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Who Won the Week?

Mike Parson – Governor's schedule says he's continuing to meet "with his staff and Administration officials to discuss proposals for the upcoming 2023 Legislative Session." In fact, he's got the beautiful advantage of an overflowing state bank account. As he considers what to propose in his State of the State, he's got a lot of options – largely unconstrained by money.

Denny Hoskins – The sponsor of SB 1 dealing with Video Lottery Machines and Sports Betting, Hoskins will be in the center ring of one of next session's top issues. But he's also in his final two-years as a senator. The clock is ticking. Probably time to make a deal.

Erika Leonard – After 17 years with Bardgett & Associates, she's joined MARF (Missouri Association of Rehabilitation Facilities) as their new CEO.

Tony Luetkemeyer – His 30 Day After Report showed \$1.2 million cash on-hand (between his candidate committee and his PAC). That's some serious starting line strength he would bring to an AG primary. Will he make the leap?

Roy Blunt – The retiring US Senator gave his farewell speech in the Senate floor this week. It was a tutorial on public service. His closing lesson: "What we do here is more important than who we are."

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