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## CRAIG'S CORNER

I have been in politics, in one form or another, since the 1964 Presidential election. Back in 1964 my involvement amounted to fan worship of Senator Barry Goldwater, a trait that I shared with my mother. One of my proudest possessions is an autographed letter and photograph that I have of Senator Goldwater.



CRAIG DUNN

The memories of the feelings that I had as a ten year old after Goldwater's landslide defeat are still fresh. It is amazing to me that the political defeats that I have witnessed stay more vivid in my memory than the victories. The 1974 election disasters, the election of Jimmy Carter, Bill Clinton's election and the 2006 Congressional elections all carry their scars.

One characteristic that was very similar after each of these defeats was the rapidity and ease that the national media declared the Republican Party dead. The media used its pulpit to interpret electoral defeat of Republicans as a repudiation of our party's values and positions. On each occasion the message of the media was that the Republican Party needed to reject its conservative positions, expand the tent, relax our inflexible positions and, figuratively, sell our very souls to win elections. Thankfully, the Republican Party rejected the advice.

Today, we find ourselves engaged in a titanic struggle that will be decided at the polls in November. This contest will be the singular most important election of our lifetimes. This 2010 election will decide whether our Constitution will reign supreme, whether we continue the slide into socialism and whether we continue to sink further into the morass of Federal debt. The battle lines are drawn and the differences have been clearly delineated. The American people will have a clear choice come November.

The enthusiasm and excitement in the Republican Party is visible and palpable. We enter this election season committed to victory. We have seen record numbers of volunteers turn out to support our candidates on all levels. They have brought dedication and energy to the process and are solely focused on eradicating the scourge of misguided tax and spend expansion of governmental power and interference.

The Republican Party is alive and well. The seeds of victory that we planted after the 2008 election will be harvested in November. With the efforts of all Republicans, we will restore Republican leadership in Congress and in the Indiana House of Representatives. The contest is on. Rally to the flag!

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# HERSHMAN VOTED LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR

State Sen. Brandt Hershman (R-Lafayette) was honored as the first recipient of the Indiana Telecommunication Association's (ITA) inaugural "Legislator of the Year" award this week for his ongoing efforts to modernize Indiana's communications infrastructure.

Founded in 1919, the ITA is a non-profit trade association representing Indiana's telecommunications industry. The group honored Hershman for his efforts in passing legislation leading to new investments, jobs, consumer choices, improvements to the 911 system and cost savings for Hoosiers.

"I am humbled to receive this award," Hershman said. "A modern telecommunications network is vital to economic development, job creation and public safety. In four years we've gone from the back of the pack to leading the Nation in our telecommunications laws, and billions of dollars of investment and thousands of new jobs have resulted."

Since the passage of Indiana's Telecom and Video Reform Act in 2006, more than 100 previously underserved rural communities gained access to high-speed Internet access. According to findings by Ball State University's Digital Policy Institute, telecom reform has led to the creation of 2,200 jobs and more than \$1.5 billion in investments across the state.

"Through the reform of our telecommunications laws, many companies have been given a strong incentive to invest in Indiana, create jobs and provide Hoosiers with access to the latest technology," Hershman said. "This has also resulted in more opportunities for high-speed connectivity and options when choosing a communications provider."

To help even more consumers in rural areas obtain high-speed connectivity in the future, Hershman authored a law last year requiring the Indiana Economic Development Corp. to identify gaps in Internet services statewide. Hershman said the initiative is funded through a federal grant and is an extension of the telecom reform law.

"With this new study, we will be able to find underserved communities and then encourage the development of high-speed Internet service in that area," Hershman said. "We need to continue to foster new investments, jobs and more Internet and video choices for Hoosiers."

Hershman also crafted a 2008 law consolidating 911 dispatch centers statewide to a maximum of two per county by the end of 2014. This reform aims to increase government efficiency, save tax dollars and help emergency services agencies free up funds to invest in the latest technology.

Additional 911 network enhancements will be further supported by a small fee on prepaid wireless telephone services beginning July 1, 2010. Hershman said 911 systems throughout the country are funded by land-based and cellular-subscriber telephone usage fees, yet people purchasing prepaid phones and phone cards were not contributing. He said the 25 cents collected by retailers in Indiana from prepaid phone and phone card transactions will not only be more fair for all consumers, it will help communities throughout the state continue providing necessary public safety services as more people shift from using land-based telephone lines to mobile telephones.

