

SpokaneGOP

Our Guiding Principles: *Keep and Bear Arms*

By Robin Ball

The Second Amendment is the glue that holds the Constitution and Bill of Rights together. The Second Amendment was created to give citizens protection from a tyrannical government. The language reflects England's belief that self-defense and resistance to oppression were a right of their people. I think we can all agree we are seeing our rights taken away and feel ourselves powerless to fight back.

The pandemic has created a high level of frustration with more and more "mandates". There is an uncertainty in what our futures will look like. Multiple issues are impacting the "right of the people to keep and bear arms". Every shooting you hear about gives more fuel to the anti-gun fire. That movement is well funded by Soros, Bloomberg and others, making our rights available for sale. The media supports gun control but I have found individual media personnel often love to shoot. Remember we could use friends in the media; don't paint them all with the same brush.

Solutions to protect our rights are difficult to summarize as the opposition is well funded and organized. My call to action for all of you is this. Know your elected officials and their stand on the personal firearms ownership. Understand how the background systems work and why it is a blatant lie by the left that anyone can simply buy a gun online. Make the Second Amendment a topic of conversation at public meetings, school boards, hearings and any and all public meetings. It will spark debate and may allow you to

WHAT WE BELIEVE

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.

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.

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.

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.

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express your opinion in a professional calm manner. Invite someone to go shooting with you. Teach your kids responsible gun use and ownership. A right not practiced is a right lost! Take responsibility for your own gun. Don't let anyone have access who cannot legally buy that gun. Yes, that means you do not allow children unsupervised access to guns. And join the NRA. Pros and cons about the organization, they are still the big gorilla in Washington DC. There are other great support groups for 2A rights also, but NRA still commands an audience. Remember too that your membership money doesn't support their political arm. Give to the Institute for Legislative Action. For state-based threats, give to the Second Amendment Foundation.

Are you wearing your mask?



By Juli Skinner

We've consistently heard various sources state that children are less likely to contract covid at high rates, suffer severe symptoms or transmit the virus. Yet they are forced to wear "face diapers" (Dan Bongino) in school. If you are not concerned with the lack of biological evidentiary data, be at least concerned with the question of a fundamental financial angle.

Washington's Office of Superintendents of Public Instruction (OSPI) answered: If a school fails to comply with governor mandates, funding could come to a stop. https://mcusercontent.com/a6d03956e7c6c95221fd6586c/files/fb36ca3a-c9c8-0c79-23f4-462b116d305c/2021_07_29_OSPI_LettertoSuptsBoards_forWSSDA.pdf

Whatever your ideology, there is one thing we are not; and that is a country of selective civil liberties. Our freedoms don't stop at the whims of autocrats. Declaring a state of emergency seems arbitrary in the era of COVID and each declaration dependent upon

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 your property.

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.

Find more on our principals
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the evolving science and whomever the expert is delivering the report that day. The abundance of information swallows you up and it is overwhelming.



Take a deep breath.

Government talking heads cannot make decisions for your family. Follow your instincts. This virus is deadly and has no doubt affected us each and all but as President Trump put it, “We cannot let the cure be worse than the [disease]”. If we aren’t vigilant, we will.

While we’ve been chanting, “Unmask Our Kids”, COVID has run cover for the indoctrination being jammed down their throats. It is so prolific; the left doesn’t even bother to conceal it anymore. If you’ve convinced yourself not to get involved because your student is soon set to graduate; think about your grandchildren. They will endure far worse if we don’t work together and stop this. School boards hold power over us, but, if they can no longer do the job they were hired for, recall them. Central Valley School District parents are doing just that. Pam Orebaugh and another capable candidate are ready to replace the weak board members. Go to <http://electpam4kids.com/> to learn more.

School boards have used state and federal directives to hide their cowardice and we’ve blindly trusted them to represent us. Now funding for our children is being threatened based on compliance of illicit mandates? Well, don’t look to school organized fundraisers for help. Joel E. Ferris’ annual “Ham on Regal” has raised over \$2,000,000 since 1963 for school “needs”. Sounds great, until you realize money is allocated to programs you oppose. Ask questions, request answers and demand action because lexical ambiguity plays a key role in the program subcategories.

Are you still wearing your mask?

2020 pie model and breakout pictured on this page.

For more information on state funding, visit the Department of Education <https://www.ed.gov/> and see COVID Relief Data at the bottom of the page. Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund, Governor Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund and other funding is buried but it is there.

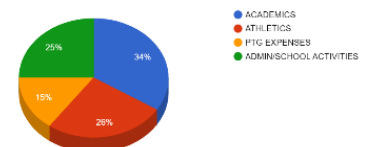
A side note: According to the Daily Wire, 122 teachers in Washington vow to teach CRT.

[Here Are More Teachers Who Said They Would Violate The Law To Teach CRT. Is Your Town On The List?](#)

HAM ON REGAL

Produced by volunteer teachers and parents. Based on their website, play proceeds are funneled through the Parent/Teacher Group (PTG) and are then distributed to any staff or department who applies for and meets predetermined criteria.

