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County Office Grand Opening is August 13th

By Timothy Bachleitner, Republican Party of Fond du Lac County Chair

The calls began like a flurry at the beginning of June with a consistent theme about the Fond du Lac County headquarters. There was a fair amount of frustration and even some down-right anger that we were so unorganized as not to have this essential tool for a county party. At first, I did not fully understand all of the energy surrounding this topic; however, now that the Republican Party of Fond du Lac County has an office location, I get it.

The power of this space struck me when I walked into the new office at 76 S. Macy Street in Fond du Lac. Dave Seif and the volunteer team transformed our new space into a hub of conservative ideas and a central gathering place for like-minded Republican citizens. I

stood there with a grateful heart for:

- The generous owners who provided the space.
- The volunteers who prepared it.
- Office manager Dave Seif for his vision.
- Party members who have a place to connect.
- The candidates who now have a powerful tool with which to win seats.

I had the chance to wash the windows and do some cleaning at the new office. I was there by myself as a man drove by, looking intently inside. Minutes later, he came in and asked for some yard signs. We had a great discussion and he explained he was chair of the Republican Party of Fond du Lac County in the 1990s. He was thankful for all the hard work he saw and

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"We in America do not have Government by the majority. We have Government by the majority who participate."

— Attributed to
Thomas Jefferson

Let Your Voice Be Heard August 9th

It is that time we have all been waiting for — the time to use the sacred pen to cast our vote and select the next group of men and women to represent us in government. We have seen the commercials, heard the speeches, and driven by enough signs. Now we vote! On August 9th, we head to the polls to support the candidates that best reflect our values. And on August 10th, we unite behind the will of the majority to take back Madison.



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The Rock Golf Club to Host August 25th Meeting Featuring WI Supreme Court Justice Daniel Kelly

The Rock Golf Club, 700 County Park Road in Waupun, will be the gathering place for our August 25th monthly meeting. We are grateful for Caleb Glewen for offering this beautiful meeting space at no charge. Please patronize the Rock Golf Club and tell them that you appreciate their generosity when you do!

We will come together at 6:30 pm with inspirational music, a focus on the Republican party platform, and a time of prayer. Chair Timothy Bachleitner will offer highlights from the Fond du Lac County Republican Party since the last meeting and invite executive committee members to report.



Justice Daniel Kelly will speak at the August meeting.

Daniel Kelly (Wisconsin Supreme Court 2016-2020) will discuss the Constitution and the importance of the April 2023 Wisconsin Supreme Court election. It will be an exceptional evening; we hope to see you in Waupun.

Supreme Court Declares Ballot Boxes Illegal

By Kim McCollum, Republican Party of Fond du Lac County Treasurer

On Friday, July 8, 2022, Wisconsin's Supreme Court issued a 4-3 ruling that deems unmanned absentee ballot drop boxes illegal under Wisconsin election law. A voter must return his ballot either through the United States Postal Service or in person to the voter's municipal clerk or a designated alternate site.

Although Wisconsin law sets forth this secure way of voting, the pandemic gave groups a chance to institute illegal voting methods. Statewide, people watched illegal activities and, although they were shocked and angry, it didn't appear that anything could be done to stop the

fraud. At least not for the 2020 election.

This ballot box ruling is definitely a step in the right direction in an ongoing fight to end fraudulent practices like those employed in the 2020 Presidential election.

An appeals court temporarily blocked the order for contests in February, and the ban was in effect for local elections in April. And now, one month before our swing state's primary elections on August 9, this ruling is seen as a huge victory in conservative circles.

In *Teigen vs. WEC 2022 WI 64*, Supreme Court Justice Rebecca Bradley wrote for the conservative majority, referring to the state statute governing ballot returns. "The key phrase is 'in person' and it must be assigned its natural meaning. In person 'denotes' bodily 'presence' and the concept of doing something personally." Chief Justice Annette Ziegler, Justice Patience Roggensack, and Justice Brian Hagedorn joined Justice Rebecca Bradley in writing a concurrence.

Justice Ann Walsh Bradley wrote a dissenting opinion joined by Justice Rebecca Dallet and Justice Jill Karofsky.



The Wisconsin Supreme Court ruled on July 8th, 2022 that absentee ballot drop boxes – like the ones used in the 2020 presidential election – do not follow election statutes and can no longer be used.

Thank You to Our Volunteers and Sponsors!

Timothy Bachleitner; Judy Beilke; Noreen Dux; Jeff & Kathy Manlove;
Kim McCollum; Joan Mrazek; Jeff & Rhonda Pratsch; Marv Rach;
Beth & Dave Seif; Cathie Seffern; Ann Wentworth Helped Clean and Organize GOP Office

Ben Eilbes Provided Office Building Maintenance

Youth Crew: Adriel; Andrew; Asher; Darius; Junior; Justice; Matthias;
Sandra; Simon; Willow; and Zander with Timothy Bachleitner Helped Move Office Furniture



By Timothy Bachleitner, Republican Party of Fond du Lac County Chair

The Lincoln Day event tradition brings strength to conservative politics in our county. It will be a day to be inspired, but also a day of making plans to secure our country's future. Doors will open at 10 am for a social time with the program starting promptly at 11 am.

Be a part of a Great Republican Resurgence.
Go beyond what you thought was achievable.

Think about sponsoring a table and bringing those in your life that you know need to see how strong the conservative movement is.

