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Message from Jon Stainbrook

Wow! There is nothing like debate amongst individuals of goodwill who believe, truly in what they are doing is the right course of action!

We are having that very debate in the Lucas County Republican Party, today.

Long before any of us started in politics, wise people set it up that the political parties should reorganize themselves every two years. And that the people who made the reorganization not be the political bosses, or politicians, but the humble precinct committeeman.

Now we are locked in a battle as to who those precinct committee people should be. Is being duly elected by fellow Republicans, and certified by the Board of Elections satisfactory, or should a higher standard like being "Republican enough" be applied? What is "Republican enough"?

Is it that we are just afraid to change? "Change" is the most demanded, least appreciated commodity we have as human beings.

We all want the other guy to change for the better, but we ourselves often resist change to our last breathe. Change is scary, it's fraught with fear, mistrust, and risk. And yet risk is the very thing that makes politics so appealing.

Every time a candidate steps forward, or a volunteer plants a sign, or a donor writes a check, they are taking a risk. A chance that their efforts will not be rewarded with success. But they take that risk because they want to affect change.

We're here, as Republicans, in a county in which we are few, to fight the good fight. And even if we have to take some time out to fight with ourselves, we know the result will make us stronger.

In my opinion, the debate is worth having, the fight is worth fighting, and the juice is worth the squeeze.



Change is Good!!

Jon

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This Week in History

05-01-1931 - The Empire State Building opened in New York City. At 102 stories, it would be the world's tallest building for the next 41 years.

05-01-1941 - Orson Welles's Citizen Kane, considered by many the greatest film ever made, premiered in New York.

05-02-1945 - The Soviet Union announced the fall of Berlin.

05-03-1979 - Margaret Thatcher became the first woman elected prime minister of England.

05-04-1626 - Peter Minuit landed in Manhattan, which he later bought for \$24 worth of cloth and brass buttons.

05-05-1961 - Alan Shepard became the first American in space.

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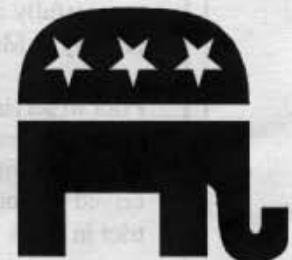
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State Senator Mark Wagoner

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Mark Wagoner Endorsed by UAW!
- Check out our New Website 48Rogues.com
- Letters of Support!



Reagan Quotes Compiled by Jon Anderson Toledo 22-1

"Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same, or one day we will spend our sunset years telling our children and our children's children what it was once like in the United States where men were free."

"Politics is supposed to be the second oldest profession. I have come to realize that it bears a very close resemblance to the first."

"To sit back hoping that someday, someday, someone will make things right is to go on feeding the crocodile, hoping he will eat you last--but eat you he will."

"I have left orders to be awakened at any time in case



Ronald Reagan

of national emergency, even if I'm in a cabinet meeting."

"All great change in America begins at the dinner table."

"Above all, we must realize that no arsenal, or no weapon in the arsenals of the world, is so formidable as the will and moral courage of free men and women. It is a weapon our adversaries in today's world do not have."

"Thomas Jefferson once said, 'We should never judge a president by his age, only by his works.' And ever since he told me that, I stopped worrying."

"If the bloodbath must come, then let's get on with it!"
Gov. Ronald W. Reagan to the U.C. Board of Regents

New Website for Information

Several people thought it would be a good idea to put together a website for general information while we're waiting to have our meeting.

The website is generally filled with links to news stories, radio interviews, and other pertinent stuff. There is also a discussion page where you're welcome to speak freely, and openly about your thoughts, your opinion, and your ideas.

The site is open to all, enjoy!

Brandyn Riffle
Precinct 3-Q

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Lincoln Quotes Compiled by Jonathon Anderson Toledo 22-1

"Discourage litigation. Persuade your neighbors to compromise whenever you can. As a peacemaker the lawyer has superior opportunity of being a good man. There will still be business enough."

"Better to remain silent and be thought a fool than to speak out and remove all doubt."

"I am a firm believer in the people. If given the truth, they can be depended upon to meet any national crises. The great point is to bring them the real facts."

"Nearly all men can stand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power."



Abraham Lincoln

"Character is like a tree and reputation like its shadow. The shadow is what we think of it; the tree is the real thing."

"Truth is generally the best vindication against slander."
Abraham Lincoln, letter to Secretary of War Edwin Stanton, July 18, 1864

"It has been my experience that folks who have no vices have very few virtues."

