# Mason County Republicans

May 2023

# MCR Lincoln Day Dinner Monday, May 15th

Mason County Republicans is pleased to announce that this year's dinner will be held on Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at **Scotty's Restaurant**. Appetizers begin at 5:30 pm, along with a *silent auction*. The program welcome starts at 6 pm, with dinner served at 6:30 pm. The menu includes a choice of prime rib or artichoke chicken, salad, 2 sides, dinner rolls, dessert and nonalcoholic drinks. The bar will be open for those who wish to purchase an alcoholic beverage.

Seating is limited to 100. **Tickets are \$60**, payable by check or credit card. Checks can be mailed to MCREC, PO Box 143, Ludington, MI 49431. For credit card payments, go to <a href="https://www.masoncountygop.org">www.masoncountygop.org</a> Go to the Lincoln Day Dinner tab and click on the Square secure link. Please register with Rebecca Robinson (231) 233-7397. **Payments must be received by May 8th.** No tickets will be sold at the door.

#### Guest Speakers

Our Keynote speaker will be Michigan Supreme Court Justice **Brian Zahra!** He served on the Wayne County Circuit Court for 4 years, on the Michigan Court of Appeals for 12 years and has served on the Michigan Supreme Court since 2011. He is a solid rule of law jurist who adheres to following the Constitution.

Other speakers will be **Nikki Snyder**, a Republican member of the State Board of Education and **Kindsey Nelson** with Great Schools Initiative of Michigan, a group of concerned parents fighting against radical sex and gender activism in our schools!



"My role as a judge is to determine what the law says, not what the law should be!" Brian Zahra

## Is Michigan supporting the Chinese Communist Party?

Congressman John Moolenaar has been sounding the alarm regarding the proposed Gotion battery factory in Mecosta County. According to an editorial he wrote for the Detroit News, Gotion High Tech has numerous references in its corporate bylaws requiring loyalty to the Chinese Communist Party (CCP). For example, Article 9 of its articles of association requires Gotion to "set up a Party organization and carry out Party activities in accordance with the Constitution of the Communist Party of China. The Company shall ensure necessary conditions for carrying out Party activities." We would encourage you to go to the Detroit News website and read the entire article.

Do you know someone who would like to be added to our newsletter email list?

If so, please have them contact Eric Juers by emailing him at:

EJ1800F@hotmail.com

# Monthly Meeting

Join your fellow Mason County Republicans on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm!

This is a great opportunity to stay informed on what is happening in politics on a local and state level. These meetings also give YOU the opportunity to let your voice be heard on the issues that affect us all.

We will be changing venues, so the new location will be announced sometime soon.



#### **MCR Membership**

It is members and their donations that make our local organization successful!

Please consider being a supporting member and join us in keeping the fight for freedom!

Become a member today!

# Adopt-A-Highway **Spring Cleanup**



### A Message from Our **County Chair:**



At our regular meeting on April 4th, the Executive Committee passed a resolution censuring 11 MI Republican Legislators for joining the Democrats in amending the Elliot-Larsen Civil Rights Act. The ELCRA amendment extended protection from discrimination based on "sex" to include sexual orientation and gender identity. It was passed without any protection of our religious liberties and fails to ensure equal protection under the law.

Two gun safety bills were passed by the Democrats, referred to as Safe Storage and Universal Background Checks. Both violate our 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment rights to bear arms and defend ourselves, but will do nothing to stop crime or mass shootings!

A further "Red Flag" bill also passed, which gives a judge the power to remove guns from people posing a danger to themselves or others. A partner, former spouse, family member, law enforcement, or mental health professional can petition the court to have a person's guns removed. The gun owner must then prove they are not a threat. This, in essence, makes the person guilty until proven innocent.

Although I agree that something must be done to stop mass shootings, we must look into mental health issues, rather than taking away the rights of law-abiding citizens. All of the last 6 mass shooters were identified as having mental health past or present history. Let's address the real issues and not look to these gun bills as a cure all!

I encourage you to share your concerns with me at: sheilakraus3467@gmail.com

In Liberty for All,

#### Sheila Genter-Kraus

Chairwoman - Mason County Republicans

On April 24<sup>th</sup>, twelve volunteers from the Mason County Republicans picked up trash along our designated 2-mile stretch, both north and southbound, on US 31. We filled 21 bags with trash! Thank you to all who came out to serve!

We will be participating in the Adopt-A-Highway cleanup again on Saturday, July 15th and Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. If you are willing to help, please contact Sheila. We would love to have you join us!