



Republican Record

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From the Editor

Welcome to 2022's first issue of the Lewis & Clark County Republican Central Committee (LCCRCC) newsletter, *Republican Record*! The LCCRCC is excited to get to work in 2022 helping Republican candidates secure victory in upcoming elections! The Executive Board has been actively planning for this year's Lincoln-Reagan dinner, which is the Committee's largest annual fundraiser (more details in the "Upcoming Event" section, below). The LCCRCC aims to build a strong presence in our community, which is highlighted by this year's theme: "One precinct at a time!" With that, we look forward to a continuation of the great turnout we have seen at our monthly meetings on the second Monday of each month in Helena, MT at the DoubleTree by Hilton, at 7:00 p.m.

We hope you enjoy the newsletter and share it with others. If you have specific content to add to the newsletter, please contact the LCCRCC Executive Board members at mt.lccrcc@gmail.com. Happy Valentine's Day!

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MTGOP Winter Kickoff 2022

The Montana GOP held its 2022 Winter Kickoff Friday, January 28th and Saturday, January 29th at the Delta Colonial Hotel in Helena, Montana. The LCCRCC would like to say thank you to everyone who volunteered at and attended the Winter Kickoff.

On Friday, candidates participated in the Republican Candidate Filing Event! Then, U.S. Senator Steve Daines welcomed attendees at the Kickoff Luncheon. Following several informative workshops, banquet guests heard from U.S. Congressman Matt Rosendale, RNC National Committee Co-Chair Tommy Hicks Jr., and the ever-hilarious keynote speaker: Congresswoman Kat Cammack.


Saturday provided more opportunities for learning after a delicious breakfast. The Winter Kickoff was a great start to a victorious campaign season!

Upcoming Event!

Lewis & Clark County Republican Central Committee's

Lincoln-Reagan Dinner

Saturday, March 26, 2022

Taking Back America...

One Precinct at a Time!

Best Western Premier Ballroom
835 Great Northern Blvd. | Helena, MT

\$75 PER TICKET
(ticket sales TBA)

5:30 pm – Doors Open
6:30 pm – Plated Dinner Served
6:45 pm – Keynote Speaker: Cascade County Sheriff, Jessie Slaughter
7:15 pm – Live and Silent Auctions
Cash Bar Available!

LCCRCC Update: Precinct Captain Filing Deadline Approaching

Precinct Captains hold elected positions! All precinct captains must submit their filing forms to the Lewis and Clark County Elections Department by 5:00 p.m. on March 14, 2022. For more information about this upcoming filing deadline, please contact the LCCRCC Executive Board or the County Elections Office (elections@lccountymt.gov).

BLAST from the Past

Zack Wirth, Columnist

Path to Capital City, Montana

The election of 1894 was held, in part, to determine the location of Montana's capital. This election quickly became one of the most contentious in Montana's History.

Achieving statehood in November 1889, Montanans then turned to the task of electing a capital city. Nominations included: Great Falls, Anaconda, Butte, Boulder, Helena, Deer Lodge, and Bozeman. Although Anaconda and Helena became the top favorites, neither city achieved a clear victory when Montanans voted on the seven choices during the 1892 Presidential Election.

A runoff election was then scheduled for 1894.

The 1894 Capital Election pitted the Copper Kings, Marcus Daly and W.A. Clark, against each other.



Capitol building construction (1910)

Over \$56 per voter was spent, with Daly trying to convince voters that Anaconda should be the capital and Clark arguing in favor of Helena. "Anaconda for Capital" pamphlets referred to Helena as "A City of Snobs." Pro-Helena clubs argued that Anaconda was a "one-man town." In total, Clark spent \$500,000 and Daley spent \$2.5 million.

In the end, Helena won the Capital Election by only 1,905 votes. The following celebration in Helena attracted over 5,000 revelers and Clark picked up the bar tab (over \$30,000). Thus, Helena became the permanent capital of Montana.

take **5** 2022 Lincoln-Reagan Dinner Ways to Help

In a slight deviation from the typical "take 5" column, the LCCRCC would like to emphasize 5 ways in which you could greatly contribute towards the success of the upcoming Lincoln-Reagan dinner, scheduled for Saturday, March 26, 2022. Please take a few moments to read about areas in which you could help! Contact mt.lccrcc@gmail.com with any questions or to sign up as a volunteer.

- 1) Day-of Volunteer:** Day-of volunteers will be responsible for decorating the ballroom, registration, nametags, and managing payments from attendees. We are also in need of people to lead us in prayer and the Pledge!
- 2) Outreach Volunteer:** Outreach volunteers will be responsible for contacting candidates and potential sponsors to inform them of opportunities to campaign or advertise at the event!
- 3) Media Volunteer:** Media volunteers will be responsible for working with the Executive Board to advertise the event online, on-air, and in-person!

4) Auctions Volunteer: Auctions volunteers will be responsible for gathering live and silent auction items, ensuring both auctions run smoothly, and contacting winners after the event!

5) Clean-up Volunteer: Clean-up volunteers will be responsible for quick tear-down after the event and transporting decorations back to the LCCRCC storage unit for future use.

