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Chairman's Comments



Fellow Republicans — As we move into the Spring season our political endeavors here in the county are heating up. All of our Republican candidates are working hard to earn your vote, so they may work to enhance the quality of life in our Porter County communities. Whether it is enjoying summer events at the Urschel pavilion while dining outside at one of Valparaiso's lovely restaurants or watching the fourth of July Parade in Portage or simply driving to work each day, we are privileged to enjoy safe communities where people know and respect each other. Local businesses are thriving in most of our communities and necessary public services are operating openly and well. Over the last decade our success under Republican leadership shines.

Unfortunately, we do not have to look far to see what poor leadership can do to a community. All you hear and see in nearby Democrat run cities is crime, corruption and homeless encampments. Those neighborhoods are a testament to the failed policies and programs promoted by the left. Those policies rely on high taxation of hardworking citizens to subsidize the inertia and immorality of many non-productive takers. They destroy the quality of life for their residents, short change those in genuine need and drive hardworking people out. Their solution to local problems is always the same -- raise taxes and give more money away.

Our municipal elections are critical to address these issues. They set the tone for Police, Fire, Parks, Public Works, Water and Sewer services, and set budgets and manage our tax dollars. Sound decision making in those areas is critical to where we live and how we live. The role of government must be to ensure provision of our basic services, especially public safety first.

Our opponents see things differently. Rather than limiting government to providing necessary public services for all residents, Democrats focus their efforts on subsidizing those who often choose not to work or who promote liberal causes. While public assistance to those in need is a valid governmental purpose, in a free society, it comes after general public needs are met.

Our opponents want to upend the structure of our democratic republic and focus first on social issues with taxpayer money. We must continue to support Republican principles and fight against the progressive, "woke" left wing loons who would turn our wonderful communities into the disastrous street slums we see every night on the six o'clock news.

Quality leadership makes a difference. Success for our team will take all of us working in concert to get the vote out and continue to put Republican leadership in office. With your commitment and help, we will succeed. We are freedom loving, patriotic citizens who want to live in an America that allows its citizenry to pursue their own goals and success independently, free of government overreach and interference -- an America that is governed by the Rule of Law and that promotes economic freedom and personal opportunity. Join us!

God Bless all of you and God Bless America!

Michael Simpson, Chairman
Porter County Republican Party

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2023 Lincoln Day Dinner

WELCOME SENATOR MIKE BRAUN!

PORTER COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY
Lincoln Day Dinner
 FEATURING U.S. SENATOR MIKE BRAUN, KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Sand Creek Country Club
 1001 Sand Creek Dr.
 Chesterton, IN

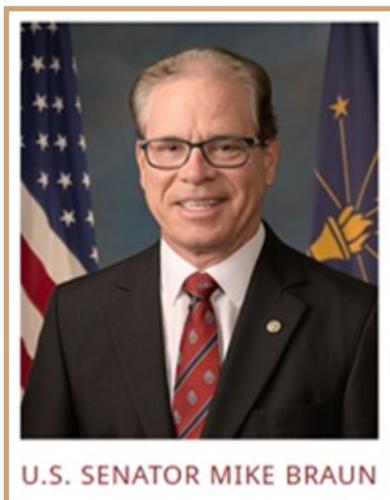
Doors Open at 6:30 PM
 Dinner and Program 7:00 PM
 DINNER COST: \$65 PER PERSON

VIP Ticketed Reception
 at 5:30 PM and
 Dinner/Program
 VIP RECEPTION TICKET: \$300



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 MONTH DAY YEAR

RSVP BY MARCH 3RD - TICKETS ARE LIMITED
 FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT KENARD TAYLOR AT (219) 242-1570



U.S. SENATOR MIKE BRAUN

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Upcoming Events and Opportunities

REPUBLICAN DISTRICT MEETINGS



Valpo Republican Party Open Meeting
March 23, 2023
5:30-8:30pm
Buffalo Wild Wings
212 E. Lincolnway Valparaiso



Portage Republican Party
Tuesday March 21, 2023
6:00pm
Gyros Bar and Grill
Portage



South County Republicans
March 22, 2023
6:30 p.m.
Union Township office – Suite E
330 US 30 West, Valparaiso

PORTER COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY MEETINGS

SAVE THE DATES!!!

MARCH 16, 2023

PORTER COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY
LINCOLN DAY DINNER
Sand Creek Country Club 6:30 pm
Guest Speaker
United States Senator Mike Braun



SEPTEMBER 28, 2023

PORTER COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY
REAGAN DAY DINNER
Dunes Pavillion, Indiana State Park
Keynote Speaker
Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch



Honoring Our Citizen Leaders

THANK YOU ASSISTANT CHIEF OF POLICE UZELAC !

