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We are the bricks that will build the Red Brick Wall called Wisconsin against the blue wave.

From Governor Walker

Let's Work Harder than Ever to Keep Moving Wisconsin Forward By Scott Walker

It was great to see many of you at the Republican Party of Wisconsin convention. Thank you for your continued support – but, we are not done yet. That is why we started to outline our bold agenda to help Wisconsin win the 21st century. We must build on our conservative reforms and continue to lower the tax burden, provide a great education, and keep Wisconsin a great place to work and raise a family.

However, the Left is filled with anger and hatred over our bold reforms and our new ambitious agenda. Because of their motivation, this election will be our toughest race yet. To counter their efforts, we must respond with optimism and organization. We need conservatives like you to share our positive story and optimistic vision for Wisconsin.

Last month, the power of our grassroots was on full display. Because of you, Lt. Gov. Rebecca Kleefisch and I turned in nearly 20,000 nomination signatures (we only needed 2,000 each) to get on the ballot this fall. We showed the liberal special interests that Wisconsin conservatives are building a red brick wall to turn back the blue wave.

But, our work is not done. We need to continue this momentum into the summer and all the way to election day. We need your help at events in your community. We need help at 4th of July parades, county fairs and we need your help writing letters to the editor in your local paper.

Together, we can keep moving Wisconsin forward. This election will not be easy, but with your help and your prayers, the optimism and organization of our grassroots army will lead Wisconsin to win the 21st century.

Annual Picnic

We had a really good time at the Annual Picnic on June 2nd. There were lots of compliments about the venue, food, and change in concept. We had 70 RSVPs and over 50 attended. We ask that if you RSVP please show for the event. Food and physical arrangements are prepared and planned for based on the RSVP counts.

The Red Brick Wall

Between now and November our focus is on building the Red Brick Wall called Wisconsin against the supposed blue wave. Help build the wall. Get involved.

Here are our 8 priorities for the Get Out The Vote (GOTV) for the rest of this year.

- 1. LTE TEAM
- 2. Train Volunteers
- 3. Parade/Booth Teams
- **4.** Phone callers
- 5. Doors
- **6.** Lit Drops
- 7. Tech Training
- 8. Rallies

We have enclosed a page that briefly describes what we do during our upcoming activities. Please read it over and then jump into the mix and help build the Red Brick Wall called Wisconsin.

Thank You!

Thank you so much to Jerry Johnson who built the frames for the wall of signs, the tower, and the shelf for the front window.

Thank you to Ted Preiser for all of his short notice help in printing banners and signs and for making the incredible stage for the EH. Ted also developed and printed the Red Brick Wall called Wisconsin sheets. Thanks guys!

August 14th Primary

There is a primary election on August 14th. In that primary we will select our Republican candidate for the 1st Congressional District and our United States Senate candidate who will take on Tomah Tammy Baldwin in November.

There is some misinformation out there about the primary ballot. A couple of points to clarify with your municipal clerk:

August is a partisan primary. At the top of your ballot there will be choice of Republican or Democratic Party. Color in the bubble that you are voting for. By coloring the party bubble you are not declaring you are a member of a political party, you are merely indicating that you wish to vote for either Republicans or Democrats. You still need to go down the entire ballot and vote for individual candidates if you want the votes to count.

Your ballot is valid even if you do not color in the party preference bubble at the top, as long as you vote only for candidates all from the same party down the entire ballot.

If you color in votes for individuals in more than one party or "crossover", and you have not selected a party preference at the top, your ballot may not be counted.

If you color in a party preference bubble at the top of the ballot and still "crossover" when voting for individuals down the ballot, only those candidates who align with your party preference selection will be counted.

Wisconsin has "In person absentee" and "Absentee" voting.

In person absentee voting usually starts about 10 days prior to election day. In person absentee is exactly that, you go in to your municipal clerk's office or designated location and cast your absentee ballot in person. You still sign the voter books and your ballot is sealed in an envelope. These ballots cast must match the number of ballots in the voter book/logs. Make sure you sign the voter book/logs to help ensure voting integrity.

Absentee voting is just that, if you aren't able to vote on election day or can't make it to your clerk to vote in person absentee. Contact your municipal clerk and request a ballot be mailed to you. If you must vote absentee get a hold of your municipal clerk right away. More time is required to work with absentee voting because the ballots are mailed to you and you mail them back to the clerk. Be sure follow the instructions and complete the front of the

ballot envelope properly. If you don't it could result in your ballot being disqualified.

To help clarify all of this even more, at our August 2nd membership meeting our WALCO County Clerk, Kim Bushey will give a presentation on voting and the ballot process.

We have voter registration materials at our Election Headquarters at 11 W. Walworth Street in Elkhorn.

If you know anyone who may be out of town or unable to get to the polls on August 14th for the primary – please talk with them. Voting options exist.

<u>Incredible Response</u>

During June we had 2 fantastic events at our Election Headquarters. We had a rally for U.S. Senate candidate Leah Vukmir who was accompanied by RPW Chairman Brad Courtney. Over 25 members greeted them.

