

The Primary Book: Senate Races

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About Drebes



In addition to *Missouri Scout*, Dave Drebes was founder of *Arch City Chronicle*. According to the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, it was “the industry newsletter for the Lou’s political insiders.” He was named one of St. Louis’ *Most Influential People* (2007), received the *Media Award* from the Missouri Association for Social Welfare (2006), the *President’s Award* from the Metropolitan Press Club of St. Louis (2006). His parents must be proud. Drebes also writes a regular column in the *St. Louis Business Journal* covering Missouri state politics.

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Senate 1 – Republican Primary

Democratic Sen. Scott Sifton is termed. Democratic Rep. Doug Beck is unopposed

Candidates

David Lenihan

Mitchell Kohlberg

David Lenihan



Biography from campaign website:

At a young age, David had a spinal injury that threatened to ruin his life. He took this challenge and decided to pursue medicine, working hard to pay for his own education at Palmer College of Chiropractic. He dedicated himself to helping people like him overcome medical difficulties. He went on to earn his Ph.D. in Peripheral Neurosurgery from the University of Edinburgh, where he was also a peripheral nerve surgical fellow, working long hours while he and his wife raised two sons. He then got an MBA from the University of Cambridge Judge School of Business...

After 9/11, David returned to the United States as a research associate at Washington University St. Louis. Soon he was offered the position of Dean at Touro's Medical School in Harlem, NY, one of the largest medical schools in the United States... While he served as Dean, he pursued a law degree and flew home multiple times a week to St. Louis to coach both his sons' football teams.

David moved on from Touro College and University System and used his entrepreneurial spirit to create Tiber Health, a global network of innovative medical universities. He soon bought Ponce Health Sciences University... David is committed to St. Louis. Recently, he has begun the process of building an \$82 million medical school in St. Louis that will create over 483 permanent jobs and 165 construction jobs. Every physician trained who remains in St. Louis will generate \$2.2M of economic impact or benefits. Upon completion it will be one of the largest medical schools in the country... David's family has deep roots in the South St. Louis County community. He married Karen Ahlemeyer, a graduate of Oakville High School, whose family has been active in our community, including being founding members of Queen of All Saints School. David and Karen have two sons: Sean, who is at Rockhurst University, and Connor, who attends the Royal College of Surgeons.

Mitchell Kohlberg



From [Post-Dispatch](#) article: A campus police officer from south St. Louis County is poised to launch a bid for an open seat in the Missouri Senate. Mitchell Kohlberg, 34... is married and has three children...

April Quarter Fundraising Results

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>On-Hand</u>	<u>April Receipts</u>	<u>April Expenditures</u>	<u>Debt</u>
Lenihan	\$30,686	\$50,000	\$19,313	\$50,255
Kohlberg	LIMITED ACTIVITY			

Web Presence

Lenihan on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/drdauidlenihan>

Lenihan campaign website: <https://davidlenihanforsenate.com>

Kohlberg campaign website: <https://www.facebook.com/kohlberg2020/>

MOScout Call

Lenihan has more money, has a professional campaign team and should easily win the primary against Kohlberg.

Senate 3 – Republican Primary

Former Republican Sen. Gary Romine was given a political appointment. There is no Democrat filed to run.

Candidates

Kent Scism
Joshua Barrett
Elaine Gannon

Kent Scism



From his [campaign website](#):

Kent Scism grew up on a farm and raised livestock from an early age. His father built a Ford tractor dealership and later purchased a Ford Motor Company dealership when Kent was young. Kent started working for his father's dealership at the age of 13, where he spent his evenings and weekends washing cars, sweeping floors, and doing every task imaginable. While not working, Kent attended Park Hills Central where he played basketball and football, and ran track. Kent later attended Missouri State and after graduating he returned to work at Scism Ford. He has been married to his wife Angie for 32 years and together they have three daughters. Kent returned home to Farmington after college to manage his father's car dealership. Kent has spent his career building his father's dealership, Sam Scism Ford, into a large and profitable business operation. He is proud to call the Farmington community home and is committed to making it a better place to live, work, and play....

Joshua Barrett



From his [campaign website](#):

Joshua Barrett is a retired Combat Engineer with the US Marine Corps who served over eight years in the Marines including three combat tours overseas to Iraq and Afghanistan. He was awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal three times for his combat actions in the Iraq and Afghanistan wars. Barrett has performed extensive work in cyber security, management, and public policy. After retiring from the Marines, Barrett settled on the family farm in St. Francois County with his wife, Lauren, and their three boys Tristan, Gavin, and Brayden. They also have two rescue dogs they consider a part of the family—a German Shepherd named Maddie and Black Lab named Fitzgerald. Barrett serves on the Board of Directors of United Technology Solutions, a family-owned software company. He is a security officer at Mineral Area College in Park Hills, the Chairman of the St. Francois County Republican Central Committee, and Co-Founder of the St. Francois County Conservative Club. Barrett also is a lifetime member of the National Rifle Association (NRA) and a former Junior Vice Chairman of the Farmington Veterans of Foreign Wars chapter.

