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## Who Won the Week?

**Cindy O'Laughlin** – Her decision to run for floor leader is the latest indication of her evolution as a senator. She quietly stepped away from the Conservative Caucus, and worked on building bridges.

**Rick Brattin** – This week he pulled down the sole NRA endorsement in his race. And the Club for Growth came in heavy with a \$1 million independent expenditure. Brattin seems to have the momentum in CD-4

**Mike Parson** – With Eric Schmitt in the hunt for the US Senate seat, and Scott Fitzpatrick likewise at least a coin toss away from being auditor, the governor is looking at the possibility of once again getting to appoint statewide office-holders. Who he elevates may end up being his most important legacy as governor.

**Carpenters** – They're baccckkk. Just a year after financial scandal shut down their St. Louis office, the Carpenters' union is playing in politics again. Just this week by sending \$100K into the St. Charles Republican state senate primary.

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