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From the Editor

Welcome to the fall issue of the Lewis & Clark County Republican Central Committee (LCCRCC) newsletter, *Republican Record*! Autumn has officially set in and the LCCRCC is looking forward to upcoming events, like our Annual Chili Feed! We continue to meet the second Monday of each month in Helena, MT at the DoubleTree by Hilton, at 7:00 p.m. We have also established a new website, so please visit us at: www.lccrepublicans.com! If you have specific content to add to the newsletter, or if you wish to subscribe to the newsletter on a quarterly basis, contact the LCCRCC Executive Board members at mt.lccrcc@gmail.com.

Candidate Highlight

Hailey Oestreicher, Editor



Dave Galt—Candidate for Senate District 41

Galt was born and raised in Lewistown, Montana, where he learned the importance of honesty and a hard day's work. He had an extensive career in law enforcement before working as the Director for the Department of Transportation. Galt's commitment to public service was strengthened during his time as a lobbyist for conservative interests. He is now running to support the hard workers of Montana and their families.

Matt Olson—Candidate for Senate District 42

Olson is a family man and small business owner. As a fourth-generation Montanan raised in Ronan, Matt recognizes the value in Montana's great outdoors. After growing up with six sisters, Matt can handle just about anything the legislature throws at him! He and his wife are active in their church and the greater Helena community. Matt vows to champion fiscal responsibility, limited government, and the rights of the unborn.





Jill Sark—Candidate for House District 81

Sark is currently the Secretary of the Lewis and Clark Republican Central Committee and a dedicated Republican who is running for House District 81. Jill prides herself on being a mother of two sons and aims to be a strong new voice in the Montana State Legislature. Sark is a small-business advocate who is focused on upholding election integrity; she is also endorsed by the Montana Shooting Sports Association.

Upcoming Events



LCCRCC Annual Chili Feed! Saturday, October 22, 2022 4:00 PM at Knights of Columbus Hall (1867 Washington St., Helena, MT) Prizes for top 3 chili submissions!

Raffle (\$5 per ticket, \$10 for 25) and 50/50! Cost: \$5 for adults | \$3 for children 6-17 | 5 and under free!



40 Days for Life Midway Rally Sunday, October 16, 2022
6:00 PM at 1400 Stuart St. in Helena, MT Speakers: Robin Sertell & Matt Britton! Candlelight Vigil to be held at Planned Parenthood following keynote address.

Election Night Watch Party with Capital Sports Raffle Drawing Tuesday, November 8, 2022 6:00 PM at the Doubletree by Hilton \$5 per raffle ticket Prize: \$350 gift card to Capital Sports!



Ross Fitzgerald—State Representative for House District 17

Fitzgerald is running as an incumbent Representative for House District 17. He assumed office in 2017 and has served on the Fish, Wildlife and Parks Committee as the Chair, as well as the House Natural Resources Committee, and Business and Labor Committee. Fitzgerald is dedicated to representing the interests of his constituents and is looking forward to another productive legislative session.

Julie Dooling—Candidate for House District 70

Dooling is an incumbent for House District 70, having been elected in 2019. Julie takes her responsibilities in the Montana House of Representatives seriously and represents Republican, conservative values in the legislature. Dooling has served on the House Agriculture, Transportation, and State Administration committees and will remain a strong voice in the House when elected for this upcoming term.





Bob Leach—Candidate for House District 83

Leach is running for the House seat in District 83 to promote transparency and accountability within the Montana legislature. Leach is an experienced candidate who will work hard to fairly represent the views of his constituents while supporting industries that contribute to the growth of Montana's economy. Leach loves the great outdoors and wants to protect the rights of Montanans to freely enjoy the Big Sky State.

Kaitlyn Ruch—Candidate for House District 84

Ruch vows to bring her full energy and attention to the needs of her constituents when elected as the Representative for House District 84. Kaitlyn works as the Deputy Communications Director for Congressman Matt Rosendale and manages the Montana GOP office. She values family, faith, and freedom and is an outspoken pro-life advocate likely to designate family-first policies as a top priority in the legislature.



The LCCRCC would like to extend a huge <u>THANK YOU</u> to everyone who helped the Summer Activities committee in making summer events successful!

Abortion: A Woman's Right or Human Sacrifice?

Zack Wirth, Columnist

I fail to understand the difference between "human sacrifice," as practiced in antiquity, and the practice of abortion today. Democrats support the availability of abortion as part of the DNC platform and abortion activists call for federal funding of abortions in sign-carrying demonstrations across the nation nearly every day.

Infanticide has roots in history: Harrod "put to the sword " male children under two years of age, in an event known as the "Slaughter of the Innocents" to eliminate a future competitor, Jesus. The Aztec civilization frequently tore out beating hearts of children as sacrifices to deities. Now, Democrats want you to believe that it is acceptable to sacrifice the life of a human child in the name of women's health. As Republicans, we need to call this for what it is—outrageous!

In promoting abortions, Democrats act like "little gods" when they advocate for the murder of unborn fetuses. Even in Helena, Montana, we see billboards on the sides of US Hwy 12 shedding light on the violence of trapping animals, but rarely do we see pro-life signs in the windows of our neighbors. Conservative values should shine as a beacon of hope in promoting the pro-life agenda, and Republicans should not be afraid to speak out against abortion.

The recent SCOTUS decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson* overturned *Roe v. Wade*, signaling a shift in how our Supreme Court decides on the issue of abortion. The *Dobbs* decision sent the abortion debate back to the states and, rather than fully striking down abortion throughout the nation, simply upheld states' rights as granted in the U.S. Constitution. Now it is in the hands of state legislatures to decide whether abortion will be legal in their respective states.

I fully support all legislation to make Montana an abortion-free state. Montanans have already led the nation in having a balanced budget and, believe it or not, governmental efficiency. We should not be fooled by the misdirection of the Democrat party and, instead, we should elect conservative legislators that will stand up for the rights of every Montana citizen, even those in the womb. We should also support judges who will uphold the Constitution by securing "life" and "liberty" for all. Most importantly, we should learn from the mistakes of history. We cannot stand by and allow our children to be sacrificed on the alter of convenience!