

# FDL COUNTY GOP NEWS

### **Events:**

Monday May 9th @ 8 am

### Coffee & Conversation with the Chairman:

Our first meeting was a success. Thank you to all who participated. I look forward to the next one!

Friday, Saturday, & Sunday May 20-22nd

#### **RPW Convention**

Madison Marriott West 1313 John Q Hammons Drive

Middleton, WI 53562

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2022-republican-party-of-wisconsin-state-convention-tickets-292796651667

Wednesday May 25 @ 6:30 pm

# Monthly Members Meeting:

Waupun Wisconsin

Details TBD.



# **Ripon Meeting:**

Ripon (the birthplace of the Republican party) is back in the dynamics of Fond du lac County GOP politics. The greatest challenge I face as a Chairman is how to unite the county and include all 100,000 citizens in our vision for the future. The idea of rotating the monthly members meeting around seems to be a success.

The meeting had a healthy turnout. The mixture of active, faithful members balanced well with those who were experiencing their first GOP meeting. By the end of the evening, the party had grown, and the enthusiasm was tangible.

Pastor Joshua Sherman, a local pastor in Ripon, lead the meeting with a prayer, the pledge, and some thoughts from our platform. The executive team gave their reports of accomplishments that had happened over the last month, and we heard from Sheriff Ryan Waldschmidt, Senator Joan Ballweg, and Representative Jon Plummer.

#### Birthplace of the Republican Party



# Birthplace of The Republican Party:

The Radical Republicans (later also known as "Stalwarts"[2][3]) were a faction of American politicians within the Republican Party from the founding of the Republican Party in 1854 (before the American Civil War) until the end of Reconstruction in the Compromise of 1877. They called themselves "Radicals" because of their goal of immediate, complete, permanent eradication of slavery, without compromise. They were opposed during the War by the contemporary moderate Republicans (led by President Abraham Lincoln), and by the pro-slavery and anti-Reconstruction Democratic Party as well as liberals in the Northern United States during Reconstruction. Radicals led efforts after the war to establish civil rights for former slaves and fully implement emancipation

### Wikipedia



## A Personal Thought from Chairman Bachleitner about the nature of the meeting.

While researching and seeking counsel about the position of a Chairman, I remember something Representative Jeremy Theisfeld said to me: "The County GOP Party should reflect its elected officials." I have given this much thought as I make plans for our future.

At the meeting in Ripon, I saw the wisdom of those words with my own eyes. The citizens of Ripon were able to meet with, talk to, and ask questions of the men and women who represented them. I saw the people connect with their officials, but I also saw these officials connect with and get to know the people they served.

Sheriff Waldschmidt began his time by noting that there were a lot of new faces in the room, so he gave them more background about who he was and why he sought the office. Because of the new redistricting maps, Representative Jon Plummer is now Ripon's state rep. and had the opportunity to introduce himself and speak to them about his work in Madison. Senator Ballweg communicated all the work she has been doing to fight back against big government and Tony Evers.

Thank you, Mr. Theisfeld, for the words of wisdom. I look forward to being a conduit between the people and their elected servants, and I see its value.

# THE REPUBLICAN PARTY OF WISCONSIN INVITES YOU TO ATTEND ITS 2022 STATE CONVENTION

One of the most exciting events a GOP member can attend is the annual State Convention. And this year the Convention will be "electric" as we prepare to head into the midterm elections in November. Because our primary isn't until August, candidates will be bringing their best campaign efforts to Middleton.

Add to that the opportunities to network, learn, and engage, and you will come away realizing you have participated in extremely positive experiences. All of it together will move your knowledge and enthusiasm for our elections and future work as a party in exciting directions.

Although I encourage you to try to attend as much of the Convention as you can, I especially would like to see you at the Saturday sessions as this is where the "work" of the state party is done. In Fond du Lac County we have 90 Delegates, and all of you are eligible to gather in our County Delegation area and vote as votes

are called for - it's your voice. To me, words can hardly describe the excitement and feelings of "connectedness" with all of Wisconsin Republicans

as I listen, learn, and participate in the

party

processes. Each County is unique and brings its own enthusiasm and concerns to the table.

Speakers bring so much understanding and expertise to share with attendees, and they remind us of the importance of our work, not just in Wisconsin, but nationally.

"Meet and Greets" are exhilarating and "Hospitality" Suites offer opportunities for deeply interesting and informative conversations with folks who are just as excited about our work as you are. I'd also like to tell you about a truly wonderful tradition on Sunday. The Prayer Breakfast is the 18th Annual this year and brings leaders and members together for prayer, reflections, and musical entertainment. The focus is on what matters most - family, friends, and faith.

I could add much more to this piece, but I will simply close by encouraging you to join me at the State GOP Convention! It's a blast!

All information regarding the "details" are included on the web at <a href="https://www.wisgop.org">www.wisgop.org</a>.

### by Kim McCollum FDL County Treasurer

Fri, May 20, 2022, 4:00 PM – Sun, May 22, 2022, 10:30 AM CDT Madison Marriott West 1313 John Q Hammons Drive Middleton, WI 53562



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#### **Note for the Future:**

### Fond Du Lac County Lincoln / Reagan / Trump Event coming in September 2022

This last week Greenlake County GOP held a fantastic event. Chairman Mckelvey and his team have set the bar high for us and given me a great example of what we should achieve. I am grateful to have not only been there but to have helped in a small way. I need everyone's help on this! Senator Feyen has already given us great insight by guiding the section of a month to hold the lunch. Others have also weighed in and brought thoughtful suggestions. If you would like to be on the committee which helps put this event on. Please get in touch with Chairman Bachleitner at 920-238-0104. Thank you, and I look forward to an event we can all be proud to participate in!



### **Questions, Comments, Concerns:**

Call: Chairman Bachleitner: 920-238-0104

or

Write: P.O. Box 665 Fond du Lac, WI 54936

\*At the meeting on Wednesday, April 25th, I appealed for donors to step forward and help me put out this newsletter. This newsletter is the best way to ensure every member will receive communication from the Party. I want to thank the men and women who have made this newsletter possible. Your gift is the reason our Party will keep getting stronger. If you would like to help with the newsletter, the cost is about \$100 to send per month.