

# SAGINAW COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY



FEBRUARY 2026

## The FEB 3rd and MAY 5th Special Elections Matters More Than You May Think



# VOTE

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The Special Election for Michigan's 35th State Senate seat isn't just another local contest, it's one of the most important elections for conservatives across our state. This seat could decide whether Lansing continues under one-party Democratic control or whether Republicans finally push back and demand balance in state government.

Here's the bottom line: Republicans have a real chance to flip this seat, disrupt the Democratic majority, and put conservative voices back at the table on budgets, taxes, energy, education, and rule-making that affects every Michigan family. But none of that happens if we all don't vote.

- The Special Primary Election is Tues., Feb. 3rd. This is when Republicans choose our nominee.
- The Special General Election is Tues., May 5th.

This isn't just about Bay, Midland, & Saginaw Counties, the person elected will vote on the entire state budget and major policies that impact jobs, taxes, energy costs, and education throughout Michigan. When Republicans don't show up, Democrats win by default and push through their agenda without challenge.

Republicans, this is our shot to stop the one-party power grab in Lansing.

***YOUR VOTE MATTERS AND  
MICHIGAN'S FUTURE DEPENDS ON IT***

# EVENTS

**Special Primary Election**  
**State Senator for the 35<sup>th</sup> District**  
(Saginaw, Bay, & Midland Counties)  
Tues., Feb. 3rd

**A Conversation with Amir Hassan**  
by the College Republicans at Delta  
Delta Rm E110  
Feb 9<sup>th</sup> 5pm

**Executive Committee Meeting**  
Saginaw GOP HQ  
Thurs, Feb 12th, 6pm

**General Membership Meeting**  
Saginaw GOP HQ  
Thurs, Feb 12th, 7pm

**Saginaw County GOP Convention**  
SVRC Marketplace Ballroom  
Thurs, Feb 26th, 7pm

## *Gubernatorial Forum*

SVSU - Curtiss Hall  
Thurs, Mar 5th, 6pm  
(optional VIP Dinner 5pm)

**A Conversation with Tom Leonard**  
by the College Republicans at Delta  
March 10<sup>th</sup> 6pm

**State Endorsement Convention**  
Suburban Showplace, Novi  
Sat, Mar 28th

# Executive Committee

## OFFICERS

LORI PATTERSON	Chair
AMY CARL	Vice-Chair
DENNIS KRAJNIAK	Treasurer
KAREN ABATE	Secretary

## STATUTORY MEMBERS

### STATE SENATORS

KEVIN DALEY (DIST 26)  
ROGER HAUCK (DIST 34)  
\_\_\_\_\_ (DIST 35)

### STATE REPRESENTATIVES

BRIAN BEGOLE (DIST 71)  
MATTHEW BIERLEIN (DIST 97)  
TIM KELLY (DIST 93)

### COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MARK PIOTROWSKI (DIST 1)  
RICH SPITZER (DIST 3)  
TRACEY SLODOWSKI (DIST 5)  
DENNY HARRIS (DIST 6)  
JOHN L. KACZYNSKI (DIST 7)

### PRIMARY WINNERS

ANNETTE GLENN	JASON WISE
JAMES M. GRAHAM	CHET ATKINS
HERB JANKOWSKY	JANE COLLINS
WALTER J. RIBBLE	JAMES SHEPLER
TERIE ELBERS	ROBERT ZELLE

## ELECTED MEMBERS

JODY BECKER	JIM CONGER
DARRIN CUMMINGS	JANET DENEEN
JIM FLINT	BRIAN FORBES
MIKE GOSCHKA	SUZANNE HALL
NATE LIST	DAVID MAY
BRAD PYSCHER	TOM ROY
RICHARD SMITH	COLE STARKE
JANET STONEY	JASON TUNNEY
PHIL ZAROO	EZEKIEL ZELLE
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# SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION

## FEBRUARY 3RD

State Senator for 35th District  
(Bay, Midland, and Saginaw Counties)



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# 2026 Annual Membership Drive



## Join or Renew Online

<https://secure.anedot.com/saginaw-county-republican-party/79b4a9eb-5d7f-44ee-b387-068f1eaf6638>



