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THE WEEK IN REVIEW

Missouri Democrats Launch Statewide Coordinated Campaign

This week, we will be officially launching "Show Me Change," Missouri's statewide coordinated campaign dedicated to electing Democrats up and down the ticket from Nicole Galloway and Jill Schupp as our next Governor and Congresswoman to flipping House and Senate seats in suburbs across the state. Be on the lookout for upcoming info!

#Moleg Update

Despite a week of bad press and criticism from the public, the Legislature returned this week not to pass COVID-19 relief or make voting safer and easier, but for Republicans to use their majority status to focus on:

- Legalizing brass knuckles.
- Giving tax breaks to people who own airplanes.
- Repealing the Clean Missouri law on ethics reform and redistricting.
- Stripping county health departments of their authority during a pandemic.
- Proposing a "Guns Everywhere" bill that allows guns at schools, bars, casinos, churches, airports, courthouses, sporting events, college campuses, and on public transit.

The Republicans in the Missouri legislature are more extreme than ever – **THANK YOU** to the Democrats in the General Assembly who are working tirelessly to keep the GOP's dangerous antics at bay AND push legislation that would improve the lives of people all across the state.

[Want to help end this extremism in Missouri? Get a new voter registered!](#)

Get ready for State Convention & National Convention!

We'll be conducting Missouri's 2020 Democratic State Convention [virtually](#) with a live digital Welcome Night event on Friday, June 12th, the full meetings and caucuses on June 13th, and voting will occur both online and by mail until June 19th.

As of right now, the Democratic National Convention is planned to go forward in-person in Milwaukee the week of August 17th, but importantly, all delegates will be able to vote even if they are not physically present. [Sign up to stay informed on state and national convention news.](#)

PSA: Missouri's Secretary of State is Dangerous to Your Health

Our esteemed candidate for Secretary of State, Yinka Faleti, penned an article on current SOS Jay Ashcroft's total dereliction of duty as Missouri's Administrator of Elections and calls for the immediate expansion of absentee voting during COVID-19. [Check out the story here.](#)

How to Vote Absentee in the June 2nd Municipal Elections

It's no secret that voters have to maneuver an obstacle course to vote absentee in this state and that's just how our Republican leaders like it. But we're here to help simplify the process for you. Here's what you need to vote absentee in our upcoming June 2nd municipal elections:

- [Print your request form and fill it out completely.](#) Check a reason for requesting a ballot. (If you have not voted in person before, you may be required to include a copy of a form of ID. Check out the bottom of the request form for detailed info.)
- Mail it to your local election authority - [find yours here.](#) (Do not mail your form to the Secretary of State's office).
- Your local election authority will then mail you your official ballot.
- Read the instructions carefully. Mark your ballot and return it ASAP. It must be received by 7PM on Election Day to count.

Congratulations, you have now voted in the state of Missouri!

Missouri Democratic Party Files Ethics Complaint Against Liberty Alliance USA for Violating Campaign Finance Law

The Missouri Democratic Party today announced it has filed a formal ethics complaint against Liberty Alliance USA for violating campaign finance law and failing to register as a committee with the Missouri Ethics Commission. The complaint details how Cornerstone 1791 — the mysterious group behind Liberty Alliance USA — has violated their 501(c)(4) status by spending money and directing most of their activity towards defeating Nicole Galloway in the gubernatorial election.

"Liberty Alliance USA is nothing more than a political committee designed to defeat Nicole Galloway — and should have registered and reported as such since its launch," said Missouri Democratic Party Executive Director Lauren Gepford. "Instead, shadowy dark money donors

have used Liberty Alliance USA to illegally target Galloway in blatant violation of Missouri law. Liberty Alliance is nothing more than a dark money front for secretive big money donors to buy this election for Mike Parson.”

Missouri Democrats taking on Voter Registration Project

We've identified 154,000 likely Democrats in every part of this state. [Visit our interactive map and click on your county.](#) Zoom in and find your neighborhood or precinct. There may be 20 folks unregistered or there may be 200. Every \$2 raised means we can mail a postage-paid, pre-filled registration form to your likely Democrat neighbor and all they have to do is sign and drop it in the mailbox. Since the forms are tracked, we have the unique ability to follow up with each individual and ensure it makes it to their election authority and they are added to the rolls. [Get your neighbors registered today!](#)

Kathy Ellis for Congress Hosting Organizing Training Series

The Kathy Ellis for Congress team (MO-08) is hosting a training series for local volunteers and activists covering topics like VAN, texting, phonebanking, and more. [Sign up today!](#)

Missouri Democratic Party Partners with “It Starts Today”

Your support can go twice as far and reach all corners of the state with the Blue Missouri project, a partnership between the Missouri Democratic Party and It Starts Today. You can fund every Democratic nominee running for the Legislature and support a strong state party at the same time with a single monthly contribution. [Our philosophy is to leave no Democrat behind - join us today!](#)

Missouri Democratic Party Seeks Applications for Building Blue Fellowship

We're seeking highly motivated Fellows to join the MDP for the spring and summer! [Get all the info here and apply today.](#) Please forward this email on to students or young people who might be interested.

IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS

- Ongoing - [Congressional candidate Kathy Ellis in the 8th District in SEMO is hosting a virtual training series. Sign up today!](#)
- 5/20 - Last day to request absentee ballots for June 2nd municipal elections. [Print your application today.](#)
- 6/2 - Municipal Elections (in many counties and cities across the state)
- 6/12 - [Virtual State Convention “Welcome Night”](#)
- 6/13 - [Virtual State Convention](#)
- 8/4 - Primary Election
- 8/17 - Democratic National Convention - Milwaukee, WI
- 9/12 - Quarter 3 State Committee Meeting & Truman Dinner - St. Louis

- 11/3 - Election Day!

We look forward to seeing you for State Convention on June 12th & 13th!

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