

# Siskiyou Democrats Grassroots News

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## IT'S TIME TO GET ACTIVE!

### We need EVERYONE to get involved!

Like many of us, you are probably upset with what is now happening – particularly with the recent Supreme Court decision on Roe v Wade. And you should be! Here's a quote from the Lincoln Project, a group of former Republicans, addressing what may well be happening in our country:

*“Far from being a conservative bench, the decisions emerging from the Roberts’ Court are increasingly radical intrusions into liberty, privacy, and agency. Today’s decision goes far beyond the difficult and painful subject of abortion and must be seen as part of a larger movement to take rights away from the American people. **Authoritarian movements always tell you what’s coming, if you’ll listen.**”*

**Scary stuff.** So now, **more than ever before**, it is important that we elect Democrats to the Senate and House to pass laws that protect our freedoms. We can start right here by electing Max Steiner to Congress, and supporting other candidates throughout the US who will ensure the Senate and House retain their Democratic majorities.

**Get involved:** There are several organizations/campaigns where you can get involved. We've listed some of the things we are doing locally for Max **on page 3**. We've also listed the **key US Senate races and competitive California House races** which are important and feasible to win this November. So take a look at page 3 and let's get our country back on track!

## July/August 2022 EVENTS!

Please join your fellow Democrats at the following events!

- July 1-4**      **Mt. Shasta Fourth of July Celebration** – Volunteer at the Democratic Booth!  
Join us by volunteering using this doodle poll: [July 1-4 Booth Volunteers](#)
- July 4<sup>th</sup>**      **Mt. Shasta Fourth of July Parade** – March with your fellow Democrats and Max Steiner! If you are interested, send an email to [siskiyoudems@gmail.com](mailto:siskiyoudems@gmail.com)
- July 30<sup>th</sup>**      **Siskiyou Democrats BBQ** – Enjoy a lovely Saturday afternoon & a great BBQ at Carrick Park in Weed. (More details on page 4) Purchase tickets at: [7/30/22 Democrats BBQ](#)
- August 10-14**      **Siskiyou Golden Fair** – We will be back at the fair! Max Steiner will be joining local Democrats in the Booth. If you are interested, send an email to: [siskiyoudems@gmail.com](mailto:siskiyoudems@gmail.com)

## IN THIS ISSUE

**This issue is about one thing—getting involved.** It offers opportunities for all Siskiyou Democrats to come out in force this summer and join the millions of people of all parties across the country in making our voices heard. We're hosting local events that need your energy and time, and we suggest candidates across the country who need our support. And we offer a summary of the January 6, 2021 hearings underway in Congress, that need our full attention as we refuse to look away from the truth of what the Republican party is attempting in this country.

## SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR DEMOCRATS: March in the Mt. Shasta Parade!

Join Max Steiner and the Siskiyou County Democrats at the Fourth of July parade in Mount Shasta! Line-up begins at **11:30 am**, and the parade begins at noon.

The street fair is open **Friday, July 1, 5pm thru Monday, July 4, 2pm**. We will have a booth throughout the week-end. Stop by and visit, meet Max, and enjoy the other booths. There will be vendors, music, food, and fireworks if conditions permit. To volunteer to help, send an email to [siskiyoudems@gmail.com](mailto:siskiyoudems@gmail.com).

## BBQ with the SISKIYOU DEMOCRATS on JULY 30th

On **Saturday, July 30**, the Siskiyou Democrats will finally hold our first in-person fundraiser since 2019. Join us at **Carrick Park, just North of Weed at 3:30 PM for our BBQ and dessert auction**. The event will be outdoors, and we'll be serving teriyaki chicken, pulled pork, and vegetarian options. We will also have beer and wine for purchase. [Max Steiner](#) will be joining us! Tickets are \$30 until July 22, \$35 thereafter. Get your tickets early!

You can buy tickets through [ActBlue here](#), or you can send a check to: DCCSC , PO BOX 4, , Mt Shasta CA 96067



Support the Democratic Central Committee  
of Siskiyou County

**BBQ**

**Sat. July 30**  
3:30 - 8 PM

Join us outdoors in shaded  
Carrick Park  
19369 Maple Ave., Weed, CA 96094

**& Dessert Auction**

MEET MAX STEINER  
Help send Max to Congress  
and LaMalfa home!

