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CHAIR'S CORNER



Phillip Joseph-

HARNESSING THE POWER OF POLITICAL ENGAGEMENT

In a world rife with complex challenges and rapid transformations, the notion of political engagement often emerges as a beacon of hope and catalyst for change. While the realm of politics may seem daunting or even disillusioning to some, the power of getting involved politically cannot be overstated. It holds the potential to shape societies, influence policies, and drive meaningful progress on a multitude of fronts.

At its core, political engagement empowers individuals to actively participate in the decision-making processes that govern their lives. Through the political parties we are able to have a collective voice that serves as a fundamental pillar of our Republic, ensuring that the diverse perspectives and interests of citizens are represented in the corridors of power.

Moreover, political engagement serves as a vehicle for driving positive change on issues that affect the national arena along with your local community. By getting involved individuals can amplify their impact and hold elected officials accountable to their promises. Through persistent advocacy and collaboration, seemingly insurmountable obstacles can be overcome, and systemic injustices can be dismantled.

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Update

CITIZENS FOR LOCAL CONTROL

Kelli Case-

As of this writing, the local Barry County chapter has 700 signatures so far. **In order to hit our target we calculate that we need to hit 900 signatures a week.** This will get us to 5000 signatures.

We have many people out there working the street and we have tables set up in many different places. We had a presence at the local St Patrick's Day Parade with many people signing up. It is amazing how many people have no idea that this destruction of local control is happening in our state.

But we still need your help!

We are looking for **4-6 people per township to help gather signatures.**

We just need 312 signatures per township!

Just 312!

We can do this but we need your help!

If you have petitions - or you need some and are willing to help, **please contact Kelli Case (kvaughn@mei.net)** as soon as possible.

Thanks again for all your support; every little bit helps!

Together we can do this!

Thank you!!!



Date: May 18, 2024

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: 103 W. State St.

Hastings, MI 49058

Register: barrycountyrepublican.org

Ticket Cost:

\$75 One | \$150 Two | \$600 Table

This year's theme is

 **Western**

so dress to impress and get ready for live music and dancing!

This banquet allows us to raise funds for the party candidates while also spending quality time with fellow conservatives.

CONCERNS OF A YOUNG REPUBLICAN

G. Fish-

Too often I see the modern-day Republican party supporting issues it fails to uphold for its members. Taxes should be cut, but inflation costs nickel and dime those who already take tax cuts. The government should be less corrupt, yet uniparty antics show that both Republicans and Democrats use the state for nefarious purposes. The free market is collapsing underneath our feet and the U.S's economic institution has never looked more bleak, but what do we care? More money for Ukraine! For such a gripping name, the "conservative" party has truly failed in conserving anything, and that sentiment is no further felt than among the youth of today.

As a young Christian conservative, there is little nowadays that excites me about the party I claim to represent. I work for wages that barely allow me to meet my most basic essentials and afford tuition. The misgivings of the modern-day conservative party allow nothing for younger generations to look forward to. Notably, I have seen the party fail to reach out to younger generations. Instead of "disenfranchising" - as the state media so aptly puts it - or ignoring the younger generations, the local and national GOP needs to recognize that a significant voter base is found in these people.

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Breaking News!

DAR LEAF'S LETTERS

To Ohio Congressman, Jim Jordan
U.S House of Representatives

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Barry County Sheriff's Office

1212 West State Street • Hastings, Michigan 49058

Sheriff Dar Leaf

March 17, 2024

The Honorable Jim Jordan
2056 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC, 20515-3504

Dear Congressman Jordan,

My office is investigating criminal acts related to elections in Barry County, the State of Michigan, and the United States. I am in possession of evidence involving voting machines. Additionally, I have recently received a subpoena from Prosecutor D.J. Hilson of Muskegon County for my file. D.J. Hilson worked with the Michigan Attorney General to bury the Muskegon fraud investigation that was initially reported by the Muskegon local clerk. Not one person was charged related to the Muskegon fraud despite confessions, and physical evidence. Considering this, I am going to provide portions of my file to Congress for immediate review and investigation.

