ARAPAHOE COUNTY ACTION

Help make the GOP the party of trust, transparency and action! June 23, 2023

Watch the Voter Rolls – They Move

A lot of people are on vacation now (watching each others' houses/gardens/animals is a good way to develop relationships with neighbors!) Make the most of time with families and time to celebrate our independence. But also, remember now, in the off-season is the time to start looking at <u>voter rolls</u>, and keep checking back. Pay attention to when and where they expand and contract. (See if you can guess why?) Play around with the interactive data page showing past <u>voter turnout</u>, and laugh (or maybe cry) at our ridiculous <u>voter statistics</u> such as the 117-year-old voter, the centenarians who don't know their gender, the 5000 active voters – meaning, they get ballots – who are under 18.

Your Views Are the Popular Ones

How would you like to be able to speak in public about your views and concerns, and have most people nodding in agreement and wishing they could be courageous like you? Well, that's about where we are. That probably sounds a bit crazy, but that's how much the fake media has convinced people that conservatism is a fringe view. But it never was fringe, and it's rapidly becoming a lot more popular. For instance, Americans don't want to be seen as liberal, the class of 2023 belongs to no political party, while backlash grows as children demand viewpoint diversity and thousands show up for protests.

Upcoming Events

Gelato in June HEATHER GARDENS REPUBLICAN CLUB Fundraiser for Candidates – Aurora City Council, Aurora and Cherry Creek School District Boards of Education Tuesday, June 27th, 1:00 - 2:30 Heather Gardens Clubhouse 2888 S. Heather Gardens Way Aurora 80014

Prop HH Virtual Town Hall

"Review the recently passed legislation that will change our taxes and TABOR refunds! Regardless of what it is called...Proposition "HH" is not good for Coloradans!" Wednesday, June 28th, 7:15PM <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88686556165</u> Recording to be posted after meeting: <u>https://www.facebook.com/LaPlataCountyRepublicans</u> Text of Prop HH: https://www.leg.colorado.gov/bills/sb23-303

Election Crime Bureau Summit

Make plans now to watch one of the most important televised events ever.

August 16-17, 12-hour event, repeated on TV during the other 12 hours https://lindellevent.com/

Arapahoe County Current Issues

Should you sign? Here's a good <u>rule of thumb for signing petitions</u>: "Signing a petition is the first place you cast your vote. Would you vote for the initiative if it were on the ballot? Then, sign the petition. Otherwise, do all you can to not get it on the ballot."

Work with allies for the same goals: Recognizing that many Republicans are practically Libertarians, and vice versa, the state GOP has made an agreement with the Libertarian Party to work together to stop spoiler candidates handing elections to the Democrats. But "The Libertarians will only stand down if we recruit and nominate candidates who are more profreedom than not. They are not looking for the perfect candidate but they are making clear that our Party needs more nominees who will fight for limited-government in Denver and Washington D.C." Find some good candidates, NOW, or...BE that candidate!

Act, believing that God acts! "It isn't you that is supposed to deliver a miracle. That is God's job. Read your Bibles – God still requires action even when he is busy doing a miracle. David still picked up the stones, Joshua marched around Jericho, Moses stuck his staff in the sea, and Daniel willingly went to the den of lions. Christ himself even went to the cross, a sentence reserved for the most despised, heinous enemies of the Roman Empire. How are we supposed to drive out the vote, get eyes on the lowest levels of election administration that catch voter fraud (different than election fraud), and implement key policy locally and statewide when we can't even step up to fill the most basic leadership positions available pertaining to elections?" – <u>Seth Keshel</u>

Speak Up for Your County, City, Schools

Your biggest contribution is not your vote, but your involvement. You will have most effect if you start at your local level. Begin today, attending public meetings regularly – you will learn who the people are, whom to trust, and what motivates them. Don't get overwhelmed by the number of meetings – in many areas you could attend all the meetings up through the county level for an average time investment of just six hours a month! If you have nothing to say, listen – you'll almost certainly find something to say soon!

How to speak up

Check the website for changes; the schedule below may not have the most recent updates. For most people it's a good idea to write out ahead of time what you want to say and practice it a time or two to make sure it fits in the time limit.

Most councils/boards give you 3 minutes to speak, which is arguably infringing on your right to free speech, but in practice if you can't say what you have to say in 3 minutes, people will tune you out. If enough people show up to speak they may cut the allowed time to 2 minutes, so be prepared with what you would cut out if necessary.

Many meetings hold public comment time early in the agenda, so you don't have to stay for the whole meeting, though if you do, then they know you're watching them! Most meetings are recorded; you could catch up on the rest of the meeting later by playing the video during your drivetime.

