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#### Are you ready to help?

While the major activity for the Winnebago County Republican Party won't happen till the lead up to the next Presidential election in 2016, there are a lot of things that are accomplished by the Officers and Board of the WCRP in time between elections. You can be part of those accomplishments and efforts. If you are passionate about our country and our state, and are interested, here are some of the things where help will be needed:

- July Parade Season: We will be supporting our elected officials in the July 4th Oshkosh and Omro Parades, the Winneconne Secession Day Parade and possibly other parades. Check our website for more details as they become available.
- Community Captains: We need to start organizing now to have everything in place for the 2016 elections. If you are interested, please e-mail cc@winnebagogop.org.



..especially in low turnout elections like the Spring Elections. Make your voice heard.

GET OUT TO VOTE! AND TAKE SOME FRIENDS WITH YOU!

# **VOTE APRIL 7TH!**

Why the WCRP is supporting Justice James P. Daley for Wisconsin Supreme Court Justice and a "YES" vote on the Constitutional Amendment.

At our February Caucus, we passed a resolution to support Justice James P. Daley for his election to the Wisconsin State Supreme Court. You can read the resolution in the Blog portion of our website. <u>(Click here if you are reading this electronically.)</u>

Some of the highlights of the reasoning:

Justice Daley has stated that he has promised to:

- Bring common sense and humility back to Wisconsin
- Never use his position to overturn the will of the people of Wisconsin
- Never use his position to punish the wealthy and hard-working people
- of this State
- Never throw needless "blocks" in the way of law enforcement men and women of Wisconsin.

Justice James P. Daley is a Judicial Constitutionalist and not a Judicial Activist, is Pro-Life regarding Abortion law, but at the same time states he will support all laws as currently passed. He supports the 2nd Amendment to the US Constitution.

Daley is an Elkhorn High School and Marquette Law School graduate. He earned a Purple Heart and Bronze Star as a Marine in Vietnam. He later joined the Wisconsin Army National Guard and retired as brigadier general. Daley started his law career in Janesville. He was elected to three twoyear terms as Rock County district attorney before then-Gov. Tommy Thompson appointed him judge in 1989. Daley has won elections since. Daley cited Bradley's opposition to voter ID and Act 10 as inspiring him to run against her.

Also, please vote YES for the Constitutional

<u>Amendment</u> that changes how the Chief Justice for the Wisconsin Supreme Court is chosen. As stated by the Editorial Board of the Janesville Gazette:

"Daley supports the constitutional amendment. The justice with the most seniority now serves an unlimited term as chief justice, and that has long been Bradley's fellow liberal, Shirley Abrahamson. Bradley sees the amendment as a blatant attempt to oust Abrahamson.

Nonsense. Twenty-two other states let peers select their chief justices. Only six use seniority for this important role of setting the high court's agenda and controlling and funneling some money to lower courts. Conservatives now control the court, but when liberals retake the majority, they could pick one of their own.

Bradley has self-interests. Abrahamson, 81, won't serve forever. Based on seniority, Bradley would be next in line for chief justice. The amendment would bring democracy to the high court, letting justices choose their leader every two years. That accountability might bring more decorum and dignity and less rancor." Link to the full article.

In summary, make sure you get out to vote on April 7th, and VOTE FOR:

- JUSTICE JAMES P. DALEY FOR WISCONSIN STATE SUPREME COURT
- YES ON THE CONSTITIONAL AMMENDMENT

#### WCRP Trunkline

It's my honor to be writing to you all as your newly elected Chairman of the Winnebago County Republican Party. On February 7th at our county caucus I took on this new role along with a new slate of officers and members of our executive committee. For the past three years I've served as the Vice-Chairman under the great leadership of former Chairman John Petek. John did so much to help further the Conservative cause during his time as Chairman, I hope you'll all take the opportunity to thank him for his dedication and his leadership during an important period for our state and the Republican Party of Wisconsin.

I hope you've all either cast an absentee ballot for our election for Tuesday April 7th or have plans to cast your ballot that day. We as your local party's executive committee have made the recommendation that you select Judge James Daley for State Supreme Court. And of course we humbly ask that you vote YES to allow our State Supreme Court Justices to choose their own Chief Justice.