Elaine Gannon



From [the House biography](#): Rep. Elaine Gannon, a Republican, represents parts of Jefferson, St. Francois, and Ste. Genevieve counties (District 115). She was elected to her first two-year term in November 2012. In addition to her legislative duties, Rep. Gannon spent 32 years teaching junior high physical education and coaching in the DeSoto Public Schools. From 1978-2000 Rep. Gannon taught swimming lessons during the summer months for the DeSoto parks program. She was the director of the parks program from 1989-2000. Currently, Rep. Gannon is the chairman of the Get Healthy DeSoto Christmas Home Tour, a member of the NRA, and attends First Baptist Church in DeSoto, Missouri. Rep. Gannon graduated from Bismarck High School in 1971 and earned an Associate's degree from Jefferson County Community College in 1973. She earned a Bachelor's of Science degree in education in 1975 from Southeast Missouri State University. In 1994 Rep. Gannon earned a Master's of Science in education from Southwest Missouri Baptist University. Born February 2, 1953, in Bonne Terre, Rep. Gannon was raised in Bismarck, Missouri. She currently lives in DeSoto with her husband, Dennis. They have two sons, Andrew and Jason

April Quarter Fundraising Results

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>On-Hand</u>	<u>April Receipts</u>	<u>April Expenditures</u>	<u>Debt</u>
Scism	\$245,970	\$163,269	\$41,162	\$253,271
Barrett	\$26,685	\$27,886	\$1,200	\$0
Gannon	\$4,130	\$2,000	\$3,900	\$0

Keep Missouri Great (pro-Scism PAC) has \$5,425 COH

Web Presence

Scism on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/KentScism>
Scism on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ScismforSenate/>
Scism campaign website: <https://www.scismforsenate.com>
Barrett on Twitter: https://twitter.com/joshuas_barrett
Barrett campaign website: <http://barrettformo.com>
Gannon on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/votegannon>
Gannon campaign website: <https://votegannon.org/>
Gannon Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/votegannon.org>

MOScout Call

Kent Scism is self-funding. He's put in a quarter of a million dollars, and thus leads his opponents in the money race. He brings Kehoe-esque name ID to the race given his family's car dealership. These are powerful advantages.

The last day entry by Rep. Elaine Gannon creates some drama, and she should not be underestimated. She has Jeff City ties that she should be able to parlay into solid fundraising. Her time of service as a state representative together with her husband, the Jefferson County Executive, give her strong name ID as well. She has the support of popular former Rep. Paul Fitzwater as well as the Carpenters' union.

The path for Joshua Barrett would be to run hard right against his two, seemingly more moderate opponents. He has a consultant, Victory, who can help the campaign with messaging, but it's not clear that he'll have the money to effectively capitalize on grabbing that lane.

I'd give the early edge to Scism.

Senate 5 – Democratic Primary

Democratic Sen. Jamilah Nasheed is term limited. There is no Republican candidate.

Candidates

William C. (Bill) Haas

Megan Ellyia Green

Jeremiah Church

Michelle Sherod

Steve Roberts

McFarlane E. Duncan

Bill Haas



From [his campaign website](#): I moved to St. Louis in 1988 for a corporate law job, and ran for Mayor in 1993. I made the residency requirement by a few days, give or take. I won \$250,000 in the lottery the month before I declared after planning it for 15 years. Coincidence? Who knows, but the check after taxes was \$160,000, and I spent \$125,000 on my mayor's race. That's why my guardian angels sent it to me, and I didn't want to be cheap by \$50 and lose it by 50 votes. I was originally in the Democratic primary but it was filled with big names, so I got out and took on the winner as an Independent. I got 15% of the vote.

I've lost for mayor 5 times, state representative 4, Alderperson 1 (against the current mayor), and congress 4 times in two different districts (you don't have to live in the district to run for it), winning the primary in 2008 in a competitive 5 person race outspent \$350,000 to my \$15,000, and beat by \$1M this past election last year, where I got 20% of the vote on \$22,000. I was also third out of 8 in 2012 for state-wide Lieutenant Governor race with 12% state wide on \$20,000 where the other top candidates had several hundreds of thousands, all current or past elected officials.

Megan Green



[From her campaign website:](#)

Megan Ellyia Green was born in rural upstate New York and is the daughter of two teachers... Megan moved to St. Louis in 2005 to participate in the Coro Fellows Program in Public Affairs after earning her BA in Political Science at Penn State University, where she was President of Penn State College Democrats and a rape crisis volunteer at the Centre County Women's Resource Center.

Before being elected 15th Ward Alderwoman in 2014, Megan spent a decade working in the non-profit and education areas for organizations such as Shalom House, Lemay Child and Family Center, and ChildCare Aware of Missouri. It was through this work that Megan saw up close the real-world impact that policies and politics have on people, and how many people in our community are being left out and left behind...

In addition to her B.A. in Political Science from Pennsylvania State University, she holds a Master's Degree in Educational Leadership from St. Louis University, and is currently in the final stages of completing her Ph.D. in Education Policy at St. Louis University. Megan also currently works at Washington University in St. Louis as a Graduate Teaching Assistant in the Brown School of Social Work.