I'd like to join/renew my Saginaw GOP membership

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ landline\_\_ cell\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Individual Membership \$35 \_\_\_\_\_ Youth (under 25) \$15 \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to: SCRC

"Saginaw County Republican Committee"

Mail to: Saginaw GOP, PO Box 698, Freeland, MI 48623

# Sweetheart Deal



## Gubernatorial Forum Couples VIP Dinner Ticket

**\$25 off**



**BUY NOW!**



thru Valentine's Day, Feb 14th

Choose from Three Plated Gourmet Dinners

Photo Opportunity with Governor Candidates

and more



Saginaw County Republican Party presents

# GUBERNATORIAL FORUM



*Moderator*  
**Dave Bondy**  
*Independent Journalist*



*Keynote Speaker at Forum*  
**Luke Malace**  
*Great Lakes Regional Manager  
Turning Point Action*

**March 5<sup>th</sup> 6PM**  
**In the Heart of Michigan**

**SVSU - Curtiss Hall**  
7400 Bay Rd, Saginaw 48604

**Forum Doors Open 5:30PM**

**VIP Early Entry 4:30PM**  
**VIP Dinner 5PM**



**MIKE COX   JOHN JAMES   PERRY JOHNSON   TOM LEONARD   ARIC NESBITT**

**General Admission Forum – \$60** includes Exhibit Area with statewide candidates & organizations, Buffet of Heavy Hors d’oeuvres & Refreshments, and Straw Poll

**VIP Exclusive Dinner with Gubernatorial Candidates – \$130 (Limited Availability)**  
Includes all above PLUS: Early Entry for a Private, full-service plated gourmet dinner, beverages (wine & beer) included, Professional Photo Opportunity, Swag Bag and Reserved Priority Seating at the Forum

Contact Lori Patterson, Chair with any questions  
saginawgopchair@gmail.com

*Purchase Tickets,*  
*Event Program Ads*  
*and Sponsorships*





**OFFICE VOLUNTEERS ARE  
NEEDED NOW**

**CAN YOU HELP FOR  
2 HRS OR 5 HRS,  
ONCE A WEEK  
OR ONCE A MONTH,  
CONTACT LORI at  
saginawgopchair@gmail.com**



**PRECINCT DELEGATES YOUR  
CALL TO CONVENTION HAS BEEN ISSUED!**

**THE COUNTY CONVENTION WILL BE HELD ON  
THURS., FEB 26<sup>TH</sup> AT SVRC BALLROOM  
CHECK-IN FOR CREDENTIALS BEGINS AT 6:15PM**

**ATTN: ENTRY DOORS WILL CLOSE AT 7PM**

**CONVENTION BEGINS AT 7PM**

**DELEGATES MUST BE CREDENTIALLED BEFORE 7PM**

**THE STATE ENDORSEMENT CONVENTION  
WILL BE HELD ON MARCH 28TH  
SUBURBAN SHOWPLACE, NOVI**

**THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL PRECINCT DELEGATE TRAINING IN  
PREPARATION FOR THE COUNTY CONVENTION AT THE SAGINAW GOP HQ  
THE WEEK PRIOR TO THE COUNTY CONVENTION, DELEGATES SHOULD  
WATCH FOR AN EMAIL WITH DATES, TIMES, AND FURTHER INFORMATION.**

Stay in the loop on Facebook: SAGINAW COUNTY REPUBLICAN DELEGATES  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2582995908729763>

MORE THAN EVER BEFORE,  
OUR COUNTRY, OUR STATE,  
AND OUR COUNTY ARE  
IN NEED OF PRAYER.

A NEW PRAYER GROUP  
IS FORMING NOW

TO MEET ONLINE  
AND/OR IN PERSON  
(YET TO BE DETERMINED).

NOW IS THE TIME  
TO GET IN ON THE  
PLANNING STAGE OF  
THIS NEW GROUP,  
HOPING TO BEGIN  
MEETING FOR THE FIRST TIME  
LATER THIS MONTH.

CONTACT JODY BECKER  
WITH YOUR AVAILABILITY  
AND IDEAS.

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