We also had a rally for Lt. Gov. Kleefisch the same day as the Dairy Breakfast. Over 40 members and guests attended. To top it off 3 of the 1st Congressional candidates attended as well. Walworth County – you are important!

Dairy Breakfast -Thank You

Thank you to: Seth Schmidt, John Schmidt, Jerry and Laurie Johnson, Abigail Rasch, Joe Nantz, Trudy Schulz, Trisha Ide, Rich Strohm, and David and Debi Black for your help during the Dairy Breakfast. Thank you to: Lt Gov Kleefisch, Senators Nass and Vukmir, Reps Loudenbeck, August, and Horlacher, and State Treasurer candidate Travis Hartwig for your help and thanking the volunteers.

Annual Raffle Ticket Sales

If you have sold or unsold raffle tickets for this year's raffle please get them turned in to either Chris Goebel or Trudy Schulz by July 3rd.

We have to have a full accounting of all of the tickets before the July 8th cruise.

Please turn in any sold tickets ASAP to help our Treasurer. It is a tremendous effort for the Treasurer to maintain the proper records for the Gaming Commission and Campaign Finance.

Thank you so much Trudy for all the hard work and hours! We couldn't do it without you.

If you're interested in buying or helping sell tickets please call our phone line (262) 723- RPWC (7792) and leave a message or stop by our headquarters at 11 W. Walworth in Elkhorn.

Pints - Candidate Forum

On June 19 we held a 1st CD candidates' forum at the Duck Inn. We had quite a turnout of between 65 & 70 people.

The Executive Board approved a compilation of 12 questions from the questions members submitted and the attendees got to hear what each of the 4 invited candidates had to say. It really was a great evening!

We also had in attendance Travis Hartwig who is running for State Treasurer and Jay Schroeder who is running for Secretary of State –both gentlemen are strong Republicans.

Election Headquarters (EH)

Our Election Headquarters (EH) is located in the historic Elkhorn Independent building at 11 W. Walworth in downtown Elkhorn.

Our hours are:

Monday, Wed, & Friday: 11:00am – 2:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am – 2:00pm Sundays and holidays: Closed

The number is (262) 723-RPWC (7792).

Annual Cruise Fundraiser

We are still accepting donations of any amount and hosts at the following levels:

Silver - \$250 – reserves 2 tickets **Gold** - \$500 – reserves 4 tickets

Platinum - \$1,000 – reserves 6 tickets

As of this publishing the following are Hosts:

<u>Silver Hosts:</u> Rich and Nadeen Strohm, Ty and Nancy Douglass, Becky Merwin, Denise Schultz, Bryan Steil, Senator and Mrs. Dave Craig, Jim and Louise Weiner, Dr. Pam Wolfe, Donna and John Surinak, Andy Szymanskyj

Gold Hosts: Chris and Patti Marsicano, Mark

Solowicz, Christine Jones, and Susan Quinn.

Thank You so very much to our Hosts!

All Hosts need to complete all of the details on the RSVP cards and get them back to us ASAP.

If you are interested in hosting please call Chris Goebel (262) 903-0572 OR (262) 723- RPWC (7792).

Coming Events:

June 30th & July 1st – Mole Festival fairgrounds

<u>Parades:</u> <u>July 1st</u> - 12:30pm East Troy; <u>July 4th</u> - 9:30am Whitewater, 11:00am Sharon, 2:30pm Delavan

RibFest July 12, 13,14,15: We have a booth at the fairgrounds and can use more volunteers

July 28th: 08:00am Executive Board meeting

August 2nd: 6:00pm Membership meeting – County Clerk -voting and the ballot. Possible

endorsement for Sec State & State Treasurer.

<u>August 3 & 4th:</u> Elkhorn Corn and Brat we have a booth could use 4 more volunteers per day.

<u>August 4th:</u> Genoa City Days Parade – walkers needed.

August 11th: Roadside Rallies details to come

August 14th: PRIMARY ELECTION

<u>WALCO FAIR:</u> Aug 29 – Sept 3rd please volunteer to help staff the tent.

<u>September 6th:</u> Members Meeting 6:pm at EH <u>September 8th & 9th:</u> Darien Cornfest booth. <u>September 9th:</u> Darien Cornfest parade

To help with any of the events you can call (262)723-RPWC (7792) or email us at info@walworthgop.com

Chairman's Closing Comments

Thank you to all the volunteers! You are a God send.

Joe Nantz is a RPWC member and is also working for RPW. Joe is working out of our office organizing phone callers and door knockers. If he contacts you please volunteer to help.

Joe is a high energy young man who we asked for as the RPW coordinator in WALCO because he was a strong volunteer during the 2016 presidential. He knows WALCO, its activities and communities. By helping Joe you help the RPWC and the conservative cause.

Enclosed are the July and August calendars to better depict what our schedule looks like and to help you plan your volunteer efforts.

Stop in or call the office (262) 723-RPWC (7792) and offer your help.

Help build the Red Brick Wall called Wisconsin.

Until next time, have a great summer and may God watch over you all.