

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Fleischauer should run again on 'moral values'

On behalf of people with disabilities in Monongalia County, I would like to thank Barbara Evans Fleischauer for her 10 years of service in the West Virginia House of Delegates.

Delegate Fleischauer has been an advocate for people with disabilities by giving them a voice in the Legislature.

She has advocated for laws that help the disabled gain and maintain employment, receive an equal education, and live independently outside the confines of an institution. Her loss in the recent election is a great loss to the disability community.

According to opinion polls that were taken after the election, the No. 1 issue that people voted on was moral values. There is no more important moral value than helping people with disabilities become independent and productive. In the Bible, Jesus repeatedly helped people with disabilities. He enabled the blind to see and the lame to walk.

In other words he empowered people with disabilities. Additionally, in the old testament God chose Moses, a person with a disability, to lead his people to freedom.

Hopefully, in the next election, Fleischauer will run to reclaim her seat in the Legislature. And hopefully the people of Monongalia County will vote on real moral values and not the false values of the Republican Party.

Real moral values include helping the poor, the oppressed and the disabled. If anyone upholds moral values it is Delegate Fleischauer.

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