My office has come into possession of evidence that foreign nationals have accessed electronic voting machines in Michigan and other states. This evidence demonstrates that electronic voting machines and electronic election systems used for elections in Michigan and throughout the United States are not secure and an immediate investigation is needed by Congress.

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I have evidence in my file of Serbian foreign nationals entering our election system while the votes were being counted, and prior to certification. The election vendor, Dominion, hired these Serbian employees and disclosed in emails that they are not able to provide backgrounds on these individuals due to law in Serbia. It has only been a mere 25 years since conflict involving Serbia. Therefore, the United States has allowed a scenario where potentially Serbian military criminals are running our elections and remotely entering our election equipment.

I am investigating the role that some individuals inside the United States have played in conspiring with these foreign nationals, and who have even directed and instructed them to access and interfere with electronic voting machines and electronic voting systems during past elections, including the November 2020 election. Multiple false assurances from state and federal agencies, and private companies that our elections were secure and not compromised through remote network access or otherwise. Moreover, I have evidence that U.S. Dominion and its affiliates (Dominion) instructed its employees to alter or otherwise falsify the integrity of the software and hardware in its voting machines and systems to attain certification by the Election Assistance Commission (EAC), even when they knew that the systems could not be properly verified and certified. Additionally, I have evidence that the voting machines and systems are vulnerable to alteration and manipulation, i.e., interference, by the use of thumb drives and external devices that

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can be surreptitiously connected to voting machines before, during, and after elections.

As a result of this information, my office is also investigating conspiracy crimes, wire services fraud, honest services fraud, and perjury charges, among other criminal acts. The perjury charges stems from assurances by Dominion's CEO during sworn testimony before the Michigan Legislature that its voting machines and voting systems could not be accessed or connected to by outside networks and sources, and that it was a "US based company."

As I now have evidence that our election equipment is not secure and because election voting machines prevent transparency, and vendors have more oversight and authority to have them examined than the officials that are charged with the constitutional duty to insure our elections are secure, transparent, and fulfill our promise to each and every American that their votes will count, and will be properly tabulated, and not diluted, deleted or otherwise altered, I am presenting you with this letter and an initial tranche of this evidence so that you will review it, and be compelled to investigate this matter and call those responsible for this breach of our Constitution to give testimony concerning these criminal acts and breach of our national security. These matters impact not only us here in the State of Michigan, but every citizen voter in the country who relies on the Constitution's promise that each legal registered citizen voter should have one vote, and that vote should correctly reflect his or her will and choice.

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As a constitutional officer, my duties are defined by my oath of office, the Constitution, the statutes governing my office, and those powers at common law that were recognized as being attached to my position. In light of this evidence, I am suggesting that every election official consider an emergency back-up plan for upcoming elections to prepare to verify all ballots and voters, and to hand count actual paper ballots at the end of elections to confirm the accuracy of the vote, the voters, and that our election machines are working properly. There is no harm in confirming results to ensure that the will of the people is reflected.

Thank you, in advance, for your prompt attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or would like additional information concerning my investigation. As it stands, I have no faith in the federal institutions that allowed this garbage in the first place therefore, I am attaching unredacted documents for your review. More importantly, for review by the American people. This should allow for Congress to issue subpoenas in an expedited fashion. I look forward to Congress working for the American people, and quickly addressing these election security problems while I pursue the criminal investigation with sheriffs across the country.