"I am heartened by the advances we've made in recent years and remain determined to build on that success so that Indiana may continue to grow as a technology leader," Hershman said.

Hershman represents Senate District 7, which includes Carroll, Clinton, Howard, Jasper, Tippecanoe and White counties.



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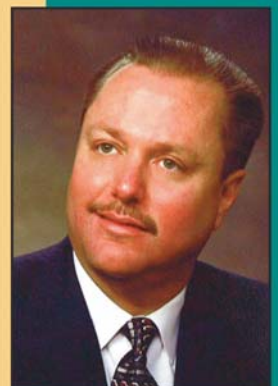
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DAN COATS

When I honored my term-limits pledge and stepped down from office in 1999 I didn't plan on getting back in. That was until the current administration came along and decided to change the America that I know and love – the America that you know and love.

Over the past year-and-a-half, just like you, I have grown increasingly frustrated and concerned by the path Washington is taking us down. Our current situation is something I've never seen before and never felt would happen to America. President Obama, Congressman Ellsworth and their allies in Congress have priorities not in tune with you and me, but in tune with a left-leaning liberal agenda they've been trying to push for decades. In the face of an economic crisis rivaling the worst our country has ever seen, they thought it was best to use their majorities in the Senate and House to peddle their failed deficit-inflating, budget-busting, tax-raising policies.

I could no longer stand idly by and passively watch without getting back in the arena and trying my best to stop the madness in Washington – to restore some balance to our system and be a check against the policies of Obama-Pelosi-Ellsworth. I couldn't look myself in the mirror without saying "Step in, Dan, do something. Help get us back on track." So, here I am. Back in the fray. Ready to fight again.

I care deeply about what's happening to our country and what legacy we're going to leave for our children and our grandchildren. I feel a sense of responsibility to stay engaged to ensure the America we pass on to the next generation is better than the one we inherited. We cannot allow ourselves to slip into mediocrity. That's why I'm running for the United States Senate.

Getting our country back on track and getting Hoosiers back to work will take more than just saying 'NO!' to what the Democrats are doing. We need to say how we would fix things if the American people entrust us with that role again.

This year, we will give voters a choice between two distinct philosophies. On one side you have the status quo of out of control spending, mounting debt and tone deaf policies. On the other side you have a candidate committed to less spending, smaller government, incentivizing business to create jobs and making the difficult decisions necessary to get us back on track to ensure a prosperous future for our Nation. I ask for your support this November and look forward to working together.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dan".

# MURRAY'S MESSAGE



**MURRAY CLARK**

It's been two years since we've gathered and quite a bit has changed since we last met. For starters, we have a Democrat president in the White House, who—along with a Democrat-controlled Congress—seems to be pursuing a policy of prolonging our national recession. We've seen an unprecedented expansion of the federal government as the national debt hits record heights. All the while, the Democrat regime treats our Constitution as merely a list of suggestions rather than a binding contract between the people and their government.

But while much has changed, much has remained the same. Governor Mitch Daniels still leads our state with the sense of fiscal responsibility that has made Indiana a national leader in so many areas. While other states look for new taxes to increase, Indiana continues to look for spending to reduce so that Hoosiers aren't saddled with additional burdens. As other states struggle to keep the budget hole the national recession has left from getting any deeper, Indiana is already working on climbing out. It's the sort of thing we've just come to expect since 2005.

When you take a step back and look at what's changed and what hasn't since 2008, you realize that it all contributes to a political environment in Indiana that is more favorable to Republicans than any I can remember in a long, long time. Our friends in the Tea Party movement, upset with what is happening nationally, are helping to engage voters who might not otherwise get involved. Activists who may have stayed home the past couple cycles, encouraged by the bold leadership of Governor Daniels, are reenergized and ready to help Republicans make big gains once again.

But a good environment alone is not enough. For a political party to have long term success, it must be more than the Party of No. It must be the Party of Purpose, one that puts into action our Republican values of lower taxes, less government and more personal freedom. We must be the party that continually strives to improve our communities, our state and our nation by introducing innovative ideas, and then constantly measure the results of their implementation. Ladies and gentlemen, I'm here to tell you today that the Indiana Republican Party is the only political party in Indiana that can lay claim to the title – the Party of Purpose!

