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Meet the Speakers

Speaker Bios



Isaac Adi-- My name is Isaac Adi and I'm running for the Lakota School Board. I am a very proud US citizen. I came to America from Nigeria over 18 years ago to provide my family with the opportunities in America that did not exist in my country.

The America I came to was one that gave everyone an equal chance to succeed. If you take advantage of the opportunities and work hard you will fulfill your dream. My family has taken advantage of the opportunities America offers by getting a strong education and working hard. America is a country that rewards those who are prepared, and are willing to work every day to achieve their own American dream. In America, we are all given the chance to achieve our dream. While I love my country of birth, I love the country I chose so many years ago, America. My family and I are examples of what can happen if you get a good education and work hard every day to

achieve your American dream.

I am a Business Administration graduate of Ahmadu Bello University in Zaria, Nigeria and I received a Master's in Science from Colorado Technical University in Colorado Springs, CO.

I am a managing partner of Ohio based KGN Petroleum and a member of the Ohio Oil & Gas Association. <https://www.isaacadi.com/on-the-issues>



Sarah Fowler Arthur— along with Rep. Diane Grendell are co-authors of HB327, the Bill to end Critical Race Theory in Ohio. State Representative Sarah Fowler Arthur is currently serving her first term in the Ohio House of Representatives. She represents the 99th House District, which includes portions of Ashtabula and Geauga Counties.

Prior to being elected to the House, Fowler Arthur has served on the Ohio State Board of Education since 2013. Sarah has supported parental direction of children's education and local control of Ohio's public schools throughout her tenure. She is the first homeschool graduate in the nation to be elected to a State Board of Education.

Sarah has served on more than a dozen State Board of Education committees and several workgroups, which has given her a wide range of education policy experience. She was the State Board's 2015 appointee to the National Association of State Boards of Education workgroup on Governmental Affairs that focused on federal education law and policy. Sarah has also served as vice-chairman for three committees (2014-2018) and was the chairman of the Teaching, Leading, and Learning Committee from 2019-2020.

A small business owner, Sarah started her first business when she was just eleven years old, operating "Sarah's Eggs" for thirteen years. <https://www.ohiohouse.gov/members/sarah-fowler-arthur>



Andrew Brenner—is Chairman of the Senate Education Committee. Senator Andrew Brenner is currently serving in his first term in the Ohio Senate, representing Senate District 19. He previously served four terms in the Ohio House of Representatives from 2011-2018 and as Delaware County Recorder from 2005-2010. Prior to his election as Recorder, he served on the Kingston Township zoning board and as a representative to the Delaware County Regional Planning Commission for Kingston Township.

Additionally, he is a part of several community organizations including: The Delaware County Farm Bureau, the National Rifle Association, and The Sunbury-Galena Rotary Club, and he currently serves on the Delaware County Republican Party Central Committee and on several local chambers of commerce.

Upon graduating from The Ohio State University in 1993, where he earned his bachelor of science degree in Business Administration, majoring in marketing and economics, Brenner spent 11 years as an entrepreneur in the real estate and mortgage fields. He recently earned a Masters of Education in Teaching and Learning with an emphasis in Leadership from Liberty University. He is a licensed REALTOR at Keller Williams Capital Partners. <https://www.ohiosenate.gov/senators/brenner/bio>



Rev. C.L. Bryant-- Native of Shreveport, LA. Family roots Cane River and Lafayette, LA. Son of World War II Veteran L.C. Bryant and mother Elnola Goode Bryant.

Education: LSU-S, Bishop College, Tampa College, Shreveport Bible, Master of Theology. Ordained by the Rev. Dr. E. Edward Jones, Former President National Baptist Convention of America. 37 years in Pastoral ministry, Missionary to South America including the Amazon. **Business:** 25 years in Finance and Mortgage.

Origination: Original Grassroots activist 2009 address to 1.5 million Washington, DC.

Senior Fellow at FreedomWorks. Creator & Star of the Crystal Dove award winning movie 'RUNAWAY SLAVE'. **Founder:** One Nation Back to God.

Frequent Guest: Fox News. The Blaze. CNN. MSNBC. Syndicated Radio. Columnist and Author. Former two-term President of NAACP Garland, Texas. On June 4, 2014, C.L. became Host of soon syndicated radio program THE CL BRYANT SHOW. Content of Character College Tour (HBCU). New film project will be called 'RED WHITE AND BLACK' which will be coming in 2016. C.L. Bryant is recognized as one of Americas most Dynamic Orators and he is a highly sought after Speaker, Motivator, Activist, Organizer, Gospel Preacher. Current Church affiliation is the Word of God Ministries with Pastor James A. McMenis and located in Shreveport, LA.

