

Wisconsin Conservative and Libertarian Organizations: Comments

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<p>Americans for Prosperity – Wisconsin</p>	<p>https://americansforprosperity.org/state/wisconsin/</p> <p>Eric Bott, State Director</p> <p>Stefon Kappes has office in eastern Green Bay</p> <p>Tara Czachor NE WI Outreach Coordinator tczarcho@afphq.org</p>	<p>See the entry for AFP National for mission etc. AFP claims to have “over 124,000 activists across the state of Wisconsin who are taking action every day on behalf of the free market movement and influencing decision makers.” In 2014, during Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker's campaign for reelection, AFP spent \$866,000 on a statewide ad buy featuring a 30-second television spot titled “It’s Working.”</p> <p>AFP Wisconsin was one of 29 conservative organizations that were targeted during the John Doe investigations, beginning in 2010 and ending in 2015, were launched by Milwaukee County District Attorney John Chisholm (D) into the activities of staff and associates of Gov. Scott Walker.</p> <p>AFP ramps up its activities during election seasons, manning phone banks and doing door-to-door canvassing.</p> <p>According to Ballotpedia, Eric Bott, the director of AFP Wisconsin, is a former Director of Environmental and Energy Policy for Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce. Before his time with WMC, Bott was a staffer in the Wisconsin legislature, serving most recently as the policy director for state Senate Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald, a Republican.</p>
<p>American Majority - Wisconsin</p>	<p>http://americanmajority.org/wisconsin</p> <p>11501 N Port Washington Rd, Mequon, WI 53092, Phone 262-241-7945</p> <p>Nate Nelson Wisconsin Executive Director nate@americanmajority.org</p>	<p>The state affiliate of American Majority. See the entry for the national organization for a history of what AM did in Wisconsin in the past. Matt Batzel, the national executive director, started out in Wisconsin.</p> <p>According to its website, “We have recently opened a permanent state office in Wisconsin. Our American Majority training team will conduct our premier trainings designed to help the citizens of Wisconsin translate their passion for liberty into real-world results in their communities. For a list of in-state events scheduled in the next 30 days, click here. To get in touch with our Wisconsin staff, contact Nate Nelson at nate@americanmajority.org or Matt Batzel at mattb@americanmajority.org.</p> <p>(However, the event link goes to Texas, not WI, and no events were scheduled.)</p> <p>It held an event at The Roxy Supper Club on February 22, 2022, Oshkosh, with an NRA spokesperson as speaker. Next meeting was March 22, location not disclosed.</p> <p>The current executive director is Nate Nelson. Here is his bio from the website: “Nate Nelson</p>

		<p>has been with American Majority since March of 2015, first as a Field Director, before being promoted to Wisconsin Executive Director in 2016 where American Majority has now trained well over 200 conservative candidates who have gone on to win their elections. Nate has built a career shaping public policy through grassroots efforts. He cut his teeth organizing at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, actively involved in student government, political campaigns and student org development. Nate put those skills to use as an LI Field Representative, GOTV Field Representative for Governor Walker's last County Executive race, State Senate Campaign Manager, and Legislative Assistant in the Wisconsin State Capitol.</p> <p>“Before joining American Majority, Nate has worked as Wisconsin’s NRA Campaign Field Representative helping to elect a pro-gun Governor, Americans For Prosperity Field Coordinator, Heritage Action For America’s Regional Coordinator and Chairman and Vice-Chairman of his County’s Republican Party.”</p>
Appleton Business and Professional Chapter		A project of the John Birch Society, also goes by the name Fox Valley Conservative Forum. See entries below.
Badger Institute	<p>www.badgerinstitute.org</p> <p>700 W. Virginia Street #301 Milwaukee, WI 53204 Phone 414/225-9940 info@badgerinstitute.org</p> <p>Mike Nichols, president</p> <p>Angela Smith, director</p>	<p>An excellent source of original research on Wisconsin public policy issues with a conservative-libertarian perspective. The think tank’s website sorts publications, news releases, etc. into eight “initiatives” on Criminal Justice, COVID-19, Dental Therapy, Education, Licensing and Regulation, a Project for 21st Century Federalism, Transportation, and Workforce.</p> <p>“The Badger Institute, formerly the Wisconsin Policy Research Institute, is a nonpartisan, not-for-profit institute established in 1987 working to engage and energize Wisconsinites and others in discussions and timely action on key public policy issues critical to the state’s future, growth and prosperity. The institute’s research and public education activities are directed to identify and promote public policies in Wisconsin that are fair, accountable and cost-effective.</p> <p>“Through original research and analysis and through public opinion polling, the institute’s work focuses on such issue arenas as state and local government tax policy and spending, including related program accountability, consequences and effectiveness. The Badger Institute is guided by a belief that competitive free markets, limited government, private initiative and personal responsibility are essential to our democratic way of life.”</p>
Brown County Taxpayers Association	<p>www.bctaxpayers.org</p> <p>P. O. Box 684 Green Bay, WI 54305-0684</p>	A grassroots taxpayer and Tea Party group that has been around for a long time. Produces “The Tax Times,” a bimonthly newsletter containing notes from meetings and some original news and commentary. See the latest one at https://www.bctaxpayers.org/sites/default/files/2022-01-Jan-Feb.pdf