As we've all learned through recent history, there are no "off years" anymore. We've made the decision to rise to the occasion and keep a county Republican office open year-round as long as we are able. Our office is much more than a place for us to hold meetings or store equipment. It's become a gathering place for the sharing

of ideas and strategies, a place for us to learn what we can from each other, and a place for us to teach our community about the ideals and values that we hold dear.

This of course means that we need help from those of you reading these words. To function well as a County Party we need more than just the executive board stepping up to run the office, plan and execute events and parades, and helping to finance our group. To this point we've kept ourselves afloat mostly through membership dues, gun raffles, and a few donations. The more of you that come forward to help us make all of our endeavors successful, the more that momentum builds and the enthusiasm snowballs. Even if you can help with ONE event, bake ONE cake or pie to be raffled off, or make even ONE small donation, it all helps us push towards success.

I know I can count on you to step up to help us win these long-term battles our state and our nation face. I look forward to meeting many more of you as we work together over the next 2 years.

Nate Nelson Chairman-Winnebago County Republican Party

## Campaigns How will you help out?

The campaign committee for the WCRP is planning for the 2016 national election. We are also working on the local elections. Kathie Boyette has agreed to help with the Ward Captain Program. She will be needing volunteers to be responsible for their voting ward. We need a ward chair for each voting ward in Winnebago County. Bob Beckstrom and Theresa Zoesch have agreed to help recruit volunteers to staff headquarters. This is a big job since headquarters is staffed by all volunteers. Yes, everyone you see working at WCRP headquarters is an unpaid volunteer! Bob and Theresa are constantly in need of volunteers to help fill in for a few hours a week. You will be given instructions and help when you volunteer. Staffing headquarters can be a very positive experience since so many wonderful people drop in to see us and talk politics. We need people for County Board, School Board, City Council and numerous other positions across the county. Please let us know if you know of someone or if you would be willing to help us recruit people for these positions. There are many other responsibilities for campaign. We are working on restarting education nights at headquarters. We will bring in speakers on topics of interest to help educate voters. We will also be working on setting up classes for potential candidates. There is so much going on, and we would love to have you join us and help us out. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact me at

#### campaign@winnebagogop.org.

Thank you, and be sure to vote Tuesday for Judge Daley!

Diane Malecki We are always looking for people willing to run for a political office. WCRP Campaign Chair



#### **Getting Ready for and walking in St. Pat's Parade**

At our recent Lincoln Day Dinner, the Winnebago County Republican Party awarded some amazing volunteers with the following awards.

Meritorious Service Award	Theresa Zoesch
Spirit Award	Ruth Streck
Go-Getter Award	John Hinz
Lincoln Award	Chris Klein

In addition we gave out pins to our 37 Campbell Award recipients from 2013. These are given to volunteers that have given more than 50 hours of volunteer time during that year. They are:

Bob Beckstrom	Patricia Landolt	Michael Schraa
Bob Bisby	Steve Landolt	Brian Smith
Barb Bisby	Greg Lipovac	Larry Smith
Nathan Borlee	Diane Malecki	Ruth Streck
JoAnn Borlee	Joe Malecki	Judy Twohig
Roland Buck	Barb Marin	Dennis Waddington
LeRoy Dahms	Nate Nelson	John Wieland
John Hinz	Frederick Oates	Ed Wilcox
Jeanne Horn	Rebecca Olson	Dave Wilding
Dean Kaufert	John Petek	Jan Wilding
Jenna Kienbaum	Mary Lynn Rasmussen	Jerry Zoellner
Chris Klein	William Rasmussen	Theresa Zoesch
Carol Knier		

We salute all of our volunteers. They have assisted the party by serving on the board, helping with parades, sitting at HQ to keep the doors open, helping with the Lincoln Day Dinner and Corn Roast, assisting with education nights and other special events, putting up and taking down yard signs, writing letters to the editor, etc.

### Are you a Republican?

You ARE a Republican if....

YOU BELIEVE the strength of our nation lies with the individual and that each person's dignity, freedom, ability and responsibility must be honored.

YOU BELIEVE in equal rights, equal justice and equal opportunity for all, regardless of race, creed, sex, age or disability.

YOU BELIEVE in free enterprise and encouraging individual initiative have brought this nation opportunity, economic growth and prosperity.

YOU BELIEVE government must practice fiscal responsibility and allow individuals to keep more of the money they earn.

YOU BELIEVE the proper role of government is to provide for the people only those critical functions that cannot be performed by individuals or private organizations and that the best government is that which governs least.