Family: Married to Jane C. Pruitt Bryant and a father of four; grandfather of 12.

<https://www.freedomworks.org/content/cl-bryant>



Ruth Edmonds--Ruth Edmonds is the Director of Christian Engagement at Center for Christian Virtue (CCV). Ruth brings her value as a Christian conservative leader, public policy activist and sought-after voice by clergy, lay ministers, the faith community and national media (Newsmax, America First with Sebastian Gorka, and Tucker Carlson) to CCV to educate, equip, exhort and engage the Christian community in being the salt and light that influences change in culture.

In addition to engaging pastors and congregations on issues impacting culture such as Critical Race Theory (CRT) and school choice, Ruth gives voice to the call and advances the message of Christian engagement in speaking opportunities throughout the state and nation.

Ruth is a licensed and ordained minister serving on the ministry leadership team at her home church, Columbus Christian Center. She serves on the Board of Trustees for J. Jireh Development Corporation, a faith-based inner-city ministry to benefit youth and homeless men. Ruth also serves on the Upper Arlington steering committee of LifeWise Academy, a Release Time for Religious Instruction program for students in the local public school district. A proud patriot and defender of the U.S. Constitution, Ruth's principles, character, ethics, and integrity are grounded in a biblical worldview. She lives in Upper Arlington, Ohio with her husband George. <https://www.ccv.org/ruth-edmonds>



Jennier Gross-- State Rep. Jennifer Gross is currently serving her first term in the Ohio House of Representatives. She represents the 52nd District, which includes West Chester Township, Liberty Township, Fairfield Township and part of Sharonville in Butler County. She is a 21-year Air Force veteran and retired Lt. Colonel, who served our great nation in Saudi Arabia during Operation Provide Comfort and in Sarajevo during Operation Provide Promise. Gross retired from the military in 2008. She is currently a member of American Legion Post 681 and VFW Post 7696, where she became the first active female inductee in February, 2019.

Representative Gross has been a Family Nurse Practitioner for over 16 years and a registered nurse for over 30 years. Prior to becoming an NP, she managed a three million dollar territory for Eli Lilly. She most recently participated as a sub-investigator for Operation WARP Speed developing treatments to help battle COVID-19. She also currently manages a small business as a health coach. Representative Gross believes in strong public policy that supports Ohio business success, legislation which supports and protects the unborn and will uphold Ohioans Constitutional Freedoms. She resides in West Chester with her husband, Chris, and their two sons. <https://ohiohouse.gov/members/jennifer-gross>



Kirsten Hill--Kirsten Hill was elected to the State Board of Education in November 2018, representing District 2. Her term began in January 2019 and expires in December 2022.

Kirsten and her husband, Andy, operated her family's year-round farm market in Lorain County for 25 years. She also ran a seasonal farm-tour business, hosting families and preschool through elementary classes for many years. She is the mother of two college students.

Prior to being a small business owner, she worked as a certified public accountant for KeyBank in Cleveland and for an Ann Arbor, Michigan firm.

Kirsten is a former 20-year member and one-time president of the Amherst Schools Education Foundation, which awards grants to teachers and scholarships to students graduating from Amherst Schools.

Kirsten has a bachelor's degree in accounting with a minor in German and a master's degree in business administration. She is the chairman of a local zoning board, chairman of a local community group, voting precinct committeeman and past chapter leader of a statewide business organization.

<http://education.ohio.gov/State-Board/State-Board-Members/District-2>



Jenny Shafer Kilgore --was elected to the State Board of Education in November 2018, representing District 4. Her term began in January 2019 and will end in December 2022. Jenny is a lifelong resident of Hamilton County. She graduated from Deer Park High School and earned a BS and master's degree in education from Xavier University, as well as a doctorate in educational leadership from Miami University.

She teaches undergraduate education majors at Miami University and education graduate students at Indiana Wesleyan. She taught middle school English students for 15 years at Landmark Christian School.

Jenny has been an elected member of the Village of Glendale Council since 2004 and currently serves as the village's vice mayor. She also is on the West Point Society, Cincinnati, board of directors; West Point Leadership & Ethics Seminar Planning Committee; The Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge, Cincinnati Chapter; Mid-Western Educational Research Association board; and a variety of county committees that encourage collaboration and fiscal responsibility.

Her goals as a State Board member are to provide teachers with the tools they need to be effective and students the supports they need to be active learners. <http://education.ohio.gov/State-Board/State-Board-Members/District-4>



Haddon Lockyer-- Haddon Lockyer is a 16 year old Christian, conservative, and founder/CEO of the news organization "The Informed Youth of America." (www.theinformedyouth.weebly.com). He is a sophomore at Frontier High School, where he loves to have discussions about current events with his classmates. He has a very patriotic family, consisting of his mother, Amanda, his father, Todd, and his siblings, Hudson and Abby.