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<p>College Republicans - Wisconsin</p>	<p>https://www.wicrs.gop/</p> <p>John Beauchamp, Chairman University of Wisconsin— Whitewater</p> <p>Lily Schwenk, Vice Chairwoman University of Wisconsin— Madison</p> <p>The website identifies the following chapters in NE Wisconsin:</p> <p>University of Wisconsin - Green Bay Chair: William Terry Email: terrwr03@uwgb.edu</p> <p>University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh Chair: Jack Petersen</p>	<p>From the website: The Wisconsin Federation of College Republicans strives to fulfill a message [sic] of smart, compassionate conservatism. One that says success in life is not determined by your parents, nor by the mighty hand of the government, but rather, success is determined by each and every one of us.</p> <p>“In 2022, we're going to share that message with young people all across this great state. We're going to let conservative students on campus know that they're not alone. We're going to win over the hearts and minds of undecided voters.”</p>

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<p>Empower Wisconsin</p>	<p>https://empowerwisconsin.org</p> <p>P.O. Box 310 Waunakee, WI 53587 (608) 441-5110 info@empowerwisconsin.org</p> <p>Eric O’Keefe, president</p> <p>Valerie Johnson Secretary/Treasurer</p> <p>Matt “M.D.” Kittle Executive Director 10 E. Doty Street #837 Madison, WI 53703</p>	<p>Empower Wisconsin, started in 2019 by long-time libertarian and Republican activist Eric O’Keefe, calls itself “Wisconsin’s premiere conservative information hub.” It aims to “amplify the voices of conservative organizations, educate and mobilize activists, and serve as a watchdog that holds our elected officials and the media accountable. ... Empower will train leaders and grassroots activists to communicate effectively through policy briefings, talking points, videos, and audio podcasts.”</p> <p>EW sends out a daily email linking to one or two Wisconsin-specific articles and some national commentary of interest to conservatives. Nothing on the website, or two related websites WisconsinSpotlight.com and FailingWisconsin.com, suggests that Empower is actually collecting, rebroadcasting, or reporting on the activities of any other conservative groups in Wisconsin, other than the Republican Party and possibly the chamber of commerce. It is not tracking legislation, vetting candidates, and not issuing calls for action. Its output seems mostly anti-Evers articles written by Matt “M.D.” Kittle, who is identified elsewhere as a reporter for the MacIver Institute, The Federalist, and Wisconsin Watchdog.</p> <p>The only staff named on the website are O’Keefe and Johnson, but Matt Kittle was identified as president in an open letter released by a coalition of groups in 2021 and elsewhere as executive director. See “Free Market Coalition” entry.</p>
<p>Family Research Council - Wisconsin</p>	<p>https://www.frc.org/</p> <p>The “state chapter” link on this page directs you to:</p> <p>Wisconsin Family Council, Inc. Julaine Appling, President http://www.wifamilycouncil.org 608-256-3228</p>	<p>See entry for Wisconsin Family Action and Wisconsin Family Council. The Family Research Council is one of the country’s leading pro-life and pro-family national advocacy groups. Founded in 1983 and based in Washington DC, its main program is to produce “Washington Watch with Tony Perkins,” a daily one-hour radio program. The online postings have many useful links on current issues and conservative priorities. From the website:</p> <p>“FRC is a nonprofit research and educational organization dedicated to articulating and advancing a family-centered philosophy of public life. In addition to providing policy research and analysis for the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of the federal government, FRC</p>