Please join us in congratulating Assistant Chief of Police Ted Uzelac on his twenty-fifth anniversary with the Portage Police Department. Asst. Chief Uzelac started his law enforcement career in 1993 but came to the Portage Police Department in 1998. Since then, he has served as a Patrol Officer, Patrol Supervisor, Detective, and now Assistant Chief. Throughout his career, Asst. Chief Uzelac has been a Field Training Officer, Arson Investigator, Firearms Instructor, Sniper Instructor, as well as a member of the department's SWAT Team.



During his tenure, Uzelac served as a Portage City Councilman. He began his term in mid-2007 to complete the term of the late Dave Highlands (R), District 3 Councilman. Ted served from 2007-2016. At times, as the lone Republican serving on the council, Uzelac would stand firm on the issues that mattered most and defended the voice of the Portage community. Uzelac also received a Purple Heart during a ceremony in February 2010. Ted is a U.S. Army veteran, who was wounded in Iraq in 2005. He was presented with the honor by Major L. Tammie Duckworth.

“I have been asked, ‘What has been your most satisfying part of public service?’ Believe it or not, the answer to that question is more complicated than first appears. You see, I have served as a soldier, a police officer, an elected official, and hopefully, as a good neighbor. Each of those experiences provides its own rewards, so to answer accurately I had to find a common point of satisfaction. When looked at through this prism, my answer became simplified to one word, peace. While serving, I have tried to identify and remove chaos. Whether that chaos was someone's flooded street, irresponsible government spending, conflicting ordinances, a domestic disturbance, a burglary, or even in war. In every instance, I wanted to remove chaos, create order, and experience the peace that comes with that condition. So, to me, I am most satisfied with the peace that comes when one inserts order to supplant chaos.” Asst. Chief Ted Uzelac.

Thank you, Asst. Chief Uzelac for your many years of dedication to the Portage Police department and to the citizens of Portage.



Porter County Republican Women's Club Steps Up



From left to right: Melissa Weidenbach, 1st Vice President, PCRW, Sovilla Mennen, 1st Vice President, IFRW (State), JenaRae Maldonado, President, PCRW, Charrisa Childers, Treasurer, PCRW

The Porter County Republican Women's Club (PCRW) participated in the Indiana Federation of Republican Women's 2023 Spring Training convention on Saturday, March 4th at Greenwood, Indiana. The club chartered in June, 2021 and has been steadily growing its membership each year! Attending the convention were Jena-Rae Maldonado, PCRW President; Melissa Weidenbach, PCRW 1st Vice President, and Charrisa Childers, PCRW Treasurer. The PCRW women were recognized for their great efforts in promoting the Republican Party platform, Caring for America initiatives and membership growth by receiving the Sapphire Award and a monetary gift, second only to the Diamond Award winners in the Federation.

The PCRW Club is one of 40 active clubs statewide representing nearly half of the 92 counties in the state federation. The IFRW and NFRW prepares women to run for office, coordinate campaign events, and champion community initiatives that promote Republican principles.

Hard teamwork and passion for their community steers this women's club like no other. With membership more than doubling this year, the PCRW is off to a great start for 2023. Members meet on a monthly basis and offer periodic social events throughout the year. This allows non-members the experience of meeting with state dignitaries, public officials, and community leaders. For more information on the next opportunity to connect with this remarkable group of women, please send your inquiries to hello@pcrw.club.



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Biden Tells Residents Of East Palestine To Give Up Drinking Water For Lent

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Ukraine and a photo op with Ukrainian President Zelenskyy, some are pressing Biden on the environmental crisis in East Palestine. He finally broke his silence on the issue to reporters by suggesting those affected just give up drinking water for Lent.

"Listen, folks, Lent is here. Perfect timing! Not a joke!" said the President in response to a reporter. "If you're concerned about chemicals or whatever in the drinking water, just give up drinking water for Lent! Simple as that! Don't drink it! What a great opportunity to avoid toxic water while observing Lent!"

Biden then smiled to himself as he was pleased with the brilliant solution he had just offered.

Sources close to Biden say he also plans to give up something for Lent, although no one knows what it is since he said he plans to give up "flibberblorfzeprefler."

"That's right, 40 days without one single sniff of flibberblorfzeprefler!" said Biden. "If I can go without that for that long, you can go without water!"

At publishing time, the President also pledged aid to residents of East Palestine as long as they join the Ukrainian military.



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Man Identifying As 6-Year-Old Crushes Game-Winning Homer In Tee-Ball Championship

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AUBURN, CA - Local 36-year-old man Nate Ripley, who identifies as a six-year-old, "absolutely crushed" a game-winning homer at a local tee-ball game and won the championship for his team Monday evening, reports confirmed.

