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CALENDAR

MAR 25 | 5 - 8 GARNETT PAYNE MEMORIAL

Join Garnett's husband, Charlie, and daughter, Morgan, at Carter Park, to share memories and stories of Garnett.

MAR 27 | 5:30 MARCH BOOK GROUP

BOOK: The Psychology of Totalitarianism by Mattias Desmit
HOSTS: Nancy and Sandy (Alexander) Gunow

APR 3 | 5:30 - 7 SUMMIT GOP CENTRAL COMM MEETING

Join us @Colorado Mountain College, 107 Denison Placer Rd, Breckenridge Auditorium.

APR 5 | 4:30 - 6 SOCIAL HAPPY HOUR

Cheers to Freedom: Join us for a fun face-to-face gathering of CT3 and Summit County Republican Women @ ECLECTIC, 501 Blue River Pkwy, Silverthorne.

APR 12 | 10 AM GATHER AT THE CAPITOL

April 12th is Legislative Day. Each year Boulder Republican Women coordinates an event and luncheon with our conservative legislators. To register go to BoulderRepublicanWomen.org and click on the event.

MAY 8 | 5:30 - 7 MAY GOP WOMEN MEETING

Location: Barb Tabb's home
RSVP to barbtabb@comcast.net or 720-291-2854.

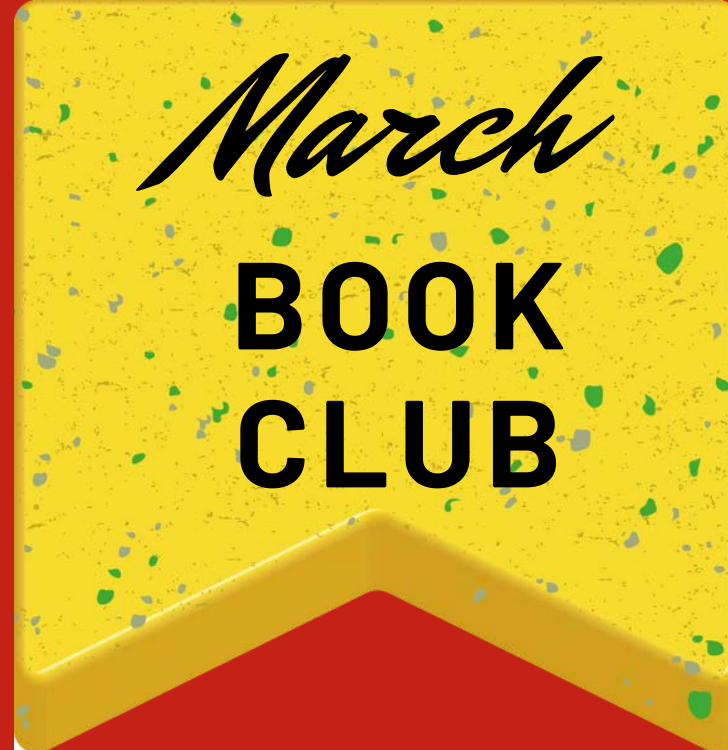
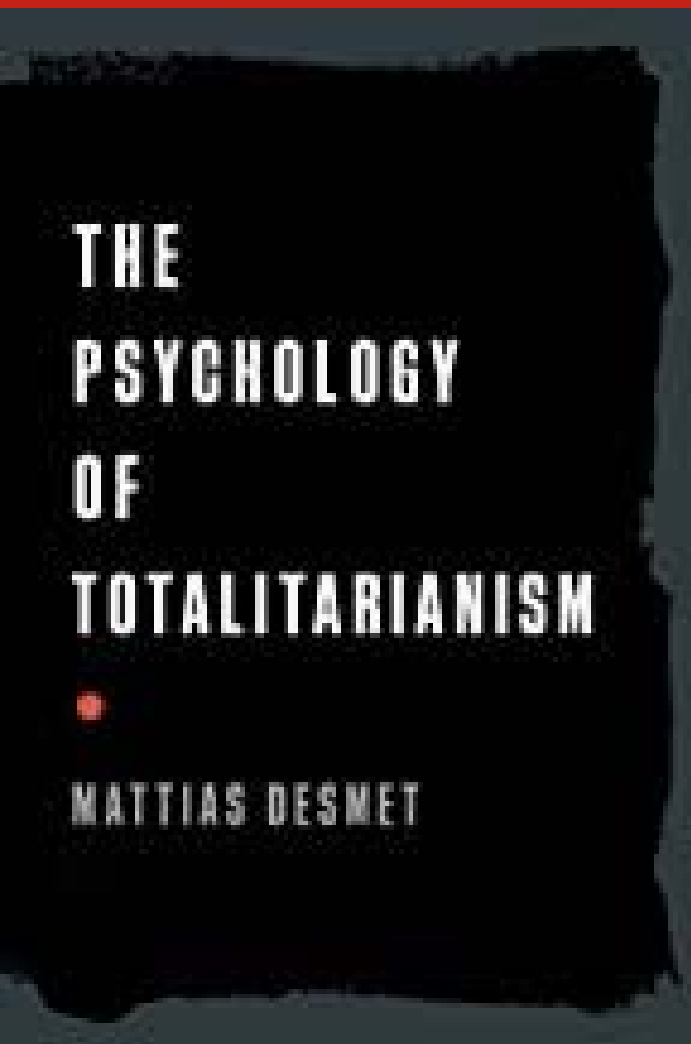
JUNE 9-10 | WESTERN CONFERENCE

Join us for the 14th Annual Western Conservative Summit!
Confirmed Speaker: Rep. Lauren Boebert

JUNE 10 | 12:00 CT3 FIREARMS EXPERIENCE

Your 2nd Amendment Experience: An Introduction to Firearms.
Don't wait to sign-up as we are limited to 24 people, 16 & older. This will be a fun, non-intimidating day with your hands on firearms.