	608-256-3370 fax	<p>seeks to inform the news media, the academic community, business leaders, and the general public about family issues that affect the nation from a biblical worldview.”</p> <p>FRC rarely comments on state public policy issues, including Wisconsin, leaving that to state chapters. The national organization is mostly Wash DC centric and holds few events.</p>
Fox Valley Conservative Forum		<p>“Promoting good government and a better Wisconsin.” Also uses the title Appleton Business and Professional Chapter, a project of the John Birch Society. (See separate entry.) 537 followers on Facebook, but the page is only infrequently updated since 2018. It may have had a website at one time (http://www.fvcforum.com/) but that link is broken.</p>
Fox Valley Initiative	<p>https://www.facebook.com/FVCFforum?ref=py_c</p> <p>https://www.facebook.com/The-Fox-Valley-Initiative-122421356901/</p>	<p>Fox Valley Initiative meets first Mondays at Freedom Project Academy, 750 N. Hickory Farm Lane, Appleton, WI 54914 (near the intersection of Hwy 96 and Lynndale Drive). Note that the Freedom Project Academy is a project of the John Birch Society. Check the Facebook page for speakers and details of events.</p> <p>Fox Valley Initiative is a group of conservatives in the Appleton Fox Valley area interested in local, state and federal issues that impact our lives. We are a Political Action Committee group promoting conservative values in the Fox Valley area of Wisconsin</p> <p><i>How was it formed?</i> Fox Valley Initiative originated in 2009 as a reaction to perceived threats to our constitutional freedoms being advanced by the Obama administration. Concerned Appleton and surrounding residents came together in a series of meetings and formed the Fox Valley Initiative.</p> <p><i>What is our purpose?</i> Fox Valley Initiative seeks to inform, educate and activate those who share our values to influence local, state and federal elected officials. Issues we have undertaken include the Fox WI Heritage Parkway, Fox Wisconsin National Water Trail, School Choice and Common Core. We have also addressed local school board and county board issues, plus dropping literature in political elections.</p>
Freedom Project Academy	<p>https://fpeusa.org/</p> <p>750 N. Hickory Farm Lane, Appleton, WI 54914 (near the intersection of Hwy 96 and Lynndale Drive).</p> <p>Ph. 920.749.3793 information@fpeusa.org</p>	<p>Founded in 2011, Freedom Project provides various ways to faithfully educate America, including our fully accredited online academy, partnership to provide live classes to churches and private schools across the country, Common Core Free curriculum developed in-house, and award-winning media.</p> <p>Freedom Project Academy is a project of American Opinion Foundation, Inc., itself a project of the John Birch Society. “In 2005, American Opinion Foundation was formed under the direction of Arthur R. Thompson, the then newly appointed CEO of the John Birch Society.” It says it is committed to freedom, responsibility, principles, and character.</p>

	<p>Dr. Duke Pesta Executive Director pestaj@fpeusa.org</p>	<p>Note the Fox Valley Initiative meets here on first Mondays.</p> <p>Duke Pesta, the executive director, is an assistant prof. of English at UW-Oshkosh. According to his bio at The Heartland Institute (where he is a policy advisor), “He is currently in demand on the speaking circuit as one of America’s foremost authorities on the dangers of Common Core, having delivered over 500 hundred talks in 46 states. He has also testified about Common Core before a number of state legislatures, and participated in more than 3000 radio, television, and Skype interviews about Common Core and contemporary education, including international interviews, from Canada to China, and from Mexico to the U.K.”</p>
<p>Free Market Coalition</p>		<p>This is probably only an ad hoc group rather than an ongoing effort, but it is worth noting that five free-market groups in Wisconsin collaborated on an open letter in 2021 opposing Gov. Evers’ slush fund for economic development. They were:</p> <p>Mike Nichols, President, Badger Institute Eric Bott, State Director, Americans for Prosperity-Wisconsin Brett Healy, President, MacIver Institute Rick Esenberg, President & General Counsel, Wisconsin Institute for Law & Liberty Matt Kittle, Executive Director, Empower Wisconsin</p> <p>Note that Matt Kittle was not identified as executive director on the Empower Wisconsin website on March 25, 2022.</p>
<p>Institute for Reforming Government (IRG)</p>	<p>https://reforminggovernment.org</p> <p>P.O. Box 180291 Delafield, WI 53018 Madison, WI</p> <p>No phone number or email address on their website.</p> <p>CJ Szafir, president</p> <p>Chris Reader, EVP</p> <p>Jason Church, community outreach fellow</p>	<p>IRG was formed in 2018 by former long-time staffers to Republican officials in Wisconsin and Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce. Scott Walker was formerly honorary chairman of the new group. Bill Johnson, treasurer, is the former finance chair of the Republican Party of Wisconsin. In its first year, IRG had income of \$300,000.</p> <p>IRG says its “main focus will be to remove the onerous barriers and red tape separating the individual from an efficient and functioning government. Be it local, state, or federal governance, it is the mission of IRG to encourage educate and inform people about all levels of government, based on what has worked in states across the country. Through diligent research and effective outreach, the Institute for Reforming Government will work to remove the stumbling blocks that have created a slow-moving, expensive behemoth of governance that works against the will of the people.”</p> <p>In 2021 IRG launched its rebranded website with updated features, including a page to “tell your story,” a first-of-its-kind budget dashboard, and pages for its five main policy issue areas.</p> <p>Charles “CJ” Szafir , the president, is the former executive vice president of the Wisconsin</p>

