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McLean County Republicans

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Freedom Rally a Well Attended Success

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October 12, Sunday afternoon at Lake Bloomington, with beautiful, clear skies and just-right fall temperatures, provided the perfect backdrop for the Freedom Rally hosted by the McLean County Republicans. Davis Lodge was the ideal location to bring people together.

The program included wonderful live music from the Baier family string quartet from Gibson City. They provided wonderful patriotic selections to lift the spirit. Delicious barbecue sandwiches from Prairie Fire and Grill were on the menu.

The program included updates from State Representative Brad Halbrook from Shelbyville and Dan Caulkins, a former representative for McLean County. They are part of the Illinois Freedom Caucus. They provided updates on the upcoming Veto session and addressed questions.

We had a surprise visit from Republican gubernatorial candidate Ted Dabrowski. He spoke briefly about his desire to serve as the next governor of Illinois. He will face Darren Bailey and 5 other Republican candidates in the March primary.

A good number of ISU College Republicans and Turning Point members attended.

The evening was capped off by an inspiring message from Jasmyn Jordan, president of the McLean County Young Republicans and a reporter for Breitbart News Service. She shared her experience about her challenging years at the University of Iowa, where she suffered physical threats and abuse from the far-left students and faculty there. She testified before a Congressional committee concerning the abuse.

Her experience was a reminder of how essential our freedoms are and how the far-left movement would silence voices with intimidation and even violence. We must be ready to stand up for our rights and not be afraid to tell the truth. "Be the light in the darkness" was a valuable takeaway from what Jasmyn shared.



Republican Candidates for McLean County

The 2026 General Primary Election is March 17. The 2026 General Election is November 3.

2026 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES FOR MCLEAN COUNTY

Office	Candidate
Governor/Lt Governor	Darren Bailey/Aaron Del Mar Ted Dabrowski/Carrie Mendosa James Mendrick/Robert Renteriz Gregg Moore Rick Heidner
US Senate	Casandra Claiborne Pamela Denise Long Cary Capparelli Don Tracy Casey Chlebek John Goodman
16 th Congressional District	Darin LaHood John Kitoover
17 th Congressional District	Dillan Vancil Julie Bickelhaupt
Secretary of State	Walter Adamcsyk
State Comptroller	Bryan Drew
State Senate	Sally Turner-44th Chris Balkema- 53 rd
State Representative	Bill Hauter – 87 th Regan Deering- 88 th Tim Reustman- 105 th Jason Bunting- 106 th
County Clerk	Kathy Michael
County Sheriff	Jon Albee
County Treasurer	Rebecca McNeill
Regional Education Superintendent	Molly Allen
County Board #1	Andy Ziebarth
County Board #2	Bill Friedrich
County Board #3	Brian Bangert
County Board #4	Jerry Klinkner
County Board #5	Jeff Lord
County Board #7	Geoff Tompkins
County Board #10	Matt Steinkoenig



Save the Date



Save Our Schools Coalition First Meeting

A group of concerned parents and grandparents met on Wednesday to discuss developing a plan to address several issues within the local school district. Their initial concerns include keeping politics out of the classroom and ensuring that administrators treat families with respect.

Following the recent Unit 5 School Board meeting, many attendees felt that their concerns were not acknowledged or addressed by the board. Some community members have also raised questions about possible violations of Supreme Court rulings by teachers, as well as comments made by board president Alex Williams that many found inappropriate and offensive.

The group is committed to fostering respectful and constructive dialogue with school officials to ensure that all voices in the community are heard.

Join us for the **Next Step Meeting of the Save Our Schools Coalition on Saturday, November 8 from 9:00-10:30 a.m. at Freedom Baptist Church, 2006 Fox Creek Road in Bloomington.**

Learn what specific steps we can take to:

- Remove political indoctrination
- Stop the intolerance of conservative values.
- Improve accountability and education results.
- Elect responsive school board members.

Look forward to your participation.



REPUBLICAN NIGHT!

Join us for **Bison Hockey**

**December 5 at 7pm
Bison vs Kalamazo**

Join us for an exhilarating night of hockey, camaraderie, and patriotic spirit as the **McLean Co. Republicans and Young Republicans** take over the Bloomington Bison game vs. the Kalamazoo Wings! Feel the adrenaline as the Bison charge the ice and cheer them on to victory alongside your fellow GOP members and supporters.

Once your tickets are purchased, you'll get a confirmation email that includes an **option to donate to the McLean County Republicans.**

Grab your friends, family, and supporters and wear all **red!** Doors open at **6pm.** We can't wait to see you there!



Link to Ticket Purchase
bit.ly/4nQHxv7

**THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 6TH**

4:00 pm - 6:30 PM

LIL BEAVER BREWERY
5 FINANCE DR., BLOOMINGTON, IL

SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE
\$2,500 EVENT * \$1,000 PLATINUM * \$500 GOLD
\$250 SILVER * \$100 BRONZE

\$40 PER PERSON

For more questions or to RSVP, please contact:
sara@thenewberggroup.org or 815-513.5215

Coffee and Conversation

And as always, our Coffee and Conversation continues every Tuesday from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at our headquarters, 202 S. Eldorado, Bloomington.



Tuesday Coffee
AND CONVERSATION

Discuss topics of the day and keep informed about your community



Every Tuesday 10 am - 12 PM
Come and enjoy!
McLean County Republican Headquarters
202 S. Eldorado, Bloomington
www.McLeanCountyRepublicans.org

Restore Illinois Shop

Visit our Restore Illinois Shop located in our MCGOP Headquarters to pick up your Charlie Kirk shirt, a celebration of our 250th birthday shirt, and more.

Open 10am -1pm
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
Expanded Hours coming soon
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Express yourself with hats, shirts, flags and more

Charlie Kirk, Gulf of America, 250th Birthday, Veterans, and other patriotic styles
Your donation can be by check, cash or credit card.



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Mighty Parade Walkers—Labor Day 2025!

