



Meet Hank Linderman



What they are doing in Washington isn't working. It's time for a change.

Hank's parents, Gus and Jackie, were stationed in Florida where Gus was a U. S. Marine when Hank was born. After leaving the Corps, Gus worked in sales for the Glidden Paint Company, and later for Tronox Inc., moving every few years. In 1970, the family moved to Kentucky. Hank entered Atherton High School as a junior, and within a year he was elected Student Council President, his one and only campaign.

Hank showed a strong interest in music at an early age. As a six-year-old, he interrupted a church service to get

special permission to join the choir. By the time he was a 5th grader, he was accepted into the prestigious and internationally recognized St. Thomas Choir School in New York City.

While in his senior year at Atherton, Hank began working as a guitarist, performing weekends and even some week nights. After high school, he formed his first touring band, playing throughout Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio and Tennessee. Hank also took classes at the University of Louisville and worked on the floor selling motorcycles at Suzuki of Louisville.

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Left to right: Hank, Jack, Lucy and Pam.

Hank Linderman



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Hank continued working as a musician during the 70's and early 80's, but he realized that to continue advancing in his career he would need to move, either to New York City (too cold, might starve), Nashville (too close to home, might give up too easily) or Los Angeles, where he and his wife Pam reasoned they wouldn't freeze, and they might not starve because of the orange trees they had been told were everywhere.

The couple sold everything they could and moved west in 1983 with \$3,000. Half of that nest egg disappeared when they rented their first apartment. Years of hard work and struggle resulted in Hank building a solid career as a self-employed musician and recording engineer, with several very well-known clients. Pam started and continues to lead her own small business. They will celebrate their 36th Anniversary in July 2018. They raised 2 children, Lucy and Jack, in their modest house in Culver City, California.

Hank and Pam came back to Kentucky every year, to spend time with their families and friends, spending weeks and months at a time. Nearly 13 years ago, they realized a lifelong dream and bought a double-wide at Rough River in Grayson County, just 3 doors from where Pam's family once owned a home. Rough River remains their favorite place on earth.

Reading these articles will show exactly why Hank is running, and what he plans to do if you and your neighbors grant him the privilege of serving you in Congress.

Immediate Solutions in the Opioid Crisis

The opioid crisis is a national emergency. Drug overdoses, primarily opioids, have become the number one cause of accidental death in the United States, resulting in a decrease in life expectancy

in our country and untold suffering for the families and friends of those who are addicted. **Addiction is more than a family can manage,**

and we need to do more than imprison addicts, many of whom were prescribed the very drugs they became addicted to.

Expanded Treatment Centers, Not "More Prisons"

We must be willing to try new solutions, including comprehensive marijuana reform, expansion of treatment centers, aggressive prosecution of irresponsible pharmaceutical corporations, and decriminalization of possession for those who are addicted.



Better Education Means Better Jobs

The key to better jobs at higher wages is better education and training.

College and other higher education has never been more expensive than it is today, and the average student loan debt is \$26,000. The financing of higher education has become predatory. The government should not profit from student loans.

By law, corporations can get rid of debt through bankruptcy, students cannot. This is just one more example of special interests getting Congress to protect them and not ordinary people.

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Create Jobs with Livable Wages

Income and wealth inequality in America has increased to levels not seen since the Great Depression. It is the root of many of the problems we face in the United States.

American workers must earn a living wage. I support increased prosperity for those who work, beginning with increasing the minimum wage to \$15.

The recent Republican \$1.5 trillion tax bill will add more than \$1 trillion to the deficit over the next decade, mostly to cut taxes for the wealthiest Americans and corporations. This is borrowed money that our children and grandchildren will have to pay back.

Less than one-third of the tax cut went to those with middle and lower incomes. This means that the tax cut could have been a small business and middle / lower income tax cut only, without increasing our national debt.

I will work to overturn the \$1 trillion tax cut the Republicans gave to people and corporations earning over \$500,000 a year.



New Opportunities in Clean Energy

Energy has long been an important industry in Kentucky. Clean energy, like natural gas, solar, wind, hydro, nuclear, electric vehicles, biofuels and other technologies, is creating jobs faster than any other segment of the economy, employing over 2.5 million people nationwide.

Cleaner Environment, Increased Job Opportunities

Congress must support tax credits and other incentives for generating clean energy while protecting our current energy jobs. This also means cleaner air and waterways for those who enjoy Kentucky's outdoors for hunting, fishing, hiking, boating and so many other activities.



Comprehensive Marijuana Reform

I support legalization of medical marijuana and recategorizing marijuana away from a Schedule I Substance at the Federal level. This will create jobs and provide much-needed tax revenue to the Commonwealth. We have been wasting resources continuing the failed "War on Drugs". **It is time to end this costly prohibition.**

Medical Marijuana is Effective

Medical marijuana is the only effective treatment for certain types of epilepsy in children. It helps those with cancer and PTSD manage their pain and anxiety. Allowing citizens to consume marijuana to manage their pain will help them avoid addictive and dangerous drugs, including prescription opioids and pain killers.

Solving Problems with Civil Discourse and Deliberation

Discourse and deliberation have disappeared from our political process. While it is fine to disagree, **it is time for all Americans to dial down the rhetoric, speak more civilly, and be willing to engage in reasonable discourse in order to find effective solutions for the serious problems we face.**

No single political point of view can provide all of the answers. True collaboration is the only effective way forward. I look forward to hearing from citizens in the 2nd District. **Whatever your viewpoint, let's work together to improve our District, the Commonwealth of Kentucky and our Great Nation.**



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Health Care For All

Including mental, dental and vision. This principle has been absent from the public debate for too long. When critics say we can't afford it, let's examine exactly what it would cost and what the social and medical benefits would be.

A Better Outcome

Our current system is too expensive, too complex and focused on the wrong goals. What we need is a health care system that is much easier to navigate, that is focused on prevention and cure as opposed to treatment and served to a greater degree by non-profit providers. This will lead to better outcomes - longer life expectancy, lower infant mortality and healthier citizens.

Expanded Rural Broadband

Just as Franklin D. Roosevelt championed the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 and Dwight Eisenhower promoted the Interstate Highway System in 1956, rural broadband must become a national priority.

It's a necessity for students to compete in school, for people to work and communicate, and to handle all the necessary online tasks in a modern world. For those living paycheck to paycheck, access to robust broadband is a leading indicator as to their ability to work their way out of poverty.

We must make this critical investment for our future.

Protect Funding For the Arts

It may be hard to imagine a society without art, but when artists - musicians, actors, painters, dancers, sculptors, etc. - cannot support themselves, we run the risk of losing our way as a nation. I will support funding for arts programs, especially in our schools. **We need to encourage the creative skills, culture, enrichment of life and the jobs the arts can provide.**

Protect Social Security and Medicare

America must stand by the promise it has made to our seniors by protecting Social Security and Medicare. Our seniors paid into the funds that pay both Social Security and Medicare benefits and Hank will not allow any cuts.

It's a promise that must be kept!



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