



HAPPY NEW YEAR

JANUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING, Wednesday, January 13, 2016

Our speaker, Supervisor of Elections Kathy Dent, will swear in our officers for 2016 and inform us about the new voting machines to be used in the 2016 election.

Join us at 11:30 a.m. for lunch. The program will follow at 12:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at Venice Gardens Civic Association, 406 Shamrock Blvd., Venice.

President's Message, Barbara Vaughn

We've had quite a year, but the best is yet to come! That's how I'd like us all to enter 2016: hopeful, expectant, and ready to do the hard work in front of us. Saving our country is up to us – not some nameless, faceless “them” or “somebody else.” We have amazing opportunities ahead, but we must work *together* to achieve success.

1. **Be aware.** You can't defend yourself if you don't see it coming – whatever “it” is! Situational awareness is critical in every aspect of our lives. The more you know about what's going on around you, physically, environmentally, and politically, the better you can avoid bad situations.
2. **Be prepared.** You've heard me say dozens of times: food, water, cash and gas – whether it's a storm, a natural disaster or something more ominous, you will need those things to take care of your family.
3. **Study our sizable field of candidates.** Decide who best matches your ideas, attitudes, and beliefs and work for that candidate in any way you're able. As a chartered Republican Club, we cannot endorse a candidate prior to the primaries. But individuals are free to endorse and work for the candidate of their choice. I encourage you to do that.
4. **Vote.** After we've selected our Republican candidate, we must ALL get behind him or her and work together. Allowing petty things to divide us will conquer us (dare I say, AGAIN?!). Get behind our candidate and work as hard as you can – then go VOTE! Not voting is virtually always a vote for the worst candidate. You know the saying: “the only thing necessary for evil to thrive is for good people to do nothing.” So, please, don't do “nothing!” Work for our candidate, then go vote for him/her!

Get 2016 off to the right start. Come to our January meeting and bring a friend – or two! GBYRG, Barb

January Birthdays

Elizabeth Bauer
Eva Berrish
Paul Brown
Dan Church
Beth Colvin
Cynthia Crowe
Edward Crowe
Dale DeYoung
David Fischer
Chuck Ford
Richard Gortz
Gordon Little
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CHRISTMAS PARTY FESTIVITIES



President Barbara Vaughn presents Don O'Nesky with the RCSSC Lifetime Achievement Award for 2015



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Sunshine Committee

If you know of any member who is sick, has been in the hospital, has lost a loved one, or who we have missed seeing at our meetings, call our Sunshine Chair Mary O'Nesky at 497-6454

Help Us Grow Our Club

We need volunteers to welcome new Republicans who move into the RCSSC area! You can help by contacting newcomers by mail and inviting them to come to our meetings.

If you can help, contact Don O'Nesky:

elephantpride@aol.com

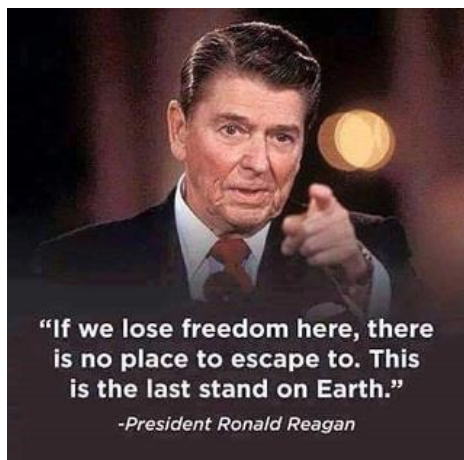
**In the Belly of a Horse, by Russell Turner, Excerpts
November 20, 2015, Submitted by Don O'Nesky**

We may think that the problems that we face today are unique and no other civilization has had to deal with similar problems, but we would be very wrong. Sadly war and the quest for conquest has always been a part of the human condition. The ancient story about the fall of the city of Troy has a lot in common with current events. The citizens of Troy had withstood countless invasion attempts, but their success and overconfidence would eventually be their downfall. When the ancient Greeks failed to take the city, they used the Trojan Horse to get some of their people into the city to open the gates, which would allow them to conquer the city. The people of Troy acted foolishly when they assumed the Greeks had given up and left them a trophy of a huge wooden horse by the gates of the city. The people of Troy carried the trophy inside the walls and had a huge drunken celebration. Because of that action, the city fell and became a member of countless cultures who were defeated and ceased to exist. The actions of our president makes me believe that he either doesn't understand history or he is so full of himself he doesn't care.

Our nation has always welcomed people from all parts of the world who wished to come here to start a new life, accept our way of life, and have a desire to become Americans. While many of the people coming from Syria are good people and want a better life, our own intelligence agencies are warning us that there are ISIS fighters who have infiltrated the flow of refugees and are intent on causing as much mayhem as possible in our country. Instead of heeding the warning, our president is hell bent upon allowing piles of people into our country that we know nothing about. While the administration claims that they have a ROBUST vetting process, I have some serious concerns about their ability to screen these people. Our government can't even screen the criminals from our neighbor to the south or competently operate an E-verify system.

The thugs of ISIS have stated openly that they have the desire to kill anyone who does not agree with their brand of religion and they will hide their fighters in the belly of a horse or in a flood of refugees. We need to slow down this process and create a safe zone for these people in Syria and make sure that the people wanting to come to this country are not coming here to kill as many of us as they can.

We Americans are tired of the arrogance and stupidity of allowing our citizens to be put at risk; we don't want to experience the same fate as the people of Paris, France.



**Do You Have Something
You Would Like Printed in
the *Patriot*?**

The RCSSC welcomes letters to the editor or articles from members for publication in our *Patriot* newsletter. The letter or article should be brief and appropriