANSWER:

1800 – Thomas Jefferson won by ONE vote (In the House of Representatives after a tie in the Electoral College)

1824– Andrew Jackson lost by ONE vote in the House of Representatives after Electoral College dead-lock.

2017 - Shelly Simonds (D) won by ONE vote in Virginia House of Delegates. (Later overturned).

-VOTE!----- BECAUSE THEY DO!

https://www.npr.org/2018/11/03/663709392/whyevery-vote-matters-the-elections-decided-by-asingle-vote-or-a-little-more

SAVE THE DATES

Saturday October 7, 2023

Mark your calendars.

PCOs will vote for the new Chair.

Time and place to be determined.

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WATCH FOR UPDATES IN WASHINGTON:

2019-20 HB1087 Concerning long-term care tax and services. https://www.washingtonpolicy.org/publications/detail/payrolltax-for-wa-cares-has-begun-butmeetings-continue-onprogram-details

Additional Information:

https://www.washingtonpolicy.org/centers/detail/center-for-healthcare or https://www.washingtonpolicy.org/centers/detail/center-forworker-rights.

https://www.washingtonpolicy.org/publications/detail/new-state-runprogram-will-not-fix-long-term-care-crisis-nor-should-it-offer-peace-ofmind-to-workers-forced-to-fund-it.

REFERENDUM -101 Concerning the protection of parents' rights and safety of our children (2023) SB 5599. A Parental Rights Initiative, I-2081 is available to sign NOW through mid-December. For more policy issues and petitions, go to https://letsgowashington.com/. Hiring Signature gathers. LET'S GET THE SIGNATURES TO MAKE THE BALLOT!

Washington Legislators meet again on the 8th of JANUARY 2024. Keep track of "Good", "Bad" and the "Ugly" bills in the legislature: WSRP Olympia Watch, https://wsrp.org/olympiawatch/. Watch the progress of the bills. Contact your legislators to voice your support or opposition. Your input is critical. Find bills at http://leg.wa.gov. Add the bill number to get the text, summary, when a public hearing will occur and videos of hearings. When a bill has passed out of one chamber, you can also see who voted "yea" and "nay" by clicking on View Roll Call.

LEGISLATIVE WATCH

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

House Republicans

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

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 MUST meet the submission deadline. Contact Terri for more information at terrizalevits@gmail.com.