Jeremiah Church



[From his campaign website](#): Jeremiah Church graduated with his Bachelors Degree in History from the University Of Missouri St. Louis. He has been a business owner for 23 years. Jeremiah has been married for 16 years and is the father of seven children. His foundation is the pursuit of legislation that will lead to tuition-free college, as it did in Tennessee and New York. Jeremiah is keenly aware that crime has plagued the communities of District 5, and believes at this point in time, we must build a bridge of trust between the police department and the citizens of this district in order to bring about restoration.

Michelle Sherod



[From her campaign website](#): I have spent my entire adult life fighting for these issues as a public servant, a small business owner, and nonprofit leader. After putting myself through undergraduate and law school and after earning my license as a Certified Public Accountant, I became Missouri's first African-American Deputy State Auditor under Claire McCaskill to help ensure that your tax dollars were spent fairly and wisely. I took the principles of accountability I learned in state government with me when I continued my public service career as St. Louis Regional Director under Claire's U.S. Senate term. While there, I learned of the federal resources available to communities like ours; and I worked hard every day to make those resources count in our community's fight for improved economic growth, neighborhood safety, healthcare, and caring for veterans. After several years, I left federal service to care for my ailing mother and father-in-law. While at home, I used my background in legal and accounting work to start a consulting firm focused on private companies and governmental entities while also serving as Claire's campaign treasurer. I also continued my commitment to community service by volunteering at the Jackie Joyner-Kersey Foundation where I currently serve as the President of their Board of Directors.

Steve Roberts



[From his House biography:](#)

Steve Roberts was elected State Representative in 2016 to serve the people of the 77th District in the City of St. Louis. He was selected by his colleagues to serve on the Executive Board of the Missouri Legislative Black Caucus and the Ranking Member on the Committee for Workforce Development. Roberts also serves on the Judiciary Committee, Utilities, and Special Committee On Litigation Reform. Roberts is a fourth generation St. Louis native, whose parents and grandparents overcame segregation and discrimination to establish successful careers. His mother Eva Frazer became a distinguished doctor and his father a respected attorney, St. Louis Alderman and successful businessman. It is from his parents that Roberts learned to have a strong sense of civic responsibility, social justice, and the desire to help make St. Louis an even better place to live. Roberts holds a Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Communication Studies from the University of Miami and received his law degree from the Pepperdine University of Law. While in law school, his experiences included: working in the U.S. Congress as a legislative intern, as a certified law clerk with the District Attorney's Office in the City of Compton, California. He is a member of the Missouri Bar and U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri, a member of the Mound City Bar Association and serves as the founder and former President of the St. Louis chapter of the National Black Prosecutor's Association. Roberts is also a 2nd Lieutenant serving in the Missouri Air National Guard.

McFarlane E. Duncan



From [his campaign website](#): With over 10 years of serving the community, McFarlane E. Duncan has been committed to making the St. Louis community a better place. Working with organizations such as The Collegiate 100, 100 Black Men of Metro St. Louis, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate-for children), Futures Mentoring Program, Herbert Hoover Boys and Girls Club, St. Louis Freedom School. Over the past three years McFarlane E. Duncan has worked for the city of St. Louis making sure businesses were compliant with city and state ordinances. Through this experience McFarlane E. Duncan has been able to talk and interact with numerous business owners gaining an understanding of their needs as business owners.

April Quarter Fundraising Results

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>On-Hand</u>	<u>April Receipts</u>	<u>April Expenditures</u>	<u>Debt</u>
Haas	LIMITED ACTIVITY			
Green	\$27,227	\$16,093	\$17,251	\$7,000
Church	\$152	\$152	\$0	\$0
Sherod	\$39,632	\$19,622	\$36,996	\$32,000
Roberts	\$95,310	\$27,004	\$25,648	\$72,454
Duncan	LIMITED ACTIVITY			

St. Louis Progress (pro-Roberts PAC) has \$8,554 COH.

Web Presence

Haas on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/votehaas>

Haas campaign website: <https://votebillhaas.com>

Green on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/MeganEllyia>

Green campaign website: <https://green4stl.com>

Church on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/thepeoplestl>

Church campaign website: <https://jeremiahchurch2020.wixsite.com/jc2020>

Sherod on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/michellesherod>

Sherod campaign website: <https://www.michelleforstlouis.com>

Roberts on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/robertsforstl>

Roberts campaign website: <https://robertsforstl.com>

Duncan on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/McFarlaneD>

Duncan campaign website (old): <https://duncanfor77thdistrict.wordpress.com/about/>

MOScout Call

This is a six-way race, but there's really only three legitimate candidates in the race. Steve Roberts has the most money in the bank, \$95K with another \$8K in a PAC. Michelle Sherod has \$39K on-hand; and Alderwoman Megan Green has \$27K in the bank. The other three will not mount serious campaigns: Bill Haas has no committee, McFarlane Duncan filed a "limited activity" report, and Jeremiah Church only raised \$152.

In a recent MOScout poll, Haas ran strongly with 14%. He's first on the ballot and has run zillions of times in the past few decades. But I think his early strength will fade. Roberts led the poll with 18%, followed by Green at 16%. Sherod came in at 9%.

Right now: With 35% undecided, it's still way too early to call. But Roberts leading the poll and the money race must be considered the front-runner.

Senate 7 – Democratic Primary

Former Democratic Sen. Jason Holsman received a political appointment.