		<p>Institute for Law & Liberty and serves as the vice president of the Milwaukee Lawyers' Chapter of the Federalist Society.</p> <p><i>Other staff:</i></p> <p>John Gray, policy fellow, mostly recently serving as Deputy Assistant to President Donald Trump and Director of Policy for Vice President Mike Pence.</p> <p>Madison Hartmann, director of external affairs, former communications director for Congressman Mike Gallagher.</p> <p>Chandler Swansen, donor relations, previously led fundraising efforts for Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce, Gov. Scott Walker, and Congressman Sean Duffy.</p>
Kimberly Parents for Optional Masks for 21-22	https://www.facebook.com/groups/481005063145436	<p>“This group is for the parents who believe we should have the choice to put mask on our child.” Created in 2021, it had 197 members on Facebook in March, 2022.</p>
Lucy Burns Institute	http://www.lburnsinstitute.org/	<p>The Lucy Burns Institute (LBI) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization based in Middleton, Wisconsin. It was founded in 2006 and sponsors Ballotpedia. Since 2016, the Lucy Burns Institute conducts business using the name Ballotpedia. See entry for Ballotpedia under Election Resources. According to the website, “we also provide Premium Research Services; sell access to our election and political information (such as candidate lists, information about ballot measures, and more) via our API; and receive revenue through digital ad sales.” Annual budget in 2020 was \$8 million.</p>
MacIver Institute	<p>https://www.maciverinstitute.com/</p> <p>10 E. Doty Street, Suite 800 Madison, Wisconsin 53703 Phone: 608.588.6477</p> <p>Brett Healy, President</p>	<p>A terrific conservative-libertarian think tank based in Madison that promotes free markets, individual freedom, personal responsibility and limited government. Lots of Wisconsin-specific research on Covid, critical race theory in schools, the Evers administration, taxes, and much more. Their study on CRT in Wisconsin is here: https://www.maciverinstitute.com/2021/05/critical-race-theory-in-wisconsin-k12-education/</p> <p>Chairman of the board is Steve Fettig, a board member (there seem to be very few) is Jim Leef.</p>
Manitowoc County Constitutional Caucus	<p>https://www.facebook.com/Manitowoc-County-Constitutional-Caucus-110238508078903/</p> <p>1402 Clark St. Manitowoc, WI 54220-5111</p>	<p>Conservative Tea Party group, hosting an event with David King, candidate for Lt. Gov., on March 3 at the Holiday Inn in Manitowoc, with opening remarks on crypto currency! Another event on March 13, 12:00 pm, “An afternoon with Dr. Patrick Flynn in Two Rivers” at the Lighthouse Inn on Lake Michigan., 1515 Memorial Dr, Two Rivers. A very interesting guy... I believe they hosted an event for LP candidate for Congress Jacob John Vandenplas.</p>