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BOOK: The Psychology of Totalitarianism

AUTHOR: Mattias Desmet

MODERATOR: Maarten Meinders

DATE: Monday, March 27, 5:30 pm

HOSTS: Nancy and Sandy (Alexander) Gunow

Please bring an appetizer and/or beverage to share. All are welcome to attend - spouses, friends, family members. Please feel free to come, even if you have not read the book.

RSVP to Nancy at GunowN@aol.com or 248-568-6415.



JUNE 9-10, 2023 WESTERN CONSERVATIVE CONFERENCE

Join us for the 14th Annual Western Conservative Summit!

The Western Conservative Summit is one of the largest annual gatherings of conservatives outside of Washington, D.C. We aim to educate Americans on the key issues facing the West and our nation, equipping individuals to stand for faith, family, and freedom and training up the next generation of conservatives.

Our theme, Western Strong, strives to demonstrate the importance of the great Western tradition – from the foundational principles of Western civilization to the rugged individualism that characterizes the American West. At a time when Western civilization is being denigrated by the left, we want to remind attendees that it is our strong Western roots that make America the free nation that it is today.

Rep. Lauren Boebert (CO-03) will join us again at this year's Western Conservative Summit.

Registration questions? Contact our registration team: WCSinfo@yesevents.com or 1-866-455-8500.



WCC Conference

WHY I'M A REPUBLICAN

by Kathleen Branch

Republicans support education and parents' rights. Poverty is linked to poor academics and failing education. Baltimore, a long-time Democrat-led city, doesn't have one child who can do math at grade level. This tragedy, occurring across the nation, can be solved by national school choice. The cost of educating each student follows the child to the school of his or her choice, so everyone has the opportunity to attend a good school! Competition will improve educational outcomes and reduce the grip of teacher unions over children.

Republicans support EQUALITY with OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL. This allows for excellence. Let each person have the opportunity to achieve to their ability! Equity, the platform of the Democrats, does not allow for excellence; it forces the outcome, necessarily limiting success.

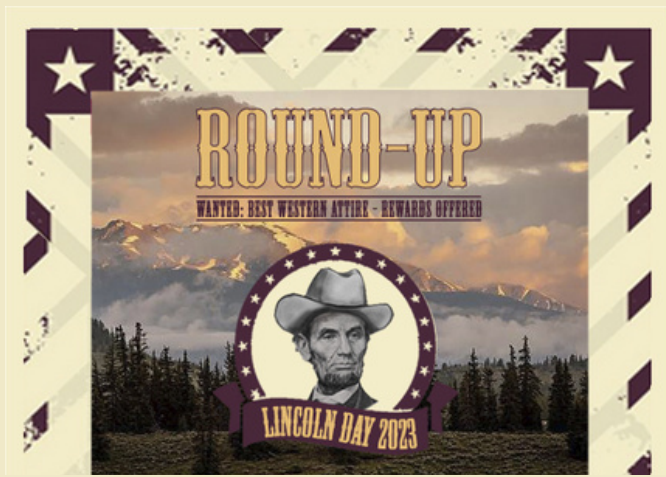
Republicans believe in individual excellence and government at a local level. We believe that individual freedom is best for everyone and for communities. Avoiding group think and government monopolies will make everybody's life better.

*"A government big enough to give you everything you want is
big enough to take everything you have"*

Gerald Ford 1974



Kathleen Branch is a long-time resident of Summit County, wife and mother of veterans of the US Air Force. She believes in INDIVIDUAL Excellence and government at a local level.



Lincoln Day Dinner Focuses on “The Golden Thread” of Education

Education was the focus of the March 4 Lincoln Day Dinner, organized by the Summit County Republicans and Summit County Republican Women. Featuring Kristi Burton Brown, Colorado GOP chair; Courtney Potter, Adams County school board member; and Dr. Brenda Dickhoner, CEO and president of Ready Colorado, the event emphasized that “education is the golden thread” of success for our children.

Brown emphasized, “Education is one of the civil rights issues of the day,” and she stated that every child has a right to the best possible education, whether through public schools, charter schools, private schools, or home schooling. Citing poor student performance results on statewide tests, she asked the concerned attendees what Republicans can do about education. “We must make education a top priority in Colorado. We can bring real solutions to the problems with education today.” One of those solutions is to stop the state from shutting down charter schools. Another is to make sure that school choice is in the constitution in Colorado. She concluded, “Let’s fix it for our kids! We can get this done!”

Potter provided the perspective of a school board member, noting that parents need to become more involved with school boards and what is happening in the classroom.

Dickhoner, formerly a policy expert at the Colorado Department of Education, delivered the keynote address, highlighting Ready Colorado’s role in supporting and defending bold education reform.

The majority of Summit County school students do not meet state standards for reading, writing, and math. “Education is one of the most important issues of our time, determining the future of our children and our country,” said Tess Scalise, president of the Summit County Republican Women. “That is why we dedicated this year’s Lincoln Day Dinner to this vital issue. We must all work together to give all our children their best chance for success.”



*Kristy Burton Brown
Colorado GOP President*

Photo Gallery