Candidates

Michael R. Brown

Greg Razer

Michael Brown



[Biography on Ballotpedia](#): Michael Brown is Owner/Publisher of Ghattostone Publishing. He earned his B.A. in political science from the University of Missouri - Kansas City, and AA from Penn Valley Community College. Brown is a member of the Cleveland Avenue Baptist Church, Freedom Incorporated Political Club, University of Missouri - Kansas City Alumni Club, Jackson County Housing Resources Commission, Missouri Real Estate Commission, and the Task Force for Civil Rights of the Disabled.

Greg Razer



[From his House biography](#): Rep. Greg Razer, a Democrat, represents parts of Jackson County (District 25) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2016. Prior to his legislative duties, Rep. Razer was the Deputy Regional Director for U.S. Senator Claire McCaskill from 2008-2016.

Rep. Razer graduated from Cooter High School (Cooter, MO) in 1996. He received his bachelor's degree in history from the University of Missouri-Columbia in 2000. Rep. Razer was born in Blytheville, AR and has made his home in Kansas City since December 2001.

April Quarter Fundraising Results

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>On-Hand</u>	<u>April Receipts</u>	<u>April Expenditures</u>	<u>Debt</u>
Brown	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Razer	\$91,869	\$13,779	\$8,098	

Web Presence

Brown on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100008739949030>

Razer on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/gregrazer>

Razer campaign website: <https://gregrazer.com>

MOScout Call

Razer has secured key endorsements across the district, leads in name ID and money. He's the safe bet in this race.

Senate 9 – Democratic Primary

Former Democratic Sen. Kiki Curls received a political appointment. David Martin is the Republican candidate.

Candidates

Barbara Anne Washington

Ryan Myers

Barbara Washington



[From her House biography](#): Representative Barbara Anne Washington, a Democrat, represents part of Jackson County (District 23) in the Missouri House of Representatives. She was first elected to the House of Representatives in a special election in November 2017 and was re-elected to office in 2018. In addition to her legislative duties, Washington is a practicing attorney who also possesses an MBA...

When she's not fighting for her district, she volunteers with her beloved sorority, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. She also volunteers with her church, St. James United Methodist; the Metropolitan Community Colleges Board of Trustees, Urban Summit, Freedom, Inc.; the Kansas City Boys Choir/Kansas City Girls Choir; and the United Nations Association of Greater Kansas City. Washington is a proud graduate of the University of Missouri – Columbia's famed School of Journalism. She obtained her Master of Business Administration from Avila University and her Juris Doctorate from the University of Missouri – Kansas City.

Ryan Myers



From his campaign website: Ryan currently represents Ward 3 as an Alderman in the City of Raytown and is a third-generation graduate of Raytown High School (Class of 2007). He is the youngest Alderman to have been elected by his peers as Mayor Pro-Tem in the history of the city.

Ryan is the son of a steel fabricator and property manager and obtained a B.S. in Economics from Kansas State University in 2012. Since graduation, Ryan has worked at Valbridge Property Advisors as a real estate valuation consultant and is a candidate for designation to receive his MAI designation.

April Quarter Fundraising Results

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>On-Hand</u>	<u>April Receipts</u>	<u>April Expenditures</u>	<u>Debt</u>
Washington	\$14,143	\$8,952	\$4,629	\$5,844
Myers	\$1,253	\$250	\$282	\$50

Web Presence

Washington on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/beedub1967>

Washington campaign website: <https://www.facebook.com/Barbara-Anne-Washington-for-Missouri-House-23-1572445782777484/>

Myers campaign website: <https://www.myersformissouri.com>

MOScout Call

Barbara Washington should take this race handily.

Senate 13 – Democratic Primary

Democratic Sen. Gina Walsh is term limited. There is no Republican candidate.

Candidates

Alan (Al) Green

Tommie Pierson Jr

Angela Walton Mosley

Alan Green



From [his House biography](#): Rep. Alan K. Green, a Democrat, represents parts of Saint Louis County (District 67) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected in a special election in August 2014. In addition to his service as a legislator, Rep. Green is the CEO for Green & Associates LLC, which specializes in Surety Bonds, Payment Bonds, Finance, Government and Business Consulting.

Rep. Green also served as Special Assistant to the Director of the Missouri Department of Social Services and as the Director of the Office of Equal Opportunity for the Office of Administration. He has reviewed the Community Service Block Grant proposals for the City of St. Louis and has worked for two St. Louis County Executives. He has taught courses at St. Louis Community College as an Adjunct Professor, and currently serves on the Small Business Regulatory Fairness Board...

Rep. Green attended Ecorse High School in Ecorse, Michigan. He graduated from the University of Texas at Tyler with a Bachelor's of Science in Criminal Justice and American Diplomacy. He has a Master's in Management and Development of Human Resources from National Louis University and a Master's in Business Administration from Lindenwood University. He received his PH.D in Religious Education from the United Theological Seminary Survine Bible College of St. Louis. He received his certification of executive leadership from the University of Virginia.

Tommie Pierson Jr.



From his House biography:

Rep. Tommie Pierson, Jr., a Democrat, represents parts of St. Louis County and St. Louis City (District 66) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2016.