Where the Money Goes



ACADEMICS	\$32,311.76
ATHLETICS	\$24,065.14
PTG EXPENSES	\$13,995.62
ADMINISTRATION/SCHOOL ACTIVITIES	\$23,185.05

THEY'VE GOT IT ALL WRONG

GUN CONTROL: Break it down and reverse it. CONTROL GUN(S); control people; control us. It evinces a sinister plan. Foes of the 2nd Amendment conveniently skip over its origin, altering the meaning of our Founders' intentions altogether. The Amendment is straight forward; only twenty-seven words. Citizens have a right and a duty to protect this country from an impending tyrannical government. It's not a matter of will we use force; it's that we could. We need that power. It keeps our government in check. Enough said? Nope.

Logic escapes activists. They imply that gun control will keep us safe. Safe from what? Just as the Constitution is for all; laws are not for just a few. Laws don't stop the smallest percentage of people capable of the largest percentage of harm. Offenders don't care about little metal signs saying "Gun-Free [School] Zone". Our children, being slaughtered while innocently walking from school, playing in their yards or sleeping in their beds, are not being murdered by law-abiding citizens. Anti-gun activists exploit gun related offenses, trying to connect it to the 2nd Amendment. It is unreasonable and lacks intellect. But sadly, it is gaining momentum.

While the loss of loved ones in this context - or any context - is tragic, we must separate our Constitutional gun rights from anti-social proclivities. Preserve our *Rights* and punish the lawless. That is propriety, as in a standard for acceptable social behavior. Anti-gun activists know exactly what our constitutional protections are and how to message against it. They seek to achieve "their order" albeit, through illegal means. J.S.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL CORNER

By Lori Burns

America has often been called the "Great Experiment". That experiment was codified in our great Constitution. After centuries, worldwide, of monarchs, emperors, caste systems and failed democracies (i.e., majority rules), our inspired Founding Fathers resolved to establish self-rule. The founding of our Republic was based on years of studying the collective wisdom of the world and eliminating everything that was a known failure. Add to that the major forces that brought about our revolt from England: the consolidation of too much power in one individual (the king), the abhorrence of whimsical and arbitrary laws (also wielded by the king), lack of local representation (failure of the

September: Precinct Committee Officer

Diana Wilhite serves as Chair of the Redistricting Committee for the GOP. She was the Mayor of City of Spokane Valley and is Membership Chair of Ponderosa. She doorbells consistently for candidates year after year. She is an outstanding member of the Party and an outstanding PCO.

HIGHLIGHTED EVENTS:

Spokane Interstate Fair

FAIR & EXPO

Thank you to all volunteers and participating candidates who helped out and visited our booth during the Spokane Interstate Fair last month. We were visible to our community and provided valuable information for our voters.



SAVE THE DATES: Lincoln Day



-- GET INVOLVED --

Spokane County Republican Party
<https://www.spokanegop.com/>

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

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

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British Parliament to allow representation from the colonies) and taxation without representation and you have the driving forces that lead to our Constitution.

The overarching principles behind the Constitution are: 1) That all men and women have God-given rights which cannot be deprived them by anyone in government. 2) A national government is vital to the survival of any nation, but the powers of said government are severely limited. 3) That limited federal power was reduced further by being divided among three equal branches which were intentionally established to be at odds with each other and throttle the other's power. 4) All powers not specifically granted to the federal government are reserved to the states. 5) Elected officials are to be public servants elected from among our peers to represent our interests. 6) Our Republic can only survive based on the individual righteousness and personal responsibility of each citizen. 7) Government can only be run by highly flawed human beings, therefore the responsibility of citizens to vote and elect honest and intelligent people as representatives is one of our greatest responsibilities and privileges.

As we have gotten further and further from original constitutional principles, we find ourselves flailing as a nation: gross national debt, cradle to the grave nanny state, abject corruption at every level of governance, the federal government overwhelming and overriding state's rights, the creation of a ruling political class exempting themselves from their own laws, trampling the Bill of Rights in the name of "safety", becoming a nation of men--not laws, legislation from the judicial bench, governance by unelected bureaucracies, and the total failure to enforce written law (such as the border). There is a gigantic and ever-widening chasm in this country between those who rely on and believe in the fundamental governing principles listed above and those who rely instead on government. Any form of government not based on individual responsibility and accountability is fundamentally incompatible with our Constitution. Whether it is socialism, democratic socialism, communism, dictatorship or anything in between, we cannot pretend to include such principles without the absolute destruction of constitutional principles.

The principles of the Constitution are based on eternal truths regarding human nature, cause and effect, choice and consequence, right and wrong. But we as a nation are governing like reckless teenagers who have an over-inflated sense of their own immortality and traditionally short-sighted decision-making. We are out of time. Are there enough of us to push back on the seemingly endless tide of foolishness and restore our Republic or do we give up? As for me and my house: "Give me liberty or give me death." I will never give up on the truth nor the vision of the Founders. The Constitution, though not perfect, is the best the world has ever had.

-Primary Spokane Valley Results- Congratulations!

Laura Padden; Council Position
Number 7

Pamela Haley and Wayne Fenton;
Council Position Number 5

Brandon Fenton; Council Position
Number 4

**-PLEASE-
Watch for Recommendations
and Endorsements on next
month's newsletter for
NOVEMBER'S election!**

Interested in sharing your ideas,
knowledge or time? Please consider
volunteering for a GOP committee
position. Contact Terri at
terrizalevits@gmail.com.

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2021 SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP

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https://www.spokanegop.com/2021_sustaining_membership

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We apologize for the delay of this month's newsletter. Extra editing was necessary. Thank you for your understanding and support!