\$30 per dinner. After July 22: \$35.  
Beer/wine for purchase. Veggie option.

Reserve tickets: [SiskiyouDemocrats.org](http://SiskiyouDemocrats.org)  
or send check: DCCSC, P. O. Box 4, Mt. Shasta, CA 96067

Carrick Park is located at **19369 Maple Ave** in the Carrick subdivision North of Weed.

Directions: Carrick Park is located off Highway 97 on Maple Street in Weed. To reach Highway 97, take the Central Weed Exit 747 off I-5, head north through town towards Klamath Falls.

Maple Street is about 2 miles up Highway 97. A right turn onto Maple will take you right to Carrick Park.

**PURCHASE TICKETS:** [7/30/22 Democrats BBQ](#)

## Meet Your Friends at the SISKIYOU GOLDEN FAIR!

The Siskiyou Dems will also be returning to the [Siskiyou Golden Fair](#) this summer, **August 10 thru 14**. We will be sharing a booth with Max Steiner for Congress. Max will be there meeting voters every day except Saturday. We're looking for volunteers to help operate the booth. If you are interested in working with Max at the booth, send us an email to [siskiyoudems@gmail.com](mailto:siskiyoudems@gmail.com).



### MAX in SISKIYOU COUNTY!

With all that's going on, we NEED a new Congressional representative! LaMalfa has voted NO on everything Democrats support. So let's get a Democrat in Congress to represent everyone LaMalfa ignores! Max will be in Siskiyou County for the following events, so please join us:

**Fourth of July Celebration in Mt. Shasta July 1-4**  
**Siskiyou Democrats BBQ fundraiser in Weed on July 30**  
**Siskiyou Golden Fair, August 10-14.**

## GET INVOLVED IN SUPPORTING OUR DEMOCRACY!

In these difficult times, we must commit to saving our democracy by electing Democrats to office! This is most important in the US Senate, where Democrats **do have the opportunity to increase their numbers this year**, and we hope you will help! Below is a list of the key US Senate/House races to support, as well as some websites that offer both analysis and opportunities for taking action.

**US SENATE:** These are seen as competitive US Senate races we need to win! You can support these candidates by visiting their websites (click on the names) and find out how to help with their campaigns.

Arizona – [Mark Kelly](#)  
California - [Alex Padilla](#)  
Florida – [Val Demings](#)  
Georgia - [Raphael Warnock](#)  
Nevada - [Catherine Cortez Masto](#)  
New Hampshire - [Maggie Hassan](#)  
North Carolina – [Cheri Beasley](#)  
Pennsylvania - [John Fetterman](#)  
Wisconsin (primary 8/9/22) - TBD

**US HOUSE (CA):** These are a few candidates with competitive races in CA that you can support:

District 1 – [Max Steiner](#)  
District 3 – [Kermit Jones](#)  
District 22 – [Rudy Salas](#)  
District 27 – [Christy Smith](#)  
District 42 – [Robert Garcia](#)

### How YOU can help locally!

For Max Steiner's campaign, we will be:

- Sending postcards
- Canvassing in Mt. Shasta, Weed, Dunsmuir
- Making phone calls to Get Out the Vote
- Participating in events Max will be attending
- Talking to your friends and family to encourage them to vote for Democrats

Send a note to [siskiyoudems@gmail.com](mailto:siskiyoudems@gmail.com) if you want to volunteer and we will get back to you!

### Organizations Supporting Election of Democrats:

Below is a list of a few key organizations supporting the election of Democrats nationwide. Each offers videos and ongoing insight into important events, and guidance as to how you can help. They address a range of Democrats, from moderate to progressive, so you can choose what fits for you!

**CADEM:** The official site of the California Democratic Party offers opportunities to volunteer in CA. Sign up!

**DNC:** The official site of the Democratic National Committee, with volunteer opportunities nationwide.

**Meidas Touch:** This pro-democracy, next-generation super PAC, founded by the Meiselas brothers, aims to protect American democracy, defeat Trumpism, and hold Republicans accountable.

**Vote Vets:** Elevates the voices of Veterans and military families through progressive legislative policies and electoral endorsements.