Some boards have been known to move the public comment time until after the most boring parts of the meeting; if so, hang in there and wait; the more they try to discourage you, the more you know you are making a difference!

Arapahoe County Board of County Commissioners 9:30 am June 27, July 11, 25 (2nd and 4th Tuesday of month) East Hearing Room, Administration Building, 5334 S. Prince St. Littleton, 80120 https://www.arapahoegov.com/259/Board-of-County-Commissioners Sign up to speak at room entrance.

Incorporated Cities in Arapahoe County

Incorporated city	Upcoming city council/trustee meetings
Aurora	Time: 6:30PM June 28, July 17, 31 (usually every other Monday)
	Place: Aurora Municipal Center, 15151 E. Alameda Parkway
	Website:
	https://www.auroragov.org/city_hall/mayorcity_council/council_meetings
	Sign up to speak: Those attending in person may register to speak by completing
	the 'Public Comment on Agenda Item' online form prior to the meeting or by
	completing a speaker slip upon arrival at the Aurora Municipal Center (AMC) on
	the meeting date.
	https://www.auroragov.org/cms/One.aspx?portalId=16242704&pageId=16506621
Bow Mar	Time: 7PM July 17 (usually 3 rd Monday of month)
	Place: Columbine Valley Town Hall, 2 Middlefield Road, Columbine Valley
	Website: https://townofbowmar.colorado.gov/boards-meetings/trustee-meetings
	Sign up to speak: Speakers must sign in with Clerk (comments must be limited to
	3 minutes)
Centennial	Time: 7PM July 11, 18 (usually 1 st and 3 rd Tuesdays of month)
	Place: Council Chambers, 13133 E. Arapahoe Road, Centennial
	Website: https://www.centennialco.gov/Government/Mayor-Council/City-
	Council-Meetings
	Sign up to speak: The intake of public comments follows the time allowances
	during public hearings. Sign-up sheets are made available on the table at the back
	of the Council Chambers.
Cherry Hills Village	Time: 6:30PM July 18 (usually 1 st and 3 rd Tuesday of month)
	Place: Village Center, 2450 E Quincy Avenue
	Website: https://www.cherryhillsvillage.com/101/City-Council
	Sign up to speak: There is no need to sign up to attend in-person; if you would
	like to speak during audience participation there will be a sign-up sheet in the
	Council Chambers
Columbine Valley	Time: 6:30PM July 18 (usually 3 rd Tuesday of month)
	Place: Columbine Valley Town Hall, 2 Middlefield Road
	Website: https://columbinevalley.org/board-trustee-agendas-minutes/
	Sign up to speak: The Board of Trustees welcomes comments from the public at
	the beginning of each regular meeting. Each speaker will be limited to three
	minutes. There will be speaker sign-up sheets on the table at the back of the
	Council Chambers.
Deer Trail	Time: 7PM July 11 (usually 2 nd Tuesday of month)
	Place: Town Hall, 555 Second Ave., Deer Trail
	Website: https://townofdeertrail.colorado.gov/government/town-board-of-trustees
	Sign up to speak: Probably can sign in to speak at the door; call 303-769-4464 for
	more information.
Englewood	Time: 6PM July 17 (usually 1 st and 3 rd Mondays of month)

	Place: 2 nd floor of Civic Center, 1000 Englewood Parkway, Englewood
	Website: https://www.englewoodco.gov/government/city-council/meetings
	Sign up to speak: Please contact the City Clerk's office if you would like to sign
	up to speak at a Council meeting. The deadline to sign up to speak for Scheduled
	Public Comment is Wednesday by 5 p.m., prior to the meeting and you will be
	given 5 minutes to speak. All other speakers who do not meet the deadline will be
	added to Unscheduled Public Comment and will be given 3 minutes to speak.
Foxfield	Time: 6:30PM July 6 (usually 1 st and 3 rd Thursday of month)
	Place: Fire Station (probably Fire Station No. 42 located on Parker Road just
	south of Fremont Avenue)
	Website: https://townoffoxfield.colorado.gov/
	Sign up to speak: All meetings, except executive sessions, are open to the public.
	Occasional special meetings are held as needed. The Board relies upon the input
	of residents for many of the decisions they make. Public comment is encouraged
	and should be limited to 4 minutes per speaker
Glendale	Time: 7PM July 4 th ? (usually 1 st Tuesday of month)
	Place: 950 S. Birch St. Glendale
	Website: https://www.glendale.co.us/102/City-Council
	Sign up to speak: Probably can sign in to speak at the door; call 303-639-4708 for
	more information.
Greenwood Village	Time: 7pm July 3, 17 (usually 1 st and 3 rd Monday of month)
Sieenwood + mage	Place: City Hall, 6060 South Quebec Street, Greenwood Village
	Website: https://greenwoodvillage.com/1082/Mayor-City-Council
	Sign up to speak: Probably can sign in to speak at the door; call 303-773-0252 for
	more information.
Littleton	Time: 6:30 PM, July 18 (usually 1 st and 3 rd Tuesday of month)
Littleton	Place: Littleton Center, 2255 W Berry Ave, 80120
	Website: https://www.littletonco.gov/Government/Meetings/Upcoming-Mtgs
	Sign up to speak: Sign in to speak at the door
Sheridan	Time: 7PM July 10, 24 (usually 2 nd and 4 th Mondays of month)
Sheriuan	Place: Probably 4101 S Federal Boulevard Sheridan (try calling 303-762-2200 to
	ask why this is not easy to find on the website!)
	Website: <u>http://ci.sheridan.co.us/75/City-Council-Mayor</u>
	Sign up to speak: All meetings are open to the public; probably you can sign up
	there to speak.
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School Districts in Arapahoe County (most are not meeting until August)