Through his speaking engagements, Haddon hopes to point out that America's upcoming generation can turn the nation back towards the things of God and truth... or they can push it farther away. He hopes that adults will see how important it is to teach students to think for themselves, and that the lessons they teach at home and at school can change the face of America."



Josh Mandel—is a candidate for U.S. Senate. Josh Mandel, 43, recently completed two terms as Treasurer of the State of Ohio, overseeing the state's \$22B+ investment portfolio and \$232B+ pension custody portfolio. Josh was elected in 2010 and re-elected in 2014, winning both elections by double-digit margins.

In 2014 Josh introduced OhioCheckbook.com, a first-of-its-kind transparency website posting online over \$690 billion of state spending. As a result of his innovation in this area, Josh launched Ohio from 46th to the #1 ranking in America for government transparency.

In 2018 Josh launched OhioCrypto.com, making Ohio the first state in the nation to enable taxpayers to pay taxes with cryptocurrency. This initiative was part of his broader drive to motivate policymakers and business leaders to embrace blockchain technology.

When Josh took office, Ohio's finances were ranked 43rd in the nation and the state faced an \$8 billion budget hole. By the end of his first term, Ohio's financial ranking had improved to 7th in the nation and the state had more than a \$1 billion surplus.

Along the way, Josh was recognized with the Association of Government Accountants award for "Excellence in Financial Management", the American Society for Public Administration's award for "Integrity and Ethical Conduct in Public Service".

Josh's previous elected experience included two terms in the Ohio House of Representatives, where he was elected after knocking on 19,679 doors and wearing out three pairs of shoes discussing the needs and concerns of his constituents. During his time in the state legislature, Josh served as the Ranking Member of the Financial Institutions, Real Estate, and Securities Committee. Inspired by a strong sense of duty, Josh enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserves in 2000, where he graduated first in his class from Marine Corps Boot Camp and first in his class from Marine Corps Intelligence School. Josh, 43, recently completed two terms as Treasurer of the State of Ohio, overseeing the state's \$22B+ investment portfolio and \$232B+ pension custody portfolio. Josh was elected in 2010 and re-elected in 2014, winning both elections by double-digit margins. www.joshmandel.com



Josiah Lanning -- As a native of North Linden, Columbus, Ohio, Josiah is a *political outsider* and innovative *problem-solver* who has embraced a lifestyle of a *battle-tested champion*. He has spent his entire life defying seemingly insurmountable odds, accomplishing what others have viewed as impossible.

In 2019, Josiah graduated from The Ohio State University's Glenn College with a Masters' Degree in Public Administration and Public Policy, becoming one of the first individuals in a wheelchair to achieve this honor. During his time at the Glenn College, he had the opportunity to participate in [Hacking4Defense \(Rapid Innovation for Public Impact\)](#), a nationally renowned course which equipped participants with a unique skillset needed both effectively lead and solve public problems. Currently, Josiah is an independent policy advocate and a candidate for the Ohio House in 2023. As District 22's elected representative, Josiah plans to utilize his proven skillset and unique perspective to solve the complex issues facing Ohio's communities. www.LanningforOhio.org



Mark Pukita--Mark did not marry into money. He did not find wealth in venture capital schemes. He built jobs and propelled the success of countless small, mid-sized, and large businesses. He came from humble, lower working-class roots but, unlike others in the Senate race, he never walked away from his working-class values.

Mark grew up on the east coast and moved to Ohio in 1976. He has a degree with honors from The Ohio State University. Mark lives in Dublin, is a proud grandparent to two grandsons, and wants Ohio families to be proud to raise their children and grandchildren here. Mark is a wildly successful entrepreneur who embodies hard work done right. In 1996, he started a company, Fast Switch, with only \$1,000. That small investment created thousands of good paying jobs. Over two decades later he sold most of the business to his executive team, the very ones who, with Mark, built Fast Switch's success. His company was recognized 9 times by Columbus Business First as a "Fast 50" company.

Mark wants to be proud of Ohio, but is not. Ohio is the heart of the country. With the 7th largest population in the nation, Ohioans deserve a force to be reckoned with in Washington. A Senator who is not afraid to swing a bat backed by over 11-million citizens. For far too long our elected officials have been weak and irrelevant. Refusing to fight for Ohio's values has put us all at risk. Mark will fight so we can all be "Ohio Proud" <https://pukitaforsenate2022.com/>

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