Sincerely,

/s/ Dar Leaf

Barry County Sheriff Dar Leaf

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CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

APRIL 01, 2024

Assyria Township Board Meeting	7:30 pm
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APRIL 02, 2024

City of Hastings Library Board	4:30 pm
City of Hastings Planning Commission	7:00 pm
Village of Middleville COW	4:30 pm
Village of Middleville Planning Commission	7:00 pm
Village of Nashville Planning Commission	7:00 pm
Orangeville Township Board Meeting	7:00 pm

APRIL 03, 2024

Castleton Township Board Meeting	1:00 pm
Maple Grove Township Board Meeting	4:00 pm

APRIL 08, 2024

Carlton Township Board Meeting	7:00 pm
City of Hastings City Council Meeting	7:00 pm
Hope Township Board Meeting	6:30 pm
Thornapple Township Board Meeting	7:00 pm
Village of Freeport Board Meeting	7:30 pm
Village of Woodland Board Meeting	6:30 pm

APRIL 09, 2024

Baltimore Township Board Meeting	7:00 pm
Barry Township Board Meeting	7:00 pm
Village of Middleville Village Council Meeting	7:00 pm

APRIL 10, 2024

Johnston Township Board Meeting	6:30 pm
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APRIL 11, 2024

City of Hastings DDA	8:00 pm
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APRIL 16, 2024

City of Hastings Zoning Board of Appeals	7:00 pm
Irving Township Board Meeting	6:30 pm
Village of Middleville DDA	6:00 pm

APRIL 17, 2024

City of Hastings Joint Planning Committee Meeting	5:30 pm
City of Hastings Park and Rec Committee Meeting	10:30 am

APRIL 23, 2024

City of Hastings City Council Meeting	5:30 pm
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APRIL 24, 2024

City of Hastings City/County Airport Authority Meeting	4:30 pm
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*Please verify times and dates before attending



WE ARE HIRING

Susan B Anthony Pro-Life America is hiring canvassers across Michigan as part of a **\$92 million campaign** to take back the White House and US Senate!

Be part of the team!

Make your own schedule while earning \$15 - \$20 / hour plus mileage while playing a critical role in America's future.

APPLY HERE!

Or contact Chris O'Brien at
203-558-5817 or
chris@sbalistfield.org

These Pro-Life JOBS...

- **Pay \$15-\$20 an hour** (depending on number of hours worked) & reimburse **30 cents per mile** driven.
- Can earn **quarterly bonuses and incentives**.
- Choose **your own hours** between 9am-Sunset, 7 days per week.
- Work **safe** neighborhoods near you.
- **Make a difference** in our nation for generations to come.
- Must have a smart phone and data plan to use with our app, i360 Walk.
- Can earn **referral bonus** of \$75 per person!



**WE'RE HIRING
PRO-LIFERS**

**GET PAID TO ADVANCE
THE PRO-LIFE CAUSE.**

THE JOB

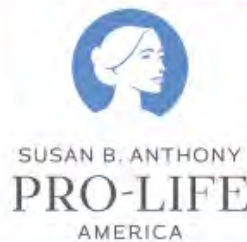
Pro-Life Field Representatives to go door-to-door in their community to conduct a simple survey on pro-life issues with voters.

THE DETAILS

Field Representatives start at \$15/hr with the potential to make \$20/hr including bonuses. Field Representatives are reimbursed \$0.30/mile for their travels. Hours are flexible (up to 40 hours per week). Must be 16 or older, able to abide by strict daily reporting requirements, and in harmony with a pro-life mission.

STARTING AT
\$15.00/HR

CONTACT US TODAY!



Chris O'Brien
chris@sbalistfield.org
203.558.5817

<https://sbapro-life.org>

Scan QR Code
Apply Today!



In addition to pro-life canvassers, I'm also looking for **Field Directors** across the state!

The Field Director position is a full-time, salaried position that includes recruiting, training, and managing paid canvassers.

Please share this with your family, friends and fellow pro-lifers!
The full Job Description is on the next page.

APPLY HERE!



Regional Field Directors Job Description

General Purpose/Summary Statement: Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America, a national pro-life organization, is looking for diligent, hardworking, and passionate Field Directors to advance the pro-life cause.

