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ACRC Legislative Dinner 4-01-23

With a bit of “School House Rock” style, legislators and candidates previewed the critical upcoming election of School Board Directors in Adams County and statewide judicial positions at the Adams County Republican Committee’s Annual Legislative event on Saturday, April 1st.

Guests were welcomed by Adams County Republican Chair Charlotte Shaffer, Vice- Chair Jake Butcher and the “Bill from Capitol Hill” character. The event was recorded by Committee Members Mr. & Mrs. Smith, with photography by Ron Harris, both available for viewing at <https://adamsgop.org>

US Congressman John Joyce who represents Congressional District 13 and Pennsylvania House Rep Torren Ecker of the 193rd District gave attendees legislative updates, discussed recently introduced legislation and took questions from attendees.

With the election just over a month away, Judicial Candidates running for PA Supreme Court, Superior Court and Commonwealth Court shared the importance of electing “impartial and experienced judges to apply the law as written and not legislate from the bench” – Judge Carolyn Carluccio, Candidate for Supreme Court.

Speakers covering school board issues were: Candidates for Littlestown School Board Director Jenell Ressler and 19 year-old Nick Lovell; Bermudian Springs School Board Director Jenn Goldhahn; and Berwick Township Supervisor Pete Socks. Topics discussed were: parental rights, dangers of social emotional learning, critical race theory, inappropriate books accessible to students without parental knowledge or consent, parental rights, importance of focusing on core subjects, removing politics from schools, fiscal responsibility, accountability, and responsibilities.

The School House Rock theme with the “Bill from Capitol Hill” mingling throughout the night was a light-hearted reminder of a time when animation and music was used to introduce young minds to the legislative process and the how Government should work. For adults, the overall theme of the night helped attendees see the importance of having a solid foundation of these principles in our everyday lives.

As seen in our schools today, the lack of teaching the basics of civics and other core subjects have left our children at a disadvantage. Our youth are interested, and this event provided the elements necessary to capture their desire to engage for a better future.

The Adams County Republican Committee would like to extend thanks to the Gettysburg College Republicans for attending the event along with all other guests. A special thanks also to those who contributed to the ACRC gift exchange program.