School	Board meetings upcoming
district	
Adams-	Time: 6PM (usually 1 st and 3 rd Tuesdays of month)
Arapahoe	Place: APS Professional Learning and Conference Center, 15771 E. 1st Ave.
School District	Website: <u>https://boe.aurorak12.org/</u>
(Aurora Public	Sign up to speak: Public comment opportunities will be held at the second monthly
Schools)	meeting only. Individuals wishing to address the Board of Education for public
	comment are required to sign up in person before the scheduled Board meeting.
Byers 32j	Time: 6:55PM June 29 (usually 3 rd Thursday of month)

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	Place: Lecture Hall at Byers School District, 444 E. Front Street, Byers
	Website: <u>https://www.byers32j.k12.co.us/page/board-of-education</u>
	Sign up to speak: Audience participation is limited to in person only and following the
~ 1	established board policies. Try calling the district at 303.822.5292 for more details.
Cherry Creek	Time: 7PM (usually 2 nd Monday of month)
School District	Place: Different school every month; June is West Middle School, 5151 S Holly St.
	Website: https://www.cherrycreekschools.org/domain/82
	Sign up to speak: Cherry Creek policy is "Anyone who would like to address the Board
	at either a regular or special meeting (on the identified topic(s) for the special meeting)
	must sign-up electronically for public comment by providing their full name, street
	address, telephone number, email address, and the topic by no later than noon on the day
	of a regular Board meeting and by noon the day before a special Board meeting, using
	the sign-up link found on the Board of Education section of the District website." Start
	your involvement by increasing board transparency, because the sign-up link is well-
	hidden; try calling the Cherry Creek schools main line at 303-773-1184 and ask where is
	the sign-up link the policy refers to!
Deer Trail 26j	Time: 7PM (usually 2 nd Monday of month)
-	Place: Dorothy Pisel Meeting Room128 South Second Avenue, Deer Trail
	Website: https://www.dt26j.com/en-US/school-board-74a7995f
	Sign up to speak: Can't find instructions on website; try calling (303) 769-4421 or just
	showing up to meeting.
Englewood	Time: 6pm, August 1 (usually 1 st Tuesday of month)
School District	Place: ECE Boardroom - 3838 S. Huron St, Englewood, CO 80113
	Website: https://www.englewoodschools.net/our-district/board-of-education
	Sign up to speak: To speak to the Board during public comment, fill out a "Public
	Request to Comment" form, available at all Board meetings or via email. Give the
	completed form to the Secretary to the Board of Education before the meeting starts.
Littleton	Time: 6:30pm (usually 2 nd and 4 th Thursday of month)
School District	Place: LPS Education Services Center, 5776 S. Crocker Street, Littleton, CO 80120
	Website: https://go.boarddocs.com/co/lpsco/Board.nsf/Public
	Sign up to speak: At the website below from 4PM the day before the meeting to 4PM
	the day of the meeting, or fill out a card at the meeting.
	https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfcPqHXBstRSbyYaZmPkForlN MrIET
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Sheridan	Time: Probably 5:45pm (usually 2 nd Tuesday of the month)
School District	Place: Probably 4150 South Hazel Court, Englewood, CO 80110, try calling for more
	information at (720) 833-6991
	Website: <u>https://www.ssd2.org/BoardofEducation.aspx</u>
	Sign up to speak: No later than 24 hours prior to the board meeting, please email Polly
	Plancarte (pplancarte@ssd2.org) your request for "Audience with Board". Include in the
	email your name, phone number (your phone number will not be revealed), and a brief
	description of the topic. The board would also like to know if you are a staff member,
	parent, student, community member or business owner.
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