Make an extra donation so that the Republican Party of Fond du Lac County has the resources to see conservatives elected in every position.

Come to the Lincoln Day Luncheon, knowing that you are an essential part of this event.

Tickets, Sponsorships & Advertising Opportunities

Abraham Lincoln Sponsor\$750
Table for eight; full-page ad; top placement on the sponsor list, logo on slide show/website.

Ronald Reagan Sponsor\$650
Table for eight; half-page ad; placement on the sponsor list, logo on slide show/website.

George W. Bush Sponsor\$550
Table for eight, quarter-page ad, logo on slide show/website.

Scott Walker Sponsor\$350
Four seats at a table, eighth-page ad, logo on slide show/website.

Dessert Sponsor\$1,000
Signage at the event, full-page ad, logo on slide show/website.

Raffle Prize Sponsor\$100
Sponsor a raffle prize with your \$100 contribution. Includes logo on slide show and website.

Memorial sponsorships or honorariums
If you would like your sponsorship made in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please contact editor@fdlgop.com.

Create your own sponsorship level
If you have a different idea, please contact editor@fdlgop.com. We'd be grateful to design a sponsorship level to meet your needs!

Lincoln Day Luncheon Ticket\$30
Choice of pork or chicken entree.

College Student Sponsorship\$25
Donate towards the cost of a student's ticket.

Pastor Doug Hanback; Sam Kaufman; Meribah Bachleitner Monthly Meeting Participants
Caleb Glewen, The Rock Golf Club Provided Meeting Space for August Meeting

Tonya Alling; Timothy Bachleitner; Barb Benkoski; Pam Behnke;
Sanna & Andy Huebschmann; Joy & Mike Koepke; Matt Lemke;
Kim McCollum; Joan Mrazek; Lisa Rollin Lincoln Day Luncheon Committee

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Joy & Mike Koepke Lincoln Day Sponsors

As our FDL County GOP gains momentum, we encourage you to "bring what you've got and put it in the pot" because – as the "Stone Soup" folk tale teaches us – "every little bit makes the big pot better."

Volunteers and sponsors will be recognized in the newsletter.

Share Your Time

Staffing the Office
Distribute campaign info, yard and field signs, make phone calls and answer phones.

Planning for Lincoln Day
Seek sponsorships and ads, prepare decorations, recruit attendees and help plan the Lincoln Day Luncheon.

Share Your Talents

Researcher
Perform research for elected officials and candidates.

Public Relations
Write press releases and content for the newsletter, website and social media.

Share Your Treasure

Newsletter Sponsor ...\$300
Covers the cost of newsletter production for one month. Includes one full-page ad. Content must be consistent with Republican values and approved by editor and chair.

August Monthly Meeting Snacks Sponsor\$200
With a beautiful venue at The Rock Golf Club and Justice Daniel Kelly speaking, we'd like to provide some light hors d'oeuvres. Please contact Tonya Alling at 920-229-5531 or editor@fdlgop.com if you would like to help.

Website Sponsor\$60
One month of fees to maintain the www.fdlgop.com website.

Office Supplies
Printer ink, paper, envelopes, stamps, etc.



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Please Join Us!

August 9 Primary Election

August 13 Campaign HQ
Grand Opening

August 25 Monthly Meeting
6:30 pm, The Rock Golf Club
700 County Park Road, Waupun

*Wisconsin Supreme Court
Justice Daniel Kelly (2016-2020)
will be the featured speaker.
See page 2 for details.*

Sept. 10 . . . Lincoln Day Luncheon
Great Hall, Ripon College
11 am to 2 pm
See page 3 for details.

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be added to our email list.

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Three easy ways to join!

- 1) Visit www.fdlgop.com > join the party.
- 2) Download and print a .pdf membership form or pick one up at the office. Make checks payable to "FDL GOP" and send to PO Box 665 Fond du Lac, WI 54936. Include your address, phone and email with the check.
- 3) Scan the QR code below.

Encourage others to join the Fond du Lac County Republican Party. Invite them to a meeting or ask them to volunteer!

Money raised will be used to promote Republican values and ideals in Fond du Lac County.



Annual dues are \$25. Join thru December for just \$15 (or \$10 at the HQ).

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knew the dedication it takes to bring together a headquarters and a healthy party. Imagine his surprise when the window washer stuck out his hand and introduced himself as the new Fond du Lac County GOP chair.

I can't thank Dave Seif enough for his zeal and stewardship over this critical tool for our county party. Just the other day he sent me a photo of the schedule for the fully-staffed headquarters starting on day one.

Grand Opening Celebration August 13th

On August 13th, we will celebrate with an open house from 9 am to 3 pm. Ron Johnsons' campaign team has reached out and helped get the ball rolling. Senator Johnson will join us, along with other notable personalities. Once we have confirmed the Senator's arrival time, we'll send an email and post it on Facebook. Call the campaign office at 920.558.5041 if you're not online. Please celebrate with us!

If you expect something massive and glorious as in the former days when our party was at



Information about candidates and elected Republicans can be found at campaign headquarters, 76 S. Macy Street, Fond du Lac.

the peak of strength during Presidential years, we don't want to disappoint you. It is a humble beginning sort of place. We are grateful for the chance to begin rebuilding, but we must be wise and start reasonably.

However, it is not short of power or of the patriotic republican spirit that has existed at any point in our great history. I hope you will find your way to our new headquarters to see how far we've come. I think you'll come away feeling some of the excitement and passion that the new space has ignited in me.