In addition to his legislative duties, Rep. Pierson, Jr. is a math teacher in North St. Louis County and the pastor of inStep Church.

Rep. Pierson, Jr. graduated from Parkway North High School in 1991. He earned his bachelor's in applied math in 1995 from Washington University in St. Louis and a master of arts in theological studies from Covenant Theological Seminary in 2009.

Angela Walton Mosley



Biography: unable to find biographical information online.

April Quarter Fundraising Results

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>On-Hand</u>	<u>April Receipts</u>	<u>April Expenditures</u>	<u>Debt</u>
Green	\$11,909	\$175	\$1,843	\$0
Pierson Jr	\$54,152	\$3,874	\$6,118	\$30
Mosley	\$3,069	\$550	\$219	\$0

Web Presence

Green on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/alan.k.green.9>

Pierson on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/tommiepiersonjr>

Pierson campaign website: <https://piersonjr.com>

Mosley on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/mosley4senate>

Mosley campaign website: <https://www.facebook.com/AngelaWaltonMosley4StateSenate/>

MOScout Call

This race has plenty to consider. It's said that Sen. Gina Walsh favors Pierson; Mosley is related to the Walton family which has been strong powerbrokers in the area for decades. Green is not to be ignored.

Right now: Walsh's support + cash advantage = Pierson being the one to beat.

Senate 23 – Republican Primary

Republican Sen. Bill Eigel is the incumbent. The Democratic candidate is Richard Orr

Candidates

Dan O'Connell

Bill Eigel

Eric Wulff

Dan O'Connell



[Ballotpedia biography](#): Dan O'Connell was born in Louisville, Kentucky. He studied architectural engineering at the University of Missouri, Rolla and civil engineering at Missouri University of Science and Technology. O'Connell also earned an MBA from Webster University in 2013. His career experience includes working as a field engineer and consultant.

Bill Eigel



[From his Senate biography](#): Senator Eigel is a United States Air Force military veteran of eight years and has owned a small business in St. Charles County for more than 10 years. Senator Eigel, who held the rank of Captain while serving in the Air Force... He is a decorated veteran for service overseas in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, as he was awarded commendations for his service in Ashgabat, Turkmenistan. After leaving the service in 2006, Sen. Eigel purchased St. Louis Skylights, a small residential and commercial remodeling company. Despite the challenges of the economic recession in 2008 and 2009, St. Louis Skylights was renamed to National Skylight Solutions in 2010 as it grew to service all areas of the United States.... Senator Eigel lives in Weldon Spring with his wife, Amanda, and their two children. They are all members of St. Joseph's Catholic Parish in Cottleville, Missouri.

Eric Wulff



Biography from campaign: Eric was an adjunct professor at Webster University in History, Politics, and Law. He was appointed by a joint effort of the United States and The European Union to establish a legal studies program in the former Soviet Union to help Russian citizens understand their new legal rights. He also served two terms (six years) on the Orchard Farms School Board.

Eric is a member of the Federalist Society, a ranking member of the Missouri Bar of Governors, and has served on its Executive Committee and is the former St. Charles County Bar President. Wulff is also a St. Charles City Municipal Judge and former Jonesburg Prosecuting Attorney.

Raised in Florissant, MO, Eric went to McCluer North High School and was an Eagle Scout. He attended the University of Missouri, receiving undergraduate degrees in Economics and Political Science, before graduating from the University of Missouri Law School.

Eric is married to Denise Wulff, whom he has known since sixth grade. They have one child, Paige. He is long-time member of the Church of St. Cletus in the City of St. Charles.

April Quarter Fundraising Results

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>On-Hand</u>	<u>April Receipts</u>	<u>April Expenditures</u>	<u>Debt</u>
O'Connell	LIMITED ACTIVITY			
Eigel	\$159,278	\$15,291	\$14,459	\$40,008
Wulff	Committee formed after deadline			

Web Presence

Eigel on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/BillEigel>

Eigel campaign website: <http://www.billeigel.com>

Wulff campaign website: WulffForMissouri.com

Wulff on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WulffforMissouri/>

MOScout Call

Bill Eigel is the front-runner due to name ID and enormous financial resources. I expect Wulff's campaign to be nettlesome and provocative, but ultimately unsuccessful in unseating the incumbent.

Senate 25 – Republican Primary

Republican Sen. Doug Libla is term limited. There is no Democratic candidate.

Candidates

Jeff Shawan

Jason Bean

Eddy Justice

Stephen Carroll Cookson

Jeff Shawan



[From his House biography](#): Representative Jeff Shawan, a Republican, represents all of Carter and Ripley counties, and parts of Butler and Wayne counties (District 153) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2018.

Prior to joining the legislature, Shawan was a business owner in Missouri and Texas for more than 20 years. He also served as Emergency Management Director for Butler County... He attended high school and Three Rivers College in Poplar Bluff.

Born in Cape Girardeau, Shawan currently lives in Poplar Bluff with his wife, Christy. They have three children.

Jason Bean



[From his campaign website](#): Raised in the Bootheel, Bean is a fifth generation Missouri family farmer, and he lives on the same farm where he grew up and started to farm as a young boy... Jason attended Clarkton and Kennett public schools. From there, Jason took his lifelong love of agriculture to the University of Missouri – Columbia where he graduated majoring in Agronomy and minoring in Animal Science. He worked at Foundation Seed full time while attending MU and he worked at a hog farm on the weekend as well to learn more about all aspects of agriculture.