<p>N.E.W. Patriots</p>	<p>https://www.wi-cc.com/new-patriots.html</p> <p>Linda Clemedtson northeastwipatriots@gmail.com</p>	<p>North Eastern Wisconsin Patriots, normally meets on the third Tuesday of the month at Lawrence Town Hall, 2400 Shady Ct, De Pere (just off Hwy. 41). Meetings are free and open to the public and often feature elected officials, candidate forums, or experts on hot topics. Check the calendar for details on the time, location, and topic and make sure to sign up for our email list to get the latest updates.</p> <p>NEW Patriots held a "Brown County Supervisor Candidate Forum" on Tuesday March 15th. There are 26 Supervisory Districts in Brown County. N.E.W. Patriots invited all candidates in districts with more than one county supervisor candidate on the election ballot to the forum . Six or seven attended, about 30 people were in the audience. NEWP has hosted two showings of the documentary film "Capitol Punishment," once in De Pere and once in Chilton. It is in the process of upgrading its website.</p>
<p>Parents Rights in Education - Wisconsin</p>	<p>https://www.parentsrightsined.org/wisconsin.html</p> <p>WI-PRIE@protonmail.com</p>	<p>Wisconsin chapter of national organization devoted to "valuing students, empowering parents and supporting communities to secure great educations for public school children in America. A tax-deductible non-profit organization established in 2011, PRIE has inspired parents all over the nation and beyond to restore parents' rights in education."</p> <p>The website has a wealth of information and links concerning school boards, critical race theory, Covid policies, school choice, and much more.</p>
<p>Recipes for Freedom</p>	<p>https://www.facebook.com/groups/242570090542394/</p> <p>Kyle Yudes</p>	<p>A project of Kyle Yudes, candidate for Lt. Governor. His campaign website is https://www.yudesfortlgovernor.com/. Some of his videos are available on Rumble, see https://rumble.com/user/RecipesForFreedom.</p> <p>I see videos, but not much else. I think it is mostly a Facebook thing. He's pro-constitution, anti-Covid shutdowns.</p>
<p>Rise Up Wisconsin</p>	<p>https://riseupwisconsin.com/</p> <p>5300 S. 108th St. Suite 15#194 [not a typo], Hales Corners, WI 53130</p> <p>David A. Clarke, Jr., president</p>	<p>Clarke is former Sherriff of Milwaukee, African American, a dynamic speaker and charismatic guy. This is a recently formed 501(c)(4) to keep his name in front of folks, I suppose. It is light on content, mostly a few of his commentaries. He's staked out a strong stand against Speaker Robin Vos, saying he's an advertisement for term limits and should not interfere in the election fraud investigation or be trying to play "kingmaker" for the next governors race.</p> <p>"Our mission: 1) Organize, listen, inform, and activate (giving a voice to grass roots citizens), 2) Make state government accountable to voters/taxpayers, 3) A return to citizen legislators and away from career politicians, 4) Reduce the size of the footprint that state government has in the lives of individual."</p> <p>He has a 9-plank agenda that is all good.</p>

<p>School Choice Wisconsin</p>	<p>https://schoolchoicewi.org/ 350 Bishops Way, Suite 104 Brookfield, WI 53005 Phone: 414-319-9160 Email: scw@parentchoice.org</p> <p>Nicholas Kelly, President</p> <p>Carol Shires, Vice President of Operations</p>	<p>School Choice Wisconsin (SCW) is devoted to defending and promoting Wisconsin’s pioneering school choice program, which allows public funding to follow students to the schools chosen by their parents. The website refutes four common myths, offers a “toolkit” for understanding and defending the program from critics, and application forms for parents.</p> <p>I had seen a Jim Bender mentioned in regards to this group, but his name doesn’t appear on the Website.</p>
<p>The Media Accountability Project</p>	<p>https://www.tmap.org</p>	<p>“The Media Accountability Project (TMAP) is the official fundraising vehicle for helping Kyle Rittenhouse hold the worst offenders in our activist media accountable in court. In the long term, we will provide material support and promote the important work being done by independent journalists who are committed to the truth.”</p>
<p>Wisconsin Election Integrity</p>	<p>https://wisconsinelectionintegrity.org</p> <p>James Tesauro and Kim Simac, bk951@frontier.com, 715/891-3207</p> <p>info@WisconsinElectionIntegrity.org</p> <p>On Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/WisconsinElectionIntegrity/</p>	<p>“Wisconsin Election Integrity was a group of volunteer citizens, formed in the Summer of 2012 and active until 2020, that was committed to protecting all aspects of Wisconsin’s elections to ensure that elections reflect the will of the people.</p> <p>“Strictly nonpartisan, the group was interested in every aspect of our right to self-government through elections. However, with so very much attention being paid to the more visible parts of the process (e.g., redistricting and the various methods of submitting votes), WEI’s attention was drawn to the neglected area: counting the votes and certifying the correct winners.”</p> <p>They have shifted their focus to the uncovering fraud in the 2020 election and overturning the certification of electors for Joe Biden. On this website you will find:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Information about practical and economical methods of verifying voting-machine output that could be implemented by local elections officials under current Wisconsin statutes; * How to arrange an Election Integrity Road Show for your community group; * Introduction to the agencies and offices that run Wisconsin’s elections; * Introduction to the agencies and officials who administer Wisconsin’s elections; * 5 easy ways the help protect Wisconsin elections_ (Printable version); and * “A Field Guide to Wisconsin Election Officials,” by Karen McKim, April 21, 2016.