**Lincoln Project:** Formed by former Republicans, this is a leading pro-democracy organization dedicated to the preservation, protection, and defense of democracy. They have recently formed a coalition, "[The Union](#)" which both organizations and individuals can join.

**Swing Left:** For those of you who are on the progressive side, Swing Left is building a lasting culture of grassroots participation in winning elections for progressive candidates.

## What's Happening

The SISKIYOU DEMOCRATIC GRASSROOTS COMMITTEE and the SISKIYOU DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE meet monthly, on Zoom or in person, TBD. To attend either, send an email to: [siskiyoudems@gmail.com](mailto:siskiyoudems@gmail.com) for a link or info.

The Grassroots Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month (North County) and the second Tuesday of the month (South County). The Central Committee meets the second Wednesday of the month.

### **Your Democratic Central Committee of Siskiyou County (DCCSC):**

Officers: Alice Rogers – Chair, Abigail Van Alyn- Vice Chair, Katherine Shelton – Secretary, Robin Richards – Treasurer; Members: Neldena Anderson, Rick Green, Ann Herfindahl, Matthew Hilliard, Al Lugo, Carolyn Miller, Larry Marks, Dolly Verrue, and Karen Zeigler. For more information, visit our website: [siskiyoudemocrats.org](http://siskiyoudemocrats.org), Facebook page: [SiskiyouCountyDemocrats](#) or Instagram: [SiskiyouCountyDemocrats](#) or Twitter: [siskiyoudems1](#)  
Send donations to: DCCSC, Post Office Box 4, Mt. Shasta, CA 96067 or to: [Siskiyou Democrats Act Blue](#)

## This Quarter's Top Story: THE HEARINGS

By Abigail Van Alyn

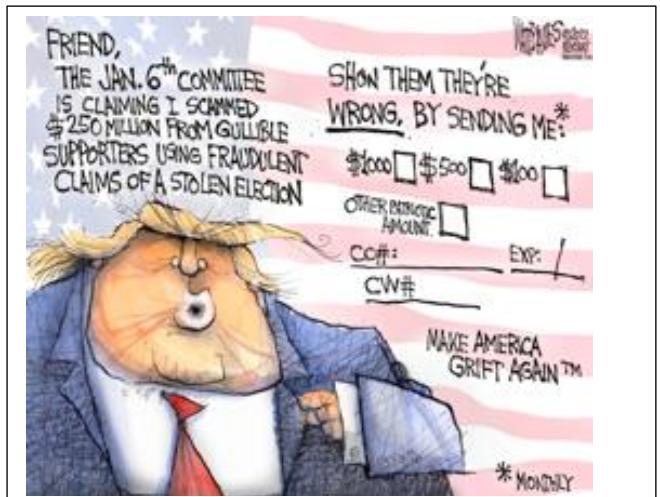
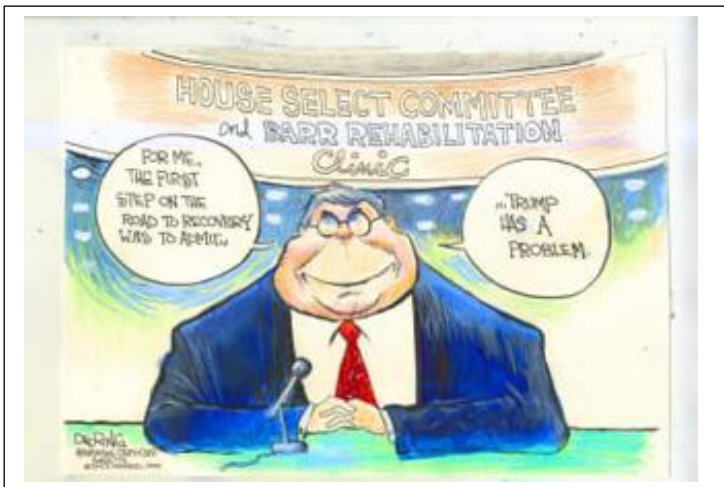
Of all the events grabbing headlines this summer—with the exception of last week's stunning Supreme Court decision, overturning Roe-v-Wade—perhaps the most important to Americans are the hearings being held by the bi-partisan Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol. As promised, the hearings have delivered surprising new information about the attack, while deepening our understanding of the coup's perpetrators inside the Trump administration and Congress. To watch now, you can find the hearings at: [Youtube Jan 6<sup>th</sup> hearings](#).

