



ELEPHANT TALES

Fellow Wells County Republicans,

We are in the midst of candidate filings for the 2022 Primary Election. While this can be a time of stress for candidates and party officials, I'd ask the party faithful to make sure we stay positive, treat each other with respect, speak about policy over personality, and promote your preferred candidate, rather than personally attack an opponent. We see way too much of that negativity outside of our general area. We can be about positive forward motion, rather than drag each other backward. Good luck to all candidates on the campaign trail!

God bless each and every one of you,
 Zach Rodgers
 Wells County GOP Chairman

Be
 Think
 Do
 Positive

UPCOMING EVENTS

- FEBRUARY**
 3 Lunch & Listen for elected officials
 4 Last day for candidate filing/noon deadline
 5 Breakfast
 11 Tusk Force (The Garage)
 16 3rd District Meeting
 25-26 Congress of Counties
 28 Central Committee Meets
- MARCH**
 5 Breakfast
 11 Tusk Force (The Garage)
 16 3rd District Meeting
 TBD Lincoln Day
 28 Central Committee Meets
- APRIL**
 2 Breakfast
 4 Last day to register to vote in May Primary
 20 3rd District Meeting
 21 Last day to submit absentee voting apps



2022 Club Members

- Colin Andrews
- Denny Daily
- Rusty Daily
- Monte Fisher
- Bonnie Fisher
- Sandy Garcia
- Jason House
- Josh Hunt
- Staci Hunt
- Diane Markley
- Gary Markley
- Dayle Mentzer
- Scott Mentzer
- Glenna Plummer
- Rodger Popplewell
- Susan Popplewell
- Zach Rodgers
- Rick Smith
- Preston Wright



Breakfast @ GOP HQ
February 5, 8 a.m.
Reservations are appreciated.
<https://wells.gop/rsvp>

Our guest speaker will be Josiah Lippincott from the Graduate School of Statesmanship at Hillsdale College.



Congratulations to Our Newest GOP Office Holders



Rick Smith
 Lancaster Township Trustee

Andy Wolf
 Lancaster Township Advisory Bd

Greg Steele
 Lancaster Township Advisory Bd

Jack Blacksten
 Zanesville Town Council

WHO ARE WE?

ALL WHO BELIEVE IN THE IDEALS OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Zach Rodgers, Chair
 Sandy Garcia, Vice-Chair
 Preston Wright, Secretary
 Colin Andrews, Treasurer

WHERE ARE WE?

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Wells County GOP On the Move

THE GOP TUSK FORCE MOVES AROUND THE COMMUNITY

2021 might not have been an election year, but the Wells County Republican Party was certainly not dormant. One of our goals for 2021 was to be more active in our community. To accomplish this, we established the Community Outreach Program, led by Rina Stuck. We want Wells County to know that we care about and want to give back our community, being active in ways other than just politics.

During the year the "Tusk Force" proudly helped at events. We:

- * prepared and served a meal for Briana's Hope;
- * helped with the Bluffton Parks Department's Chick Run;
- * served at the Ossian Revitalization's Pork Chop Dinner;
- * participated in BOO! in Bluffton, the Chili Walk, and Parlor City Christmas.

In addition to providing manpower, we were also sponsors for various community events:

- * Wells Co Chamber of Commerce's Annual Dinner
- * Wells Co Chamber of Commerce's Port-a-Pit
- * Kehoe Park Summer Concert Series
- * Bluffton Street Fair
- * Goodie bags for police, firemen, and EMS
- * Parlor City Christmas

We have already begun our community outreach for 2022. Republicans will be volunteering at The Garage the 2nd Friday of each month, 4 - 6 pm or 6 - 8 pm. We were there in January and have volunteers for February and March. If you are interested in helping after March, please contact Rina Stuck, 820-1964.

Tusk Force member Laura Roberts (far right) helped two other volunteers prepare and serve food at The Garage on January 14th.



THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HELP TO KEEP US MOVING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION

It takes many more folks than just the central committee to keep Wells County Republicans on the move and leading the party in the right direction. Your Chairman Zach Rodgers, Vice Chairwoman Sandy Garcia, Treasurer Colin Andrews, and Secretary Preston Wright need the help of all of you to keep our party moving. We need your help to identify candidates, find poll workers, plan our fundraising events, sponsor breakfasts, work events, maintain headquarters, walk in parades, volunteer time to stuff envelopes, go door to door, send cards, donate financially, be precinct committeemen and vice committeemen, run for office, etc, etc, etc. We are so very thankful for each of you who give of your time, your talent, and your treasure and we hope to see even more of you helping in these areas and other areas.

As in any organization, there are those who step up to lead. Thank you to this group of leaders who met with the central committee each month in 2021 and worked hard in between those meetings:

- * Laura Roberts, Special Events Co-Chair
- * Yvette Huggins, Special Events Co-Chair
- * Rina Stuck, Women's Group President and Chair of Community Outreach

We look forward to working with this group again this year as well as with Leanne Gibbs, the 2022 Women's Group President.

Let's keep the party moving forward and make 2022 an exceptional year, both by winning elections and by being active in our community! And, remember we can't do it any of this without your help!

