



KFRW ELECTIONS NEWSLETTER



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ELECTION SEASON 2014

Well, election season is in full swing by now. Everyone is busy with fund raisers, meet and greets, civic club engagements, etc. In the state of Kentucky there are 659 total candidates running for various positions from county constable all the way to the U.S. Senate seat. We have a total of 39 primaries for federal and state level offices 17 democrat primaries and 22 republican primaries. The U.S. Senate seat has a primary in both parties—4 Democrats and 6 Republicans. In 10 of those primaries, the winner takes all because there is no opponent to run against them in a general election. 7 of those primaries are Republican.

With all of those statistics everyone should have their work cut out for them. I hope all of the clubs across the state are gearing up or have had a candidate forum so that your members and other guest have the opportunity to get the information they need before heading to the polls. Our club is having a forum this month, and we have 22 candidates scheduled to speak. (We'll see how good I am at keeping

this bunch under control.)

Hopefully, we will have a trickle down and trickle across effect this year. We are seeing candidates from across the nation, from Kevin Faulconer (R), the new San Diego Mayor, to David Jolly (R), who just won the Florida Congressional seat, take offices away from democrat control. Let's hope this is the beginning of a title wave about to hit the U.S. One of the best ways to help this happen is to make sure our candidates stay on message and help them get the information out to voters. The one thing democrats have always been better than Republicans on, is getting their message across with the different forms of media. Especially the younger generations. We must do a better job. Don't think you are from too old a generation to learn facebook, twitter, and other forms of new media out there to help get the message out. Of course, the old school way of knocking doors still works well too.

Lets get out there and get our candidates elected.

Debra Henley
Chairman—Elections Committee



Election Calendar

April 21st: Last Day to register to vote in Primary

May 2nd-May 19th: Voter may make application to vote absentee in clerks office (12 days before primary)

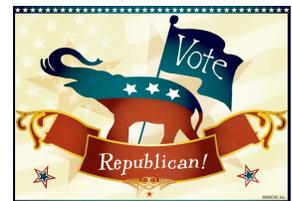
May 20th : Primary Elections

Oct. 6th: Last day to register to vote in general election

Oct. 17th—Nov. 3rd: Voter may make application to vote absentee in clerks office.

Nov. 4th General Election

GET OUT THE VOTE
Don't forget to encourage people to register to vote.



Source: Kentucky Secretary of State Website

Websites for your use: Kentucky Republican Party
Kentucky Legislative Leadership
Candidate Filings

rpk.org
www.lrc.ky.gov
apps.sos.ky.gov/elections/candidate filings/statewide

* You can also find other links on the KFRW website.

CPAC 2014

CPAC Straw Poll Results

The Results of The Washington Times/CPAC 2014 Straw Poll

What topics were polled? The straw poll covered personal core beliefs, the job approval rating for President Obama and Republicans in Congress, the preferred method for fixing the budget deficit, the USA's role in the world, NSA's use of data collection, views on marijuana, and who should be the GOP presidential nominee in 2016.



Who was polled? 2,456

CPAC registrants representing all 50 states and the District of Columbia voted in the straw poll. Forty-six percent of straw poll participants were between the ages of 18-25; eighteen percent were between the ages of 26-40; fifteen percent were between the ages of 41 and 55; eleven percent were between the ages of 56-65; and nine percent were over the age of 65. Sixty-three percent of the poll participants were male, and 37 percent were female.

On personal core beliefs: When asked about "personal core beliefs," 78 percent of the poll participants said their most important goal "is to promote individual freedom by reducing the size and scope of government and its intrusion into the lives of its citizens." Just 7 percent of those polled said their most important goal "is to secure and guarantee American safety at home and abroad regardless of the cost or the size of government."

On Obama's Job Performance: Ninety-eight percent of those polled disapproved of Obama's job performance as president, compared to 79 percent in 2012.

On Republicans in Con-

gress: Fifty-one percent of those polled said they disapproved of the job Republicans are doing in Congress, the first time in the past two years where more have disapproved of Republicans in Congress than approved.

On the Preferred Method to Fix the Budget: Seventy-eight percent of those polled agreed that the budget deficit should be mitigated by spending cuts only, as opposed to 18 percent who thought a combination of spending cuts and tax increases should be used, 1 percent who thought tax increases only should be used, and 4 percent who did not choose one of the three available answers.

On the USA's role in the world: Fifty-two percent of those polled thought that, "Nearly 70 years after the end of WWII, it's time for our European, Asian, and other allies to provide for their own defense." Thirty-seven percent thought that "As the world's only superpower, the US needs to continue to bear the responsibility of protecting our allies in Europe, Asia, and other parts of the world." Ten percent did not choose either option.