More importantly, Hoosier voters from Gary to Ft. Wayne to Jeffersonville to Evansville know there is a clear difference between Indiana Republicans and Indiana Democrats. They see the positive changes and marked improvements that have come to every corner of the state since Mitch Daniels became Governor. This distinction as the Party of Purpose is only made clearer in today's political environment. As voters loudly oppose the wildly out-of-control spending and radically liberal agenda coming from Washington Democrats, they see Indiana Republicans as the standard bearer of lean, responsible and responsive governing.

Nowhere will this be more evident than in the race for the U.S. Senate. Rep. Brad Ellsworth has voted for the bailouts, the stimulus, record-setting deficit budgets and the government takeover of healthcare. He embodies everything the voters in this state are tired of, and Dan Coats will soundly defeat him this fall as we return this seat to Republican hands!

It will also be evident in the U.S. House races, as so-called Blue Dog Democrats like Joe Donnelly and Baron Hill continue to show their true colors to be anything but Blue. Coupled with Ellsworth's open seat, I'm confident that we will return these 3 Congressional Districts to the GOP column and send capable, energetic Hoosiers to Washington to put our country back on the right track! Jackie Walorski, Todd Young and Larry Bucshon all represent the best of Hoosier values and common sense, and I look forward to all of them becoming members of the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress! And don't underestimate our chances with Mark Leyva in the 1<sup>st</sup> District or Dr. Scott in the 7<sup>th</sup>. People are upset there too and looking for a change.

As important as it is to send these folks to Washington, perhaps the most important thing we can do this year is send a fresh crop of new legislators to Indianapolis to end the obstructionism of Pat Bauer and his Democrat colleagues in the House! Many of you have heard me say this before, and I sincerely mean it: We have the biggest and most talented group of State House candidates that I have ever seen running on the Republican ticket. We will regain a majority in the Indiana House this November, we will continue the progress we have started under Mitch Daniels and Indiana will come out of this recession better than any other state as a result!

Last but not least, one of our primary functions here today is to officially nominate our candidates for Secretary of State, Treasurer and Auditor. I am sure you are proud just as I am that Republicans currently hold every statewide office at the State House, and I think we all intend to keep it that way. After we nominate them later today, I know that everyone in this room will work with us to make sure we re-elect Richard Mourdock and Tim Berry and send Charlie White right along with them!

Now before I finish, a word of caution. Our position headed into this fall is one of strength. We are poised for sweeping victories in November. But we have not won anything yet. We must remain resolute in our principles and unwavering in our commitment to finishing these races as strongly as we began them. We cleared our first hurdle in the May primary. With so many Republican candidates in so many contested races, there was the potential for bitter and divisive fights. But I'm proud to say that by and large, our candidates ran with complete integrity and respect. In the month and a half since the election, we have seen Republican unity on a scale that far surpassed what some predicted. This united front is vital if we are to win in the fall.

Our second hurdle is just as vital: We must resist the urge to celebrate early or take anything for granted. I challenge each of you today to work as if we were behind, and I hope you'll challenge each other to do the same. We must work together to make phone calls and knock on doors. We must make sure our friends and neighbors and coworker know that the future success of our state and country is at stake, and that Indiana Republicans have demonstrated we know the right path forward. We must never lose sight of the goal.

If our determination for the next four and a half months matches the enthusiasm I see this weekend, I assure you that at 6:00 PM on November 2<sup>nd</sup>, there will be plenty to celebrate.

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This years Republican Party Golf Outing was another record. We had a record number of teams and a record fundraising year. Thanks to many of our great sponsors and players, we raised almost \$15,000 for our Party this year. It couldn't come at a better time with the fall elections in sight.



PAUL WYMAN

I want to thank our golf committee for all their hard work. Shannon Reinagle, Cassie Salinas and my wife Shelly used every club in their bag to make this outing spectacular. You ladies went above and beyond this year and our Party appreciates your efforts.

We also want to thank our major sponsors. Congressman Burton, Barnes and Thronburgh, Miles and Finch (Regions), Liberty Financial, Mark McCann for Prosecutor and Sen. Brant Hershman. Your commitment to our party enables us to have a beautiful headquarters and assists us in helping get fellow Republicans elected!