**Plotter in Chief:** Surprise #1 came in the first moments of the first hearing when Co-Chair Liz Cheney of Wyoming went straight for the jugular. She made crystal clear that the would-be coup was formulated, planned, instigated and driven by then-President Donald J. Trump, in a plot we now call The Big Lie.

**The Big Lie:** Never losing sight of this focal point, Cheney said, future hearings would outline a Seven-Point Plan concocted by Trump and his circle, to sow doubt about the legitimacy of the 2020 Presidential election and ultimately overturn the will of the people in order to remain in power. **(For the coup plan summary, see page 6).**

**The Big Ripoff:** And that's exactly what the hearings have done. **With testimony largely from Republican officials and prominent Republican observers,** a story is being told of a methodical and relentless slow-motion plot, beginning before the 2020 election, to destroy the foundations of American democracy. And, in what Zoe Lofgren of California has called “the Big Ripoff,” for Trump to raise a ton of money for corrupt purposes, however the chips might fall.

**The Truth Doesn't Matter:** Through an avalanche of testimony, much of it garnered under subpoena, we've learned just how many Trump aides, advisors, lawyers and officials, as well as outside courts and judges, informed Trump that his claims of election fraud were “nonsense” and “insane,” and that his efforts to direct Mike Pence toward insurrection were illegal. **As many commentators have suggested, the only way for Trump to claim he didn't know the truth would be to plead insanity.** *(continued on page 5)*



## THE HEARINGS (cont.) - What We've Learned

**The Players:** We've learned that an alarming number of members of Congress sought pardons before Trump left office. Coup plotter John Eastman also sought a pardon. And we've become aware of how many in the administration knew what was being plotted and *did nothing* publicly to warn either Congress or the Republican base of Trump's malign purpose. That includes the repulsively self-righteous former Attorney General Bill Barr, and several now-outraged lawyers who defended Trump in *both* of his impeachments.

**The Damage:** In what was the most painful hearing, we took a deep look into Trump's *personal efforts* to pressure key states, especially Georgia, Arizona, and Michigan, into actually rigging their elections in his favor. In the process, Trump and Rudy Giuliani *personally* attacked and deeply harmed election workers Shaye Moss and her mother, Ruby Freeman, as well as unleashing their supporters on many officials and their families, including children, who endured threats of violent rape, lynching, and assassination. To their great credit, Republican officials in the states withstood the pressure coming directly from the President, in spite of the danger.

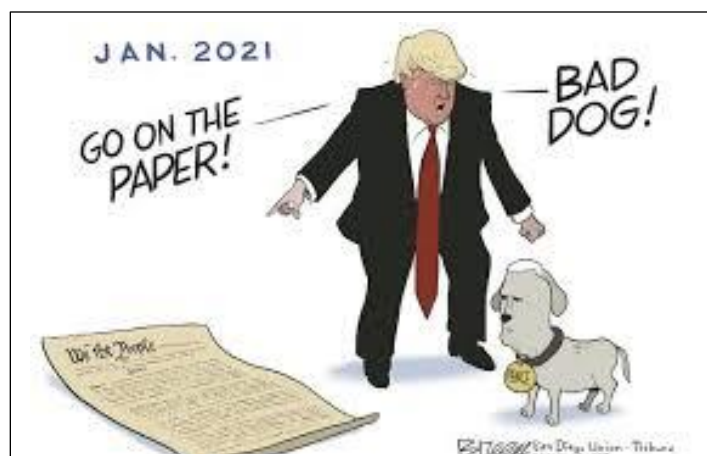
**Assault on the DOJ:** In Hearing #5, June 23, 2022, we had the searing testimony of DOJ's heroic post-Barr leadership, who described Trump's *personal* assault on the department, the facts, the evidence, and the rule of law over the months after the 2021 election, in an effort to install his illegitimate slates of electors. We've learned that plot facilitator Jeff Clark was hand picked by Rep. Scott Perry (PA), that John Eastman, through Trump, had installed a mole, Ken Klukowski, inside the DOJ to assist Clark in the coup plot, and that many \*members of Congress\* were involved, to the point of seeking pardons. **There's so much mind-bending information here, that this one is a must-watch!**

**The Militias:** We've learned that on January 6 the paramilitary group Proud Boys played a pivotal role, arriving in force at a vulnerable Capital entry point well *before* Trump's speech at the ellipse, and leading the charge when Trump gave the order to "fight like hell." This goes to the heart of Republican's claims that the riot was, at worst, a "protest that got out of hand."