After graduating college, Bean returned to his family farm where he worked with his father to grow their farm from a modest farm primarily focused on cotton and soybeans to a larger and more diverse operation... Bean served on the as the Chair of the Advisory Board for Fisher Delta Research Center (FDRC) and served as acting superintendent of the University of Missouri research facility for most of the past year....

He grew up attending Peach Orchard Baptist Church (built by grandfather) and now attends Holcomb United Methodist Church. He and his wife Desiree are raising three children; Colin, Claire, and Otto.

Eddy Justice



[From his campaign website](#): Eddy wants to be a servant leader and defend the rights of Missourians against growing government overreach. Eddy knows we need to protect the rights of every day Missourians from the government regulation that take away our freedoms. Eddy believes in the power of individuals to create businesses and jobs and government should not stand in the way of personal freedoms....

Eddy lives in Poplar Bluff where he has served more than 20 years as a State Farm Insurance Agent, helping connect the people in his community with insurance to protect their property, their health, and their families. Eddy and his wife, Penny, have raised their family in southeast Missouri and are proud to call it their home.

Eddy has served as the President of the Lion's Club, he is a member of both the National Federation of Independent Businesses and the Chamber of Commerce, as well as the former Chair of the Butler County GOP Committee. Eddy and Penny actively seek to serve their community as members of the Temple Baptist Church in Poplar Bluff. As an avid hunter and Cardinals Baseball fan, Eddy loves everything Missouri.

Steven Cookson



[Biography from Ballotpedia:](#)

Steve Cookson (Republican Party) was a member of the Missouri House of Representatives, representing District 153. Cookson assumed office in 2011. Cookson left office in 2019. Cookson earned his M.S. from Southeast Missouri State University. At the time of his service in the legislature, his professional experience included working as a cattle farmer, superintendent at Ripley County R-II, and principal at Carter and Wright Counties.

April Quarter Fundraising Results

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>On-Hand</u>	<u>April Receipts</u>	<u>April Expenditures</u>	<u>Debt</u>
Shawan	\$272,876	\$15,612	\$8,935	\$267,000
Bean	\$91,957	\$92,909	\$951	\$27,794
Justice	\$133,298	\$2,800	\$1,663	\$60,000
Cookson	\$70,600	\$50,100	\$0	\$50,000

Web Presence

Shawan on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/Shawan4Freedom>

Shawan campaign website: <https://www.shawanforsenate.com>

Bean on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/BeanSenate>

Bean campaign website: <https://www.facebook.com/jasonbeanforsenate>

Justice on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/eddyjustice>

Justice campaign website: <https://www.justiceformissouri.com>

Cookson campaign website: <https://cooksonforstatesenate.com/>

MOScout Call

There's a game theory puzzle operating in this four-way race. The entry of Bean – with a solid first quarter of fundraising – has turned this race from essentially as one-on-one race (Justice vs Shawan) with Cookson at the margin, to a four-way question mark.

Will Justice and Shawan engage in a firefight and leave Bean unscathed? Will big money outside sources come in and give one of the four an outsized amount of resources?

It's a pick'em race: I'll call for Justice fighting his way to the top of the scrum.

Senate 27 – Republican Primary

Republican Sen. Wayne Wallingford is term limited. There is no Democratic candidate.

Candidates

Holly Rehder

Kathy Swan

Holly Rehder



[From House biography](#): Rep. Holly Rehder, a Republican, represents parts of Scott, and Mississippi counties (District 148). She was elected to her first two-year term in November 2012. In addition to her legislative duties, Rep. Rehder and her husband Ray started their own cable telecommunications contracting company, Integrity Communications, in 2004. In 2005, Rep. Rehder began working full-time for the Missouri Cable Telecommunications Association. She worked three years as a campaign staffer for Congresswoman Jo Ann Emerson... Rep. Rehder is a graduate of Southeast Missouri State University with a Bachelors of Science Degree in Mass Communications, Public Relations. She was also a member of the Southeast Missouri State University's Speech and Debate team and has been recognized twice with Best Speaker award.

Kathy Swan



[From her House biography](#): Rep. Kathryn ("Kathy") Swan, a Republican, represents Cape Girardeau and part of Cape Girardeau County (District 147)...

She is President of JCS Wireless, a small wireless communications company with offices in Cape Girardeau and Perryville in Missouri and Chester, Illinois. In addition, she has worked in a variety of nursing areas including progressive care, employee health, infection control, administrative supervision, and as a clinical instructor... Rep. Swan was elected to the General

Assembly in November 2012. Previous elected offices include Cape Girardeau Board of Education, Cape Girardeau City Council, and Missouri Republican Party State Committeewoman. She served over 9 years on the Missouri Coordinating Board for Higher Education, initially appointed by Gov. Holden and reappointed by Governors Blunt and Nixon, and served two terms as board chair. Previous state board service includes the Missouri METS Coalition (Math, Engineering, Technology, & Science), Missouri Higher Education Loan Authority (MOHELA) and State P-20 Council. She is a former commissioner of the Senate Reapportionment Commission, appointed by Gov. Nixon, former commissioner of the Cape Girardeau Planning & Zoning Commission, and former treasurer of Team Emerson.