"The probability that we may fail in the struggle ought not to deter us from the support of a cause we believe to be just."

"Whatever you are, be a good one."

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UAW ENDORSES WAGONER FOR STATE SENATE

Toledo, OH - State Senator Mark Wagoner has received the official endorsement of the United Auto Workers Toledo Area CAP Council for the November 4th general election.

I am honored to receive the support of the UAW, Wagoner said. I look forward to working with the men and women of the UAW to energize our economy and create more good-paying jobs in Northwest Ohio.

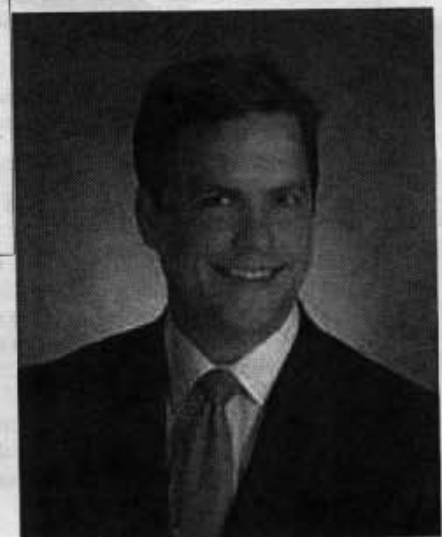
In January, Wagoner was sworn in as State Senator from the 2nd District, which includes all of Wood and Erie counties, and portions of Lucas and Ottawa counties. Wagoner ran successfully in a competitive three-way Republican primary in March, receiving over 74% of the vote.

Prior to serving in the State Senate, Wagoner was elected and re-elected to the Ohio House of Representatives with over 60% of the vote. Wagoner received the most votes of any candidate in his district in 2006.

I particularly appreciate the broad support my UAW endorsement demonstrates, Senator Wagoner emphasized. More than ever we need to be working together to create a better tomorrow for our families.

(Editor's Note: Congrats Mark!!)

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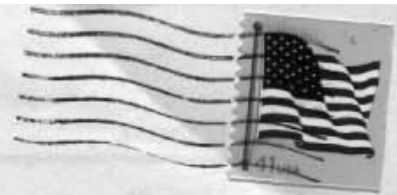
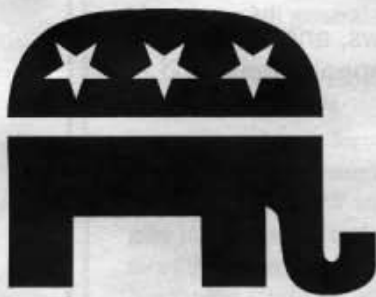
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Letters to the Editor *Printed in the Toledo Blade*

County GOP should follow its own rules

As a past member of the Lucas County Republican Central Committee and a former activist with the party, I am appalled by its current state. We sound like the Democrats. I sit in Columbus, where I currently reside, and laugh and shake my head at Toledo's political events. I have always been proud to call Toledo my home town, and I was always proud of the party I was involved in, but not so much anymore.

On the one hand, I see our current party leadership, happy with the status quo, letting Toledo be run by A team and B team Democrats. I see this same party leadership play games with the rules and the law on many fronts. On the other hand, I see a man on the fringe of the party who spent time bringing in desperately needed new faces. He and his recruits seem to be held to different standards that do not apply to the current party leadership. The party can do what they want, can post notices after hours, break rules, and so far get a way with it.

Something must change in our party. Years ago, I worked with Jon Stainbrook at countless phone banks, yard-sign drives, and other political events. He always drew a different crowd, but he always got the job done. He knows and understands grass-roots politics. The time for status quo Republicans in Toledo needs to be over. Either hold Jon and his recruits to the same standards as the party is being held to or

hold the party to the rules and laws established.

Dan Eisinger
Columbus

County Republicans need to make change

It is time for a change in the Lucas County Republican Party. The current leadership condones shenanigans that most people find disturbing. From Joanne Wack forging signatures and marginalizing voters in her own party to Doug Haynam trying to further discredit voters. This "leadership" is not leadership at all. They don't even attempt to field candidates. I don't want to hear that there aren't any Republicans willing to run. The climate is ripe now for a change in local politics, and all they want to do is whine about how hard it is to be a Republican!

I thought Republicans fought for what they thought was right. It seems to me that Jon Stainbrook wants to get the party active again, and not just be a club for blue bloods. I applaud Jon and his efforts and wish him well in this venture.

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