Essential Duties/Responsibilities: Build a grassroots organization within assigned region of assigned state to conduct precinct walks to survey and educate voters on pro-life issues related to the 2024 election.

A field director would spend a typical workday recruiting, managing and motivating teams of paid field representatives to contact pro-life and persuadable voters. Field directors will also attend local evening meetings with community, activist and political groups as an ambassador and a representative of Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America, making speeches and announcements about the mission and recruiting paid workers. Field directors may be asked to assist with other responsibilities and projects. Field directors will be responsible for monitoring, tracking and providing reports of actual results on a weekly basis and more often if requested. Training will be provided. Field directors will participate in regular team meetings by phone, by video conferencing, and occasionally in person. Some occasional overnight travel will be required for training and team meetings.

Other Duties/Responsibilities: Each field director will be expected to put in a minimum of a full-time work week (40 hours +). Working some overtime, evenings, and weekends should also be expected as part of the position. Applicants are expected to devote full-time to this position without engaging in other gainful employment during this period of employment. Any other employment or contracting work must be approved in advance.

Job Qualifications/Requirements: Must maintain a courteous attitude in dealing with people within and outside of Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America. Must demonstrate behavior and have a reputation that is aligned with the core values of Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America. Must be at least 18 years old.

Knowledge/Experience: Bachelor's degree or equivalent experience/certifications Experience working as a team member on grassroots projects Knowledge / experience of basic project management, organization, recruitment, event planning and scheduling Competency in MS Word, Excel, Power Point, Google apps and Internet Browsers Experience in political campaigns helpful but not required.

Skills, Abilities, and Special Talents/Gifts:

Maintains a high-degree of integrity and ethical behavior in all business activities and decisions; and demonstrates standards of conduct that meet or exceed organization or legal requirements

Able to attract and recruit a steady flow of new recruits, as well as manage and maintain existing team members

Ability to manage multiple projects at various stages
Ability to resolve conflicts, disagreements, and misunderstandings

Excellent organizational and administrative skills A strong team player Demonstrates the ability to get the job done

Diplomatic; articulate; decisive, approachable; flexible; concern for long-term effectiveness

Coachable, able to redirect work priorities and assignments as requested

Flexibility and adaptability to change

Ability to encourage and motivate personnel

Strong attention to detail

Ability to assemble clear, concise, and accurate project documentation

Lead teams to successful project completion

Ability to work independently with little supervision

Maintain a cool and calm demeanor under pressure.



YOUNG REPUBLICANS...

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Most young voters cast their ballots for Democratic candidates in the past midterm election. How does the GOP plan to properly convince people of their superiority when they firmly believe that “A politician is an arse upon which everyone has sat except a Man?”

There seems to be a constantly rising change in culture that demonstrates conservatives giving grace to evil. Donald Trump has expressed support for a sixteen-week ban on abortion, seemingly trying to pacify social conservatives and moderates. However, compromising on issues such as the fundamental right to life at all ages exemplifies that the political party today is exceedingly comfortable with allowing the other party to manipulate them. Republicans now back same-sex marriage, an issue they promised multiple times never to support.

Sitting at meetings, while beneficial, fails to really accomplish anything in the real world---a real world that desperately needs the traditional values upon which it claims to stand. The culture is shifting and will continue to shift toward liberal values. What are we going to do about it?

Modern Christians tend to signal to Paul’s exhortation in Romans 13:1 as an indication not to be involved in politics, “Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established.” What is subsequently lost on many Christians is that Paul was a great rabble-rouser, one of the men “who have turned the world upside down” (Acts 17:6). The modern conservative Christian must become comfortable with the idea of being seen as counter-cultural, even if it results in a loss of relationships. As Jesus once flipped tables in temples against the Pharisees, so too should the conservatives of today consider flipping their own tables - the tables that stand against the firm foundation of the country.