**The Threat to Mike Pence:** We've learned that Trump, tweeting against Mike Pence when he knew that the Capital had been invaded, was inviting the rioters to harm or even kill his VP when Pence refused to criminally reject electors' votes. As one aide testified, "[Trump] threw gasoline on the fire," while many were pleading with him to call off the dogs. And as one Proud Boy put it, under oath, "If we'd found Mike Pence, we would have killed him."

**The Heat is On:** On June 21, right after Hearing #4, the FBI was reported to have delivered subpoenas to those who participated in the fake elector scheme. And on June 23, right before Hearing #5, FBI agents conducted a pre-dawn search at the home of coup plotter Jeff Clark. The DOJ is clearly actively investigating all levels of the insurrection.

\*Pardons were sought by Scott Perry (PA), Matt Gaetz (FL), Louis Gohmert (TX), Andy Biggs (AZ), Marjorie Taylor-Greene (GA), and Mo Brooks (LA). (*continued on page 6*)

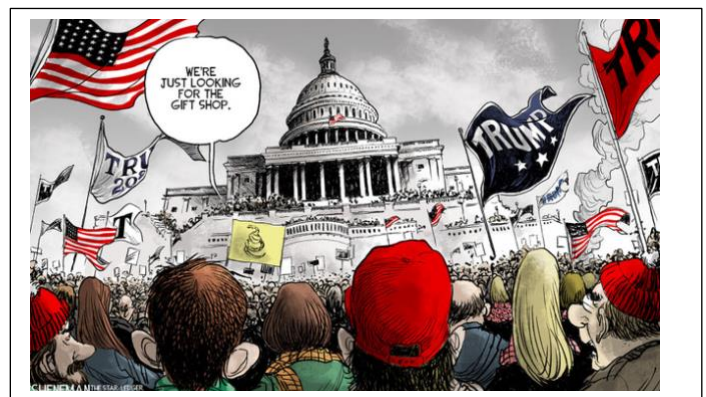


## The Hearings (cont.): What Can WE Do?

**It's all Tied Together:** Trump, his disregard for human rights and law, his chosen Supreme Court justices' willingness to make overtly political, vastly unpopular decisions on Roe, and on concealed carry, are just the beginning of what we can expect if Republicans return to power. Just take a look at Clarence Thomas' byzantine Roe opinion if you wonder what's coming. It's time to get active, and support those fighting for our safety and our rights in less fortunate states.

**Local Action:** Please tune in and learn all you can ahead of our push to elect women's rights candidate, Max Steiner, to Congress, and protect our local election officials and school boards from coup-supporting attacks like those we've seen in Shasta County and across the country. **What happens now will affect us all for decades to come. Get involved!!**

**JOIN US! Come out for events** on July 4 in Mount Shasta, our fundraiser in Weed on July 30, and help support our booth at the Fair in Yreka in August. **Sign up** to send postcards in support of Max Steiner's campaign and **stay tuned** for more ways to volunteer. **Let's continue to make Democrats' presence felt in Siskiyou County!**



## The Official COUP PLOT Summary

- President Trump engaged in a massive effort to spread false and fraudulent information to the American public claiming the 2020 election was stolen from him.
- President Trump corruptly planned to replace the Acting Attorney General, so that the Department of Justice would support his fake election claims.
- President Trump corruptly pressured Vice President Pence to refuse to count certified electoral votes in violation of the US Constitution and the law.
- President Trump corruptly pressured state election officials, and state legislators, to change election results.
- President Trump's legal team and other Trump associates instructed Republicans in multiple states to create false electoral slates and transmit those slates to Congress and the National Archives.
- President Trump summoned and assembled a violent mob in Washington and directed them to march on the US Capitol.
- As the violence was underway, President Trump ignored multiple pleas for assistance and failed to take immediate action to stop the violence and instruct his supporters to leave the Capitol.