A graduate of Central High School in Cape Girardeau, Rep. Swan earned an A.A. in Nursing and B.S.N. from Southeast Missouri State University. In addition, she has completed over 30 hrs in business management, finance, accounting, economics and marketing. She attends St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, serving as a church organist, pianist and flutist. Rep. Swan resides in Cape Girardeau with her husband of 41 years, Reg. They have two children who work in the family business, Regan and Maria, and a granddaughter, Sonnie Kathryn.

April Quarter Fundraising Results

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>On-Hand</u>	<u>April Receipts</u>	<u>April Expenditures</u>	<u>Debt</u>
Rehder	\$198,962	\$12,418	\$33,410	\$0
Swan	\$150,044	\$14,233	\$20,747	\$8,095

Web Presence

Rehder on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/hrehder>

Rehder campaign website: <https://www.facebook.com/holly.rehder/>

Swan on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/kathyswan147>

Swan campaign website: <http://kathyswan.com>

MOScout Call

These two have maintain a very even race. Rehder has a bit of an edge in resources because of her additional PAC. She also has the Conservative Caucus behind her, and is running to the right on issues of education reform.

However, Swan’s base in Cape Girardeau is the population center of the district. For that reason, she’s the front-runner right now. But this is really a toss-up race.

Senate 29 – Democratic Primary

Republican Sen. David Sater is term limited. There is no Democratic candidate.

Candidates

Mike Moon

David Cole

Mike Moon



[From his House biography](#): Rep. Mike Moon, a Republican, represents the majority of Lawrence County (District 157) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected in a special election in April 2013. Rep. Moon worked in marketing for Mercy Hospital for 27 years. He currently works on his farm as a cattle rancher.

Rep. Moon is a member of the High Street Baptist Church, where he serves as a deacon, mission committeeman, and Sunday school teacher. He also is a member of the Springfield-Southeast Rotary Club, where he was the recipient of the “Lend-a-Hand” award. Rep. Moon is a 1977 graduate of Western Branch High School in Chesapeake, VA. He received his bachelor’s in secondary education from Southwest Missouri State University in 1985.

Rep. Moon was born in Kannapolis, NC on December 31, 1958. He lives on his family farm in Ash Grove with his wife, Denise. They have five children: Amanda, Bryan, Erin, David, & Jason.

David Cole



[From his campaign website:](#)

David Cole is a 5th-generation resident of Barry County and the 29th District with deep family ties to the area. He is a graduate of Missouri Southern State University and then the University of Missouri where he worked multiple jobs while raising a family and finishing school. David returned to Barry County to build a business and raise a family. He has owned and operated a successful small business in Cassville for more than 20 years.

He is past-chair of the Missouri Republican Party, the 7th Congressional District Republican Committee, and the Barry County Republican Club.... He is a currently Chairman of the South Barry County Hospital District Board of Directors and is a former member of the Mercy Health System Western Region Board of Directors. He has previously served on the Coordinating Board of Higher Education, the Crowder College Foundation Board of Directors, the Cassville R-IV Board of Education and is a past president of the Cassville Area Chamber of Commerce...

David and his wife, Amy, live in Cassville and have three children, Holly, Andrew, and Emily. They are members of the First Christian Church of Cassville where David is a Deacon and frequently teaches Sunday School classes.

April Quarter Fundraising Results

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>On-Hand</u>	<u>April Receipts</u>	<u>April Expenditures</u>	<u>Debt</u>
Moon	\$39,510	\$4,140	\$2,735	\$7,600
Cole	\$124,180	\$16,750	\$3,247	\$20,000

Web Presence

Moon on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/realmikemoon>

Moon campaign website: <http://www.mikemoonformissouri.com>

Cole on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/DavidColeforMO>

Cole campaign website: <https://davidcolegorsenate.com>

MOScout Call

Although Mike Moon's positions – far right – are favorable ground for a Republican primary, he's taken some hard-to-defend votes as a state representative. I expect that Cole will have more money and have the ability to exploit Moon's record.

Senate 31 – Republican Primary

Republican Sen. Ed Emery is term limited. Raymond Kinney is the Democratic candidate.

Candidates

Jack Bondon
Rick Brattin
Bill Yarberry

Jack Bondon



[From his House biography](#): Rep. Jack Bondon, a Republican from Belton and lifelong Missourian, represents parts of Cass, Jackson and Bates counties in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2014.

Rep. Bondon is a 2000 graduate of Rockhurst High School. He earned his Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from Georgetown University's McDonough School of Business in 2004.

An involved member of the community, Rep. Bondon attends St. Sabina Church in Belton. He is a member of the Belton Chamber of Commerce and the Belton School District Strategic Planning Committee. Bondon is a supporter of the Cass County Life Choice Center, the CASCO Sheltered Workshop, the National Rifle Association, the Faith and Freedom Coalition, and the Belton and Raymore-Peculiar Public Education Foundations and the Cass-Midway PTO. Bondon is also a member of the Ducks Unlimited Golden Valley Chapter, as well as the Cass/Jackson Cattlemen's Association.