We had a beautiful day for golf, great fellowship and even some great golf shots. Brant Parry had the longest drive and my team Wyman For Commissioner actually won this year. It was a tie at the end but a lucky draw of a number put us over the top. Golf trophies are not something I am accustomed to!

Thanks to all of our hole sponsors, Chippendale Golf Course and volunteers. We could not do it without you. We have tremendous momentum as a Party this year and our Golf Outing has certainly helped propel us forward to victory in November!

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**CHARLIE WHITE**

As Secretary of State, Charlie will continue to build upon the solid foundations established by the current Secretary of State, Todd Rokita. Charlie’s administration will be based on the core values that government should be transparent, accessible, efficient, and always defending Hoosier’s identity and assets. These values have shaped the major issues of Charlie’s campaign:

- Election Integrity: Charlie will protect and defend Indiana’s Voter ID law to ensure our elections are fair and protect the most basic and precious right and responsibility of our democracy-voting.
- Protect Hoosier Investors: Charlie will protect investors from scams and illegal activities, both domestic and abroad. This includes the continuation of the Indiana Securities Division’s Prosecution Assistance Unit. These attorneys work with local authorities to ensure prosecutors have the proper resources to bring to trial and convict white collar criminals.
- Redistricting: Charlie will promote the drawing of simple and common sense legislative districts with better representation of local communities.
- One Stop Shop for Business: Charlie will work with other state and federal agencies to create a “one stop shop” for new Indiana businesses to make it easier for Hoosier entrepreneurs to create a business and comply with all state and federal regulations.

Voting is the cornerstone of our democracy. All Hoosiers should be confident knowing that elections in Indiana are fair and accurate, and that each vote counts. The Secretary of State serves as Indiana’s Chief Election Officer, and in that role, Charlie will ensure that Indiana’s elections adhere to the principle of one person, one vote.

Charlie will rely on his experience as an attorney and public servant to be an advocate for Hoosier voters. In his experience, Charlie has found that the most effective way to increase voter participation and protect our democracy is to provide voters with fair and accurate elections. When Indiana voters are confident that their vote will be counted, more Hoosiers will exercise their right to vote. Charlie believes that one of the best tools for ensuring fair and accurate elections is Indiana’s Voter ID law.

In today’s society, not having a state identification is a true quality of life issue. To be hired by many businesses, to receive government aid, to open a bank account, or to fill a prescription, a valid identification is required. The many reasons for a Hoosier to have an ID strongly outweigh the arguments for individuals to not have valid identification.

Since the Voter ID laws have been enacted, there have been eight successful elections in Indiana. Voter turnout has increased since the implementation of the photo ID law - not just in the 2008 presidential race, but in other races. Indiana’s Voter ID law gives Hoosiers confidence in the system, and voters are willing to invest their time again to vote.

Charlie will use innovation and technology to ensure fair and accurate elections. Charlie will look for ways to cut costs for local election administrators by providing more services online. He will also work to provide local election officials with the tools they need to maintain the Statewide Voter Registration System, an online database that protects the integrity of Indiana’s elections.

Charlie believes in Governor Daniels’ philosophy that government can nurture the right business environment for economic growth. The Secretary of State’s Business Services Division is responsible for registration of new businesses, filing of commercial liens, and issuance of trademarks. In this role, Charlie will work to make business formation as simple as possible for the Hoosier entrepreneurs who drive our state’s economic development.

All businesses operating in Indiana, regardless of size, must follow regulatory requirements that may involve several different state agencies. In his experience as a small business attorney, Charlie saw firsthand the challenges facing Hoosier entrepreneurs as they began the process of starting a business. Charlie will work with other state agencies and offices to create a “one stop shop” for new businesses to make it even easier to create a business and comply with all state and federal regulations.

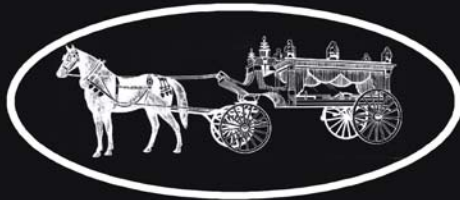
Charlie will also work to cut costs and increase services for existing Hoosier businesses. He will continue to use innovation and technology to modernize the services provided by the Business Services Division. As Secretary of State, Charlie will work to help Indiana businesses spend less time interacting with government and more time focusing on growth.



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