Ripley reportedly walked up to the plate in the bottom of the 6th, pointed his bat toward the left-field wall looming 130 feet in the distance, and let her rip, sending the ball rocketing over the fence and into a parking lot as the fans cheered and his coach yelled out, "Attaboy, Nate! Good job, bud!"

His team, the Lil' Padres, attempted to hoist him up on their shoulders in celebration of their great victory over the favored Tiny Tigers, but were unable to pick up the large 230-pound man.

Ripley's feat comes at the end of a momentous tee-ball season, in which the self-identified six-year-old absolutely shattered every record set prior to that point. With a 1.000 batting average, 52 home runs, and an incredible showing at first base, second base, shortstop, third base, and pitcher, the man is being called an inspiration to other six-year-olds everywhere.

"I'm just proud to be here with my team. It's all for the love of the game," an emotional Ripley told reporters while enjoying an orange slice and juice box after the championship. "I couldn't have done it without my team."



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Lightfoot Loss Blamed On Rampant Murderphobia

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CHICAGO, IL — Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot lost her bid for reelection this week in what Lightfoot and other critics are calling a blatant example of the rampant murderphobia that still exists among residents of the city.

"Murderphobia is still an unfortunate reality here in Chicago, and it is the reason I was not reelected as this city's mayor," said Lightfoot to reporters. "People were so busy being afraid of being shot in the face by gang members that they forgot about what an amazing mayor I was. Let me be clear: murderphobia is racist. Murderphobia is bigoted. Murderphobia is NOT ok. Full stop."

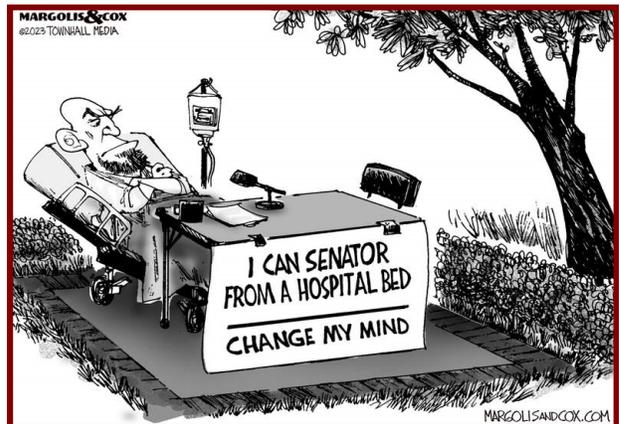
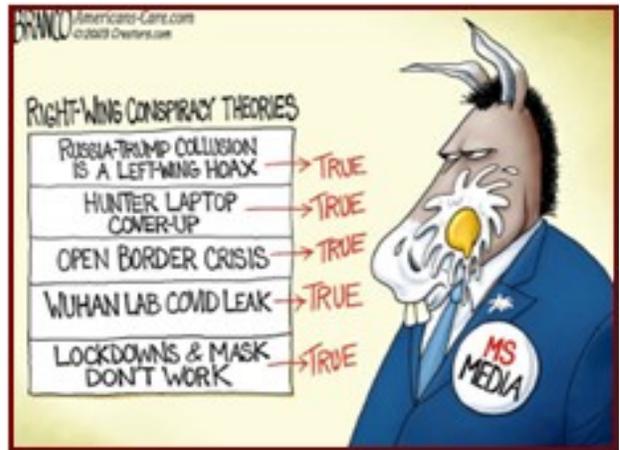
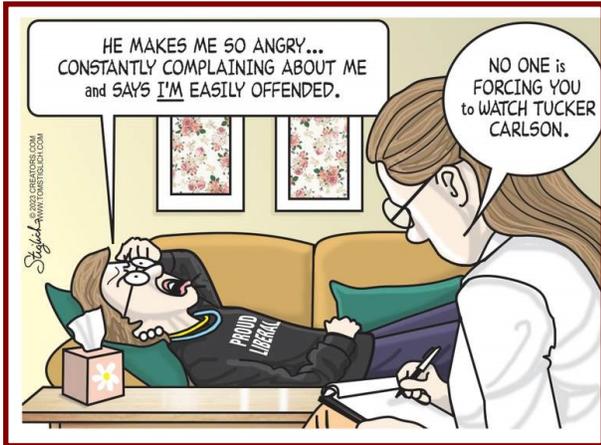
Lightfoot has pledged to spend the next few years fighting against murderphobia in all its forms, as well as taxes-phobia, regulations-phobia, and stabbed-in-the-neck-by-a-homeless-guy-phobia.

"My unfair and tragic election loss because of bigotry is a sad day for Chicago," Lightfoot continued as she dodged several stray bullets that whizzed over her head. "And all because of fear. So sad."

At publishing time, Chicago's new mayor had vowed to fight against Chicago's policephobia.



On the Lighter Side . . .





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