YOU BELIEVE the most effective, responsible and responsive government is government closest to the people. YOU BELIEVE Americans must retain the principles that have made us strong while developing new and innovative ideas to meet the challenges of changing times.

YOU BELIEVE Americans value and should preserve our national strength and pride while working to extend peace, freedom and human rights throughout the world.

If so, please believe the Republican Party is the best vehicle for translating these ideals into positive and successful principles of government.

#### Did you Know?

13th Amendment: Abolished Slavery 100% Republican Support 23% Democrat Support 14th Amendment: Gave Citizenship to Freed Slaves 94% Republican Support 0% Democrat Support 15th Amendment: Right to vote for All 100% Republican Support 0% Democrat Support

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## **Lincoln Day Dinner**

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Our Annual Lincoln Day Dinner was held on Friday evening, March 20th at the Best Western Hotel in downtown Oshkosh. Thanks to all the hard work from our new events chair Lynn Hinz and all her volunteers. They put together a great event. Current Wisconsin State

Supreme Court Justice Michael Gableman and newly elected US Congressman for Wisconsin's 6th District Glenn Grothman were the featured speakers. Thanks to all who came and enjoyed the meal and camaraderie of others.



## We need you! Your dues keep our headquarters open!

#### **Membership Levels**

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All donations and membership fees stay within Winnebago County. All donations other than your membership, if you wish, will be recognized in our next newsletter. Please check here  $\square$  if you would like to be recognized for your donation.

#### Click to join or donate online!

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Remember, while your donations to both the State and National Republican Parties are welcome, the only way to enjoy a membership is at the local level.

#### Please Join today.



Member FINRA & SIPC

18th District State Senator

# Rick Gudex

I would like to remind you to support your local Republican Party. It is through your support, both financially and through your volunteer efforts that we can continue to promote the Conservative Ideals of our Founding Fathers. Please consider joining or volunteering today.

Would you like to see the direction of the GOP change? Would you like it to stay the same? Would you like more done in Washington or Madison? Would you like them to do less? Facebook etc. helps us vent, and helps bring awareness, but if you want to make a difference, join and become an active member in your local GOP today! Join, attend meetings, voice your opinion, finally roll up your sleeves and commit to HELP!

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# $\star$ $\star$ $\star$ We need YOU! $\star$ $\star$ $\star$

We cannot be successful without your help. As indicated on the front page, there are many opportunities to help out. Please give of your time so we can be successful at local, state and national campaigns. Thank you in advance for your contributions of time and or money.

#### Keep in Touch!

Click on the appropriate icon at right to like us on Facebook, Follow us on Twitter or provide us with your e-mail address.



<u>EDUCATION NIGHTS</u> — Do you know of an expert who would like to present at headquarters for our education night? It can be on any subject and need not be political in nature. We would like to continue our Education Nights as a community outreach program. Please email <u>campaign@winnebagogop.org</u> with any ideas.

### Thanks to all who helped make the Lincoln Day Dinner such huge successes!

- Lynn Hinz
- Kathie Boyette
- Nate Nelson
- Judy Twohig

John Hinz

- Barb Bisby
- Bob Bisby
- John Wieland
- Theresa Zoesch
- Bisby
- and many others

### Thanks to all who walked in the St. Patrick's Day Parade

John Weiland, Joe Malecki, Jeanne Horn, John Petek, Ruth Streck, Nancy Olson, Bob and Barb Bisby, Representative Dave Murphy and his wife Lynn, Representative Michael Schraa, Bill and Sue Carpenter, Patricia and Steve Landoldt, Larry Smith, Nan Schwartz, Shanah Zasteral, Theresa Zoesch, Gail Schabloski, Lynn Thuren, Howard Johnson, Brian Smith, Diane Malecki and Barry Busby.

# Letters to the Editor

We have had quite a number of good letters submitted to the local papers. However, we need more writers to make sure we continually help get our opinions heard. Here are some links to some recent opinions expressed by our members. Consider being part of a team of letter writers. If interested, e-mail countmein@winnebagogop.org.

Some recent submissions: (Click to Read)

Vote for our Constitution

Bradley's partisanship disqualifies her for court

James Daley will uphold the law impartially

The following not by a member but needs to be read:

Retired justices support amendment

# **REMEMBER TO VOTE ON APRIL 7th**