		I think they also call themselves Wisconsin Citizens Demanding Election Integrity, but maybe that's a different group.
Wisconsin Conservative Coalition	https://www.wi-cc.com	A joint venture by the Fox Valley Initiative, N.E.W. Patriots, and Wolfe River Area Patriots. It has links to the three sponsors' websites, a calendar of events hosted by its three sponsors, an infrequently updated blog, state legislator scorecard (most recently updated in 2017-18), and lists of national and state elected officials in the area and links to their websites. It is a 501(c)(3). "The Wisconsin Conservative Coalition is a non-partisan association of Northeast Wisconsin groups that support Conservative values." "The WCC is a non-partisan association of (3) Northeast Wisconsin conservative groups. We envision an educated, constitutional, and conservative electorate and culture in Wisconsin."
Wisconsin Family Action and Wisconsin Family Council, Inc.	http://www.wifamilycouncil.org https://wifamilyaction.org P.O. Box 7486 Madison WI 53707 Phone: 608.268.5074 Toll-free: 866.849.2536 PO Box 14440 Madison, WI 53708-0440 phone 608-256-3228 Julaine Appling, President Micah Pearce Executive Vice President Diane Westphall Event/Project Coordinator	The Wisconsin Family Council is the Wisconsin affiliate of three national organizations, Focus on the Family , Family Research Council , and Alliance Defending Freedom . They produce the "Wisconsin Family Minute" radio broadcast and maintain an excellent website that tracks legislation and an "Action Center" enabling people to contact their elected officials with a single keystroke. From the website: " <i>Purpose:</i> Inform Wisconsin citizens about pro-family legislative and cultural issues, involve Wisconsin citizens in activities that strengthen the family, prepare Wisconsin citizens for elections, as the law provides, and advocate in the state legislature on cultural and legislative issues that affect the family."
Wisconsin Firearm Owners	https://www.wisconsinfirearmowners.org/ Officers: President: Rob Kovach Vice President: Lane Ruhland Treasurer: Kaleb Hall Secretary: James Melville	The Wisconsin club of the National Rifle Association. Publishes a monthly newsletter titled "The Trigger" and has about 1,000 members. Annual membership is \$25 or \$30 ("Club" membership). It's 2022 annual meeting took place on January 29 th at Smiley's Banquet Hall, Plover, WI. (Plover is a suburb of Stevens Point, NW of Appleton.)

