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0 for 2. Two scheduled debates and no appearances from the incumbent or other challenger. Not only are my opponents afraid, but they are also misleading. On the debate scheduled for July 6th, Commissioner Banks said, "[When they asked me, I already had a meet-and-greet and a fundraiser scheduled.](#)" The commissioner made it look like there was only one date given. I was asked for a series of dates and was told that the Commissioner would not commit to any date, so the GOP finally had to put a date down. For today's debate, the other challenger, Mr. Senter, said, "[he had better things to do on Saturday morning — namely, knock on doors.](#)" The problem with that statement is that he was seen at Curt's at 10 and didn't show up in my neighborhood to knock on doors until noon; leaving plenty of time to do the debate.

Well gentlemen, there is a 3rd debate scheduled at the Spout Springs Library on Thursday, July 15, at 6:30. Do you think you can make that one? Edmund Burke said, "Nobody makes a greater mistake than he who does nothing because he could do only a little." I realize that I can be intimidating, but I think it is important that you show up, even if you can only do a little. By denying the public the right and ability to learn your positions and platform, you are robbing them of their liberty and rights. John Adams said in 1765, "Liberty cannot be preserved without a general knowledge among the people, who have a right...and a desire to know." The people desire to know what you stand for. So far all I can glean from your websites and mailers are the typical empty politician sound bites. How about making yourselves available to answer the tough questions like I have at the last 2 debates.

If anything, I am interested in knowing what your plans are for the next 4 years if by some miracle the public buys the sound bites and puts either of you into office.