Rick Brattin



[From his old campaign website](#): Rick Brattin is the member of the Missouri State House of Representatives serving his fourth full term for the Missouri 55th District in Cass County. Elected in the general election of 2010, he was appointed as House Majority Floor Whip, chosen Freshman Class President, and received the Freshman Legislator Award two years in a row. He has been an active and prolific lawmaker sponsoring and cosponsoring several bills as a legislator....

Rick was born in July 1980 and grew up in Greenwood, Missouri where he graduated from Lee's Summit High School. After graduating, he then joined the United States Marine Corps where he served for six years as a Non-commissioned Officer. Currently, Rick is owner of a small construction company for 12 years and tends a 40-acre farm in central Cass County north of Harrisonville.

He is blessed to have a beautiful wife, Athena, and a wonderful family with five amazing children Mariah, Kayla, Rick, Garrett and Hannah. He and his family are devoted Christians and members of Abundant Life. Rick is active throughout Cass County, and highly involved in his kids sporting events. He stands firm on conservative values and faith and will never waiver on these principles.

Bill Yarberry

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April Quarter Fundraising Results

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>On-Hand</u>	<u>April Receipts</u>	<u>April Expenditures</u>	<u>Debt</u>
Bondon	\$192,714	\$9,375	\$26,198	\$0
Brattin	\$14,411	\$6,510	\$8,734	\$7,350
Yarberry	\$100	\$0	\$0	\$100

Web Presence

Bondon campaign website: <https://jackbondon.com>

Brattin on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/rickbrattin>

Brattin campaign website: <https://brattinforsenate.com>

Yarberry: no web presence found

MOScout Call

It appears that Yarberry will have little to no impact.

I believe Bondon is likely the winner of this race. Brattin hasn't put enough money in the bank to compete with Bondon. Because it's nearly impossible to run a grass-roots campaign in a big senate district Bondon's resources will carry the day.

Senate 33 – Republican Primary

Republican Sen. Mike Cunningham is term limited. Democratic candidate is Tammy Harty.

Candidates

Robert Ross

Karla Eslinger

Van Kelly

Robert Ross



[From his House biography](#): Born in Houston, Missouri; Graduate of Summersville High School; Bachelor of Science Degree in Cartography with an emphasis in Land Surveying at Southwest Missouri State University 2003. He and his wife Chrissy have two boys, Rylan and Carson and they attend the Summersville First Christian Church. In addition to his legislative duties, he is a self-employed Professional Land Surveyor and the owner of Midwest Benchrest which is a nationally sanctioned 600 and 1,000 yard shooting range. He serves on the Board of Directors of the Missouri Society of Professional Surveyors and is actively involved with Missouri Cattlemen's Association, Texas County Farm Bureau & the NRA. Elected to the House: 2012. Republican.

Karla Eslinger



[From her House biography](#): Representative Karla Eslinger, a Republican, represents Ozark, Douglas, and part of Taney County (District 155) in the Missouri House of Representatives... In addition to her legislative service, Eslinger is a lifelong educator with more than 30 years of experience in a variety of educational settings. She most recently served as a senior analyst for education services with the AEM Corporation and provided technical assistance to the US Dept. of Education in Washington, DC. Prior to that, she served as an assistant commissioner of education for the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.... She also holds a Master’s Degree in Education Administration and a Specialist Degree in Superintendency and Educational System Administration from Missouri State University. Eslinger received her Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership and Policy Call from the University of Missouri-Columbia. Eslinger is a long-term resident of Wasola, where she resides with her husband, David. They have two daughters.

Van Kelly



[From his campaign website](#): Van Kelly was born in Mountain Grove, Missouri and raised with four brothers on his parents' farm in Douglas County. There, he helped his parents, Garnett and Loretta Kelly, raise beef cattle and run a successful dairy farm...

Van received his diploma from Norwood High School and attended Drury University before graduating from the Springfield Police Academy. He then spent 16 years working for Douglas County’s law enforcement, serving in communications and working as a jailer, deputy and bailiff for the courts.

He was then elected to serve in the House of Representatives from 2000-2008 for the 144th Legislative District of Wright, Douglas and Eastern Ozark counties... After spending eight years fulfilling his duties as state representative... Van decided to pursue his dream of being a small-business owner and opened Van Kelly’s Carving.

April Quarter Fundraising Results

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>On-Hand</u>	<u>April Receipts</u>	<u>April Expenditures</u>	<u>Debt</u>
Ross	\$132,713	\$4,201	\$12,582	\$0
Eslinger	\$154,723	\$4,380	\$11,434	\$150,000
Kelly	\$72,747	\$1,800	\$9,970	\$100,000

Web Presence

Ross on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/robertrossmo>

Ross campaign website: <https://www.facebook.com/RobertRossMO/>

Eslinger campaign website: <https://karlaeslingersenate.com/>

Kelly on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/Kelly4Missouri>

Kelly campaign website: <https://www.vankelly.com>

MOScout Call

Eslinger will have the support of educational groups. If Kelly and Ross split evenly, she could sneak in and take the race.

However I think a more likely scenario is that Ross out-polls Kelly significantly, and takes the three-way race.