

The Trumpeter



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CAUCUS STRAW POLL RESULTS



MITT ROMNEY



RON PAUL



RICK SANTORUM



NEWT GINGRICH

WASHINGTON STATE RESULTS

38%

25%

24%

10%

SAN JUAN COUNTY RESULTS

25.94%

23.43%

21.76%

20.8%

Fiscal conservatives, family values voters, Constitution supporters, and small government voters showed up in force for the Republican precinct caucuses held on Orcas, Lopez, Shaw and San Juan Islands. "We had barely enough chairs for everyone, and that's a good problem to have." said County Republican Chairman and State Executive Board Member, Michelle Loftus.

Similar crowds attended the Orcas, Lopez and Shaw Island caucuses. Much enthusiasm generated from last week's Lincoln Day Republican events on Orcas and Lopez spilled over to ignite solutions for county, state and national needs.

The coalition of Republicans, Tea Party Activists, Constitution Party members, Disaffected Democrats, and Libertarians worked well together; suggesting platform resolutions and championing their individual choices for President. Despite the wide variety of opinions represented the discussions were passionate but

understanding and accepting of other views. One woman who described herself as a "recovering Democrat" announced that she was still undecided as to which of the Republican candidates would receive her vote, but she was certain that she would vote Republican this year.

At the end of the caucus, as attendees helped to put away chairs and clean up the room, Helen King, a San Juan Island Bed and Breakfast owner, commented, "This was great to have a voice. We should get together more often."

Dave Vandaveer, computed the straw poll results for the county, reporting that Romney received 25.94%, Paul received 23.43%, Santorum 21.76%, and Gingrich 20.08%. In addition, Vandaveer computed the undecided voters at 7.53%.

For more information of the San Juan County Republicans refer to the website or Facebook page. San Juan County Convention will be March 24, 2012 at the



WHAT HAPPENS AT THE CONVENTION?

*SJ COUNTY CONVENTION
MARCH 24, 2012 8:30 AM AT San Juan Grange*

So what's next after the caucuses? It's the San Juan County Republican Convention to be held on Saturday, March 24 at the San Juan Grange in Friday Harbor.

WHAT IS THE CONVENTION?

This is the gathering of all of the delegates elected at the caucuses held on Orcas, Lopez, Shaw and San Juan Islands. In addition there are "automatic" delegates which include the Chairman, State Committee Man and Woman, and the Precinct Committee Officers who organized the caucuses.

At the county convention, we discuss and vote on the platform issues for our county. We also elect delegates who will attend the Washington State Republican Convention to represent our county in determining the WA State Republican platform and voting on delegates who will vote at the National Republican Convention for the national choice of Presidential candidate.

WHAT HAPPENS AT THE COUNTY CONVENTION

The Credentials Committee is in the process of checking the party affiliation and addresses of all of those elected as delegates or alternates at the County Caucus. On the day of the convention, **only those elected delegates will be allowed to vote.** If a delegate can-

not attend, then an alternate will be asked to attend in that delegate's place.

The officers of our County Party are automatic delegates to the County Convention. The Chairman, State Committee Man and State Committee Woman are also automatic delegates to the WA State Convention. If any of these are unable to attend, they cannot be replaced by an alternate.

HOW CAN YOU BE A DELEGATE TO THE WA STATE CONVENTION?

In order to be a delegate to the WA State Convention, you do not have to be an elected delegate to the county convention. You can simply fill out the form on the next page and return it to our county chairman 72 hours before the county convention.

Delegates who wish to go to the County or State Conventions may be asked who they support, but this in no way binds them to their candidate. However, delegates are usually elected because of their affiliation with a Presidential campaign

WHERE IS THE WA STATE CONVENTION?

The WA State Republican Convention will be held in Tacoma, WA from May 31, 2012 to June 2, 2012 at the Greater Tacoma Convention Center.

WHAT WILL IT COST TO ATTEND THE WA STATE CONVENTION?

The WA State Convention is not cheap and the delegates must pay their own way. Registration for the convention costs about \$300. Hotel and food costs could add another \$200 in costs.

HOW MANY DELEGATES WILL BE ELECTED TO THE STATE CONVENTION FROM SAN JUAN COUNTY?

There will be four delegates and four alternates elected to the WA State Republican Convention from San Juan County.

IF I AM AN ALTERNATE, SHOULD I BOTHER TO ATTEND THE CONVENTION?

Yes, definitely you should plan to attend. The convention lasts for 8 or more hours in the day, the delegates and their alternates usually take turns being on the floor to vote. And alternates can attend the dinners, lunches and all of the hospitality suites at the convention.



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Declaration of Candidacy for Delegate to the Washington State Republican Party Convention
Tacoma, Washington

May 31 – June 2, 2012

This form must be returned to your County Chairman or his designated representative at least 72 hours prior to the opening gavel of your county convention/legislative district caucus in order to be included on the printed ballot.

In any county which is required or elects to have a printed ballot under Rule 27, any Republican who is a registered voter within the County/District he seeks to represent, wishing to be considered for the position of delegate to the state convention and wishing to have his/her name appear on an alphabetized printed ballot for such post shall notify the county chairman or the chairman's designated representative in writing at least 72 hours prior to the opening gavel of the county convention/legislative district caucus. Notice of this procedure shall be contained in the convention/caucus call.

Rule 26 of the 2012 Washington State Republican Party Rules for Precinct Caucus and for Election of Delegates to State Convention

To County Chairman:

Please place my name on the alphabetized printed ballot for my county/legislative district as a nominee for delegate to the Republican State Convention.

Name _____ Address _____

Telephone (_____) _____ Email _____

Precinct _____ Legislative/Council/ 40 Congressional District 2

MY SIGNATURE BELOW INDICATES THAT I HAVE READ AND AGREE WITH THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT: "I DECLARE THAT I AM A MEMBER OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY, I AM A DULY REGISTERED VOTER AND LEGAL RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY, AND I HAVE NOT PARTICIPATED AND WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE 2012 PRECINCT CAUCUS OR CONVENTION SYSTEM OF ANY OTHER POLITICAL PARTY."

Signature _____ Date _____



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~ Informed ~
~ Vigilant ~**

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"Daddy," a little girl asked her father, "do all fairy tales begin with 'Once upon a time'? "

"No, sweetheart," he answered. "Some begin with 'If I am elected.'"