<p>Wisconsin Forum</p>	<p>https://wisconsinforum.org/ 17345 Civic Drive, P.O. Box 2171 Brookfield, WI 53045 Phone: (262) 278-0254 E-mail: info@wisconsinforum.org</p>	<p>Wisconsin’s oldest libertarian supper club, meeting since 1965. From its website: “Through the schedule of dinner meetings, the Wisconsin Forum helps to fulfill our commitment by bringing articulate speakers to Milwaukee to discuss economic, moral and philosophical principles. Since 1965, the Wisconsin Forum’s distinguished speakers have included Nobel laureates, ambassadors, authors, journalists, and a variety of other persons of reputation.”</p> <p>Here is the location and schedule for the latest event listed on the website:</p> <p>Milwaukee Yacht Club 1700 N. Lincoln Memorial Drive Milwaukee, WI 53202</p> <p>5:30-6:15pm – Cocktail & Networking Hour 6:15-7:00pm – Dinner 7:00-7:45pm – Speaker 7:45-8:00pm – Q&A Session 8:00-8:30pm – Post-event Cocktails & Discussion</p>
<p>Wisconsin Institute for Law and Liberty (WILL)</p>	<p>https://will-law.org/ 330 E. Kilbourn Ave, Suite 725 Milwaukee, WI 53202 (414) 727-9455 info@will-law.org</p> <p>Rick Esenberg, president and general counsel</p> <p>Education dashboard: flanders@will-law.org</p>	<p>From its website:</p> <p>“Through litigation, education, and participation in public discourse, WILL advances the public interest in the rule of law, individual liberty, constitutional government, and a robust civil society. Wisconsin’s leading conservative public interest law firm, it has taken cases to the WI Supreme Court and won eight times. It issues frequent news releases with its analysis and commentary on pending legislation and litigation.”</p> <p>In March 2022, WILL launched a “Wisconsin School Scorecard” with loads of information about every school district in the state, including per pupil spending, enrollment, graduation rate, percent proficiency (on the Forward exam), ACT scores, and more.</p>
<p>Wisconsin Voter Alliance</p>	<p>https://wisconsinvoteralliance.com/wva/</p> <p>Ron Heuer President, Wisconsin Voter Alliance</p> <p>ron@wisconsinvoteralliance.com</p>	<p>“The Wisconsin Voter Alliance (WVA) was formed by a group of Kewaunee County citizens who were concerned about the \$350,000,000 of Zuckerberg money flowing through Center for Tech and Civic Life (CTCL) to the cities across America. We also were concerned about the Wisconsin Election Commission overstepping their authority with regards to rules that govern Wisconsin elections.</p> <p>“The mission of the Wisconsin Voter Alliance is to effect change to law and policies surrounding elections. We will accomplish this goal by creating multi-faceted objectives to restore voter confidence, and integrity in the election process.”</p>

	<p>920-255-4260</p>	<p>WVA is running billboards in Green Bay, Racine, Kenosha, Madison and Milwaukee challenging people to think about election integrity. They have a lawsuit against WEC and the City of Madison that will be heard in the Dane County Circuit Court on May 15th at 1:30 PM. They produced a video documenting election fraud in nursing homes: “We found, in 93 nursing homes that we investigated, that 99% of the registered voters actually voted when they had already lost their mental capacity to do so.” They are helping to promote the 136 page Gableman report.</p> <p>The “latest news” tab on their website has a very long chronological accounting of the effort to expose election fraud in Wisconsin during the 2020 election: https://wisconsinvoteralliance.com/wva/latest-news-from-wva/</p> <p>Membership is free, sign up here: https://wisconsinvoteralliance.com/wva/membership/ (I did on March 4, 2022)</p>
<p>WisRed PAC</p>	<p>https://www.wisredpac.org/</p> <p>Andy Bath, Director Waukesha, WI, USA wisred@protonmail.com 262-328-4554</p>	<p>From the website: “WisRedPAC is an organization committed to providing the resources to support conservative candidates in local elections throughout Waukesha County, Wisconsin and beyond. For too long, liberals have encroached on boards at the local level, attempting to transform and control our communities and displace our traditional conservative American values. This Cannot Stand!!”</p> <p>They produced a very nice television ad urging people to “vote conservative on April 5”: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u1CjdH2fXNQ</p> <p>On 3/18/22 it posted a “WisRed PAC Supported Candidates Waukesha County Voter Guide” that listed candidates for school districts, village trustees, and county board.</p> <p>There is not much else on this website.</p>
<p>Wisconsin United for Freedom</p>	<p>https://wisconsinunitedforfreedom.org</p> <p>P.O. Box 5757 De Pere, WI 54115 Phone: Email: Tara Czachor</p>	<p>Wisconsin United for Freedom is a new organization that closely monitors Covid and vaccine related bills in the WI legislature and help arrange hearings, organize protests, and issue frequent “calls to action” via email. From its website:</p> <p>“Wisconsin United For Freedom, a 501(c)(4) organization, is the largest health freedom organization specific to Wisconsin focused on standing up against vaccine mandates, standing against the removal of vaccine exemptions, and an organization that stands for vaccine choice for every man, woman, and child in this country.”</p> <p>It hosted VaxCon '22 on March 19, 2022 (VIP event occurring one day earlier) featuring Dr. Jim</p>

		Meehan, Mary Tocco, Dr. Patrick Flynn, Dr. Larry Palevsky, Dr. Paul Thomas, and Del Bigtree. Taking place at Chula Vista Resort , 1000 Chula Vista Pkwy, Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965. Admission was \$80. Approximately 800 people attended.
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