On the NSA's use of data collection: Seventy-eight percent oppose the NSA's use of data collection such as phone - tapping and reading of emails to combat global terrorism. Nineteen percent favored the NSA's data collecting tactics and 4 percent did not choose either option.

On participant's view of marijuana: Forty-one percent of those polled think "Marijuana should be legalized for recreational and medical use and taxed." Thirty-one percent thought marijuana should remain illegal, and 21 percent thought "marijuana should be legalized only for med-

ical purposes when prescribed by a doctor."

On who should be the GOP Presidential Nominee (the top five picks): Thirty-one percent of those polled picked Senator Rand Paul, 11 percent chose Senator Ted Cruz, 9 percent chose Neurosurgeon Ben Carson, 8 percent chose Governor Chris Christie, and 7 percent chose Governor Scott Walker.

Source: National Federation of Republican Women—Legislative News/political briefing





IN THE NEWS:

RIGHT-WING MOBS? SAY IT ISN'T SO, CONSERVATIVES!

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When I wrote a book about mobs and group-think a few years ago, I could honestly say that mob behavior existed exclusively on the left in America -- unless you count Oakland Raiders tailgate parties, which I do not. As described in *Demonic: How the Liberal Mob Is Endangering America*, the distinctive characteristics of the mob mentality include:

-- Slogans as arguments ("Bush lied, kids died!" "Keep your laws off my body!" "You can't hug a child with nuclear arms");

-- Imperviousness to facts (e.g., the left's refusal to abandon repeatedly disproved canards about Reagan's tax cuts causing the deficit, the Aug. 6th PDB (President's Daily Brief) stating anything relevant about 9/11, and Valerie Plame being an "undercover agent");

-- Acceptance of contradictions (I haven't heard a cavil from MSNBC about Obama's expansion of the Afghanistan war, use of drones and continued operation of Guantanamo -- all deemed "war crimes" in the Bush administration); and

-- Extreme emotional attachment to their leaders combined with a passionate hatred of putative enemies (the burning and decapitations of Bush in effigy, books and movies about Bush's assassination -- even as liberals' publicly discuss their sex fantasies about Clinton and Obama).

To my dismay, some of these mob characteristics can now be found in small pockets on the right.

For months and months, for example, I've been demanding facts -- not shibboleths or epithets -- from the anti-Mitch McConnell brigade.

Here are my facts:

(1) For more than a decade, Sen. Mitch McConnell has stood alone in fighting unconstitutional campaign finance laws, earning him the undying enmity of *The New York Times*. (*The Times* is probably the largest contributor to the Senate Conservatives Fund opposing McConnell.)

McConnell took on the entire MSM, as well as members of his own party, principally John McCain and President Bush, who incomprehensibly signed McCain-Feingold into law with the idle musing that the Supreme Court could strike down any unconstitutional parts. (It didn't -- until some of it was finally overturned in *Citizens United*.)

McConnell was the Ted Cruz of campaign finance laws, leading filibusters to block these outrageous infringements on free speech, writing op-eds and giving speeches denouncing them, and directly suing to have McCain-Feingold declared unconstitutional in *McConnell v. FEC*.

As McConnell explained (beautifully):

"(T)he political left has always faced an uphill climb in a country in which there are two self-identified conservatives for every self-identified liberal. ... In order to succeed in this environment, liberals have generally resorted to one of (three tactics): obscuring their true intent; pursuing through regulation and the courts what they can't through legislation; or muzzling their critics."

(2) As minority leader, McConnell managed to get every single Republican in the Senate to vote against Obamacare -- even "Strange New Respect" Republicans like John McCain, Susan Collins and Lindsey Graham. No other Republican leader has ever accomplished anything like that.

For example, under Minority Leader Bob Dole, seven Senate Republicans voted for Clinton's 1994 crime bill, which contained the assault weapons ban widely credited with Republicans' sweep of Congress later that year. That's not merely a reflection of Republicans being worse back then: Among the "Ayes" were conservative John Danforth (Mo.) and William Cohen -- as good as you get from Maine.

The importance of a solid Republican vote against Obamacare can hardly be overstated. Thanks to McConnell, there is no confusion about which party is responsible for this widely detested law -- and which party you should vote for to get rid of it.

(3) McConnell tricked Obama into accepting the only spending cuts to the federal government in more than half a century.

Obama originally proposed the sequester on the assumption that its provisions were so harsh, Republicans would never accept it. But McConnell called his bluff and, for the first time since Eisenhower's first term, a bill was signed into law that would impose large-scale spending cuts on the federal government.

Even Ronald Reagan didn't cut federal spending!

McConnell did -- and that was with a Democratic president and a Democratic majority in the Senate. (Imagine what he could do with a Senate majority!)

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Source: [Demonic: How the liberal Mob is Endangering America](#)