



Montgomery County Republican Party

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2009 GOP Trap Shoot, Saturday, July 18th

EVENT LOCATION:

Middletown Sportsmen Club
6943 Michael Road · Middletown, Ohio 45042

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES:

Registration and practice begins at 9:00 am
Shooting begins at 10:00 am
Lunch at 11:30 am (Prime Rib, Baked Potato and Salad, Beer, Wine and Soda)

COST:

\$100 per Participant (Includes 25 clay practice rounds, 50 event rounds)
\$35 Non-Participants Lunch Only
Non-participants, Children 12 and under - Free

Participants may use any size shotgun you wish. Bring your own ammo, or you may purchase ammo at the event for \$8.00. Bring your eye and ear protection. Instructions and safety lessons will be available.

DIRECTIONS:

- I-75 South to OH-73 (Exit 38)
- Turn Right on OH-73 through the City of Franklin
- (Go 1.9 miles - cross over bridge)
- Turn Left on Franklin Trenton Rd. / Oxford Road
- (Follow for 6 miles) - Road will bend to left
- Turn Right on Michael Rd. (Go 1.4 miles) Entrance will be on the Left - Look for signs!

For further information, visit our website or contact Republican Headquarters at (937) 461-1776.

Participation, by entering this event, releases the Montgomery County Republican Party, the Middletown Sportsmen's Club, and their employees, agents and all other persons involved in the production of the Trap Shoot from any and all claims, causes of action and actions of any nature involving personal injury, property damage, or otherwise which may arise out of participating in this event.

3rd Annual GOP Golf Outing Pictorial Highlights June 26, 2009



Reflections on the First Six Months of the 128th General Assembly By Representative Terry Blair, 38th District



There have been more than 250 proposals for new legislation introduced in the House. Thankfully, fewer than five have made it through the legislative process to be signed by the governor. And, I believe that is a good thing. For it seems that most legislation is proposed without consideration of how it will affect the cost, scope or complexity of government. But, I find it disheartening that our fiduciary responsibility has gotten lost, as rival interests struggle with just what means will be used to arrive at a balanced budget.

When used by those with common business sense, budget is a term that is relatively unambiguous and easily understood. To me, a budget is a specific plan for spending a given level of resources for a specific purpose. In business, the purpose is simply for generating a profit - a profit that allows the business to generate capital for the growth of the enterprise and enables it to provide a return on the capital that has been invested. The obvious benefit to the state when business budgets with this purpose in mind is that its citizens will have jobs.

In government, it seems the “purpose” for a budget is to plan for spending all available funds, regardless of the need for the expenditure. Government has become too big. In this current business cycle, we have witnessed the demise of some rather large private enterprises. Justifying intervention, the federal government has convinced many that these enterprises are too large to be allowed to fail. In fact, these enterprises are just plain too large to be efficient. And, so they are also too large to be successful.

My friends, government has become too large to be efficient and, instead of efficiently providing services to the citizens, it is becoming a burden on their productivity. Democrats would have us believe that government must grow even larger to pick up the slack as a result of the economy and job loss. However, government can only grow at the expense of private industry and the citizens it serves.

Ohio projects a shortfall of \$3,200,000,000 in revenues for the coming biennium. Fortunately, our constitution requires a balanced budget. So, instead of planned spending of nearly \$54,000,000,000, we can only plan to spend \$50,800,000,000. State government must trim spending by whopping six percent (6%).

So what’s the big concern here? Citizens and businesses in this state have had to cut back much more than 6%. Surely every department, agency or program funded by state government can deal with a 6% funding reduction – gains in productivity alone can be found to offset such a small funding reduction. Well, such a method is not the best way to deal with the problems we face; but, we might as well get this budget in motion with an across the board cut, so that we can focus our efforts on prioritizing our spending and finding the fat in our budget.

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I don't see this revenue decline turning around anytime soon, so we have to be prepared to make additional and meaningful cuts to this budget once it is in motion. Long term, we must quit spending beyond our citizens' capability of support. We have to be able to control our spending and be held accountable for the effectiveness with which we spend other people's money. I am working on, and, plan to introduce, legislation to do just that.

Already, my fellow republicans in the House have introduced legislation that will force state government to find productivity gains – HB 25, to reorganize the executive branch into fewer department/cabinet levels; and, HB 65, to require performance budgeting and authorize performance audits. Also, HB 240 has been introduced which would require the Department of Jobs and Family Services to actively search out Medicaid fraud. What novel ideas! However, none of this proposed legislation is likely to see the light of day as long as Democrats control the House. So, as Republicans our first goal must be to regain the majority in the House in 2010.

Please contact me at (614) 466-6504 or via e-mail at district38@ohr.state.oh.us if I can be of assistance.

GOP Pig Roast & Picnic in the Country Saturday, August 22, 2009

EVENT LOCATION:

The Home of Greg Hanahan
13900 State Route 725
Germantown, Ohio 45327

TIME:

4:00 pm - ?

ACTIVITIES:

Swimming, Games, Live Band, Cornhole Contests, Door Prizes, Activities for the Kids

COST:

\$15.00 Per Person
\$25.00 Per Couple
\$75.00 Picnic Sponsor (includes 4 family members and sponsor recognition)
Kids 10 and Under are Free

DIRECTIONS:

- From Dayton, follow Ohio State Route 4 South to Ohio State Route 725
- Turn Right
- Proceed through Germantown approximately 4.6 miles

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Volunteer of the Month: Rhonda Borgerding

Rhonda Borgerding, who is the current Chair of the Montgomery County Young Republicans, is a Dayton native and two-time Wright State University grad. Rhonda's dad, Ted, along with a very Republican high school history teacher, influenced her at a young age on the importance of conservative values. While Rhonda was pursuing her Bachelor's degree in Marketing, she was fortunate enough to develop a close relationship with her Marketing Professor, Kay Wick. In 2004, Rhonda interned with Kay and Carl for the Bush-Cheney 2004 campaign for Montgomery County. Soon thereafter she moved to Columbus to work at the Ohio House of Representatives under Speaker Jon Husted. Rhonda attributes much of her "fun" in politics to meeting Kay.

In 2006, Rhonda returned to Dayton to pursue her MBA in International Business and is currently employed as a marketing consultant at InterbrandDesignForum here in Dayton. Recently engaged, Rhonda is set to be married to Matt Hiatt, who is an Egress Mechanic on the F-16 fighter jets at the Springfield Air Force Base.

Rhonda is very excited to be leading the Montgomery County Young Republicans and encourages those young or young at heart people who are eager to restore value to the country to get involved with the group. The YR's meet on the second Monday of every month at the BW3's at Town and Country in Kettering. "Just after the election and young professionals started to realize how much the new administration could affect their futures, many people have been coming to join our cause; each meeting we grow!" Rhonda comments about the recent growth in membership of the club. "We have a following on Facebook, Twitter and are trying to get our message out to the young people in the area."

The group meets to discuss politics, whether that be to debate an issue or gain clarity around current events and how the administration is responding. The YR's also like to have fun! "We have a lot of fun events throughout the year from Wine Tastings to Pub Crawls- we are serious about the cause, but also like to get out and have fun. A lot of solid friendships develop from meeting people in the club."

Rhonda has hopes of running for office sometime in the next few years and is excited about all of the possibilities for the Dayton region's future. "Dayton has had to deal with some very tough times recently, but the people who live here have a generosity of spirit and commitment to family that will never let this region disappear. With the right leadership and selfless dedication we can provide our young people with hope and pride for the place we call home."

You can contact the Montgomery County Young Republicans at daytonyrs@hotmail.com or you can reach Rhonda at rBMW@msn.com.