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Furthermore, political engagement fosters a sense of civic responsibility and empowerment among citizens. By actively participating in the process, individuals not only exercise their rights but also fulfill their duties as members of society. They become agents of change rather than passive observers, shaping the course of history through their actions and contributions.

In conclusion, the power of getting involved politically is undeniable. It empowers individuals to shape the direction of society, drive meaningful change, and uphold the principles of our Republic. By harnessing the collective power of engaged citizens, we can uphold the principles that have blessed our nation and the world. So, let us seize the opportunity to make our voices heard, advocate for positive change, and forge a brighter future through political engagement.

In Liberty,

Phillip Joeseph
Chair
Barry County Republican Party



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**Our Newsletter Team can help with
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 <p>We want YOU to VOTE!</p> <p>Scan QR codes on back to Register to Vote, Request an Absentee Ballot, and Find Your Voter Info</p> <p>Barry County Republican Party PO Box 22, Hastings, MI 49058</p>	<p>Register to Vote</p>  <p>Request Absentee Ballot</p>  <p>Voter Information: Poll Place, Early Voting, Drop Boxes, Sample Ballot</p>  <p>Paid for with regulated funds by BCGOP</p>
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What Is YOUR Price? It is pointless vanity to sputter that you do not possess one. Only fools or those who have an eye towards deception would dare to claim that there is not a substance or element that they are willing to trade at in the pursuit of a goal. Every man and woman has a price. Do you know what yours is?

This question has been haunting me more and more as of late. As I watch the destruction of values and morals accelerate not only in this country but in the world at large, the crushing weight of all that is ascending from the bowels of the hell of our own selfish pride sears my soul. Mothers abandoning their infants to pursue vacations, parents offering up their children on the alter of mutilation in order to be seen as affirming and tolerant, a media that lies, and politicians who seek the benefit of stock options while trading the lives of young men and women in the crucible of war after pointless war, all swarm around us in an endless barrage of smug self-satisfaction. They have surely set the parameters of their price, and it is cheap.

Selfishness is at the root of all that is evil. Professors, pastors, and armchair theologians may argue this point with me; I stand on the evidence. Each of the above-mentioned instances, all of them drawn from real events, are mired in the murkiness of self-serving behavior. It is about fulfilling what I want, what I need, what I am entitled to, how others see ME. Race, religion, creed, national origin, party, none of these things matter, nor are they any useful indicator anymore of who is willing to sell out in order for personal gain. So, I ask again: **What Is YOUR Price?**

Fifty-six delegates from the thirteen colonies eventually signed the Declaration of 1776 to inform the King of England and ultimately the world that they would no longer endure the yoke of tyranny. Among those fateful lines that these educated and property-owning men read, understood, and agreed to were these: "And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our Sacred Honor." By the end of the seven years of the war, five signers had been captured by the British, twelve had their homes ransacked and burned, two lost their sons in the war, two more had their sons captured, and seventeen lost everything they owned.

The end of the war was never a foregone conclusion. These men, and their families faced opposition not only from the British but from their neighbors who remained loyal to the crown, from friends, and from family. There were dark days and cold brutal winters. Lives lost and battles where they were harried from retreat to retreat. Seven years they fought. Seven long years they held to the price that they had set as a trade for the freedom from tyranny. Most people today complain if they have to sacrifice their Starbucks coffee for the forty days of Lent! These men knew what their price was. Again: **What Is YOUR Price?**

Can you answer that question? Have you talked to your wife or husband, your children about this question? Do you know what you will do when payment is offered, or the bill comes due?

I cannot answer this for you; I can only answer it for myself. Like those brave men before us, and like all those who have stood and sacrificed in the defiance of tyranny, I can only hope that the answer is your life. I know it is for me. My wife knows it and so do my children. This doesn't mean that I am going to run out and throw my life away in pointless action. What it does mean is that I intend to embody C.S. Lewis's words when he said, "Courage is not simply one of the virtues, but the form of every virtue at its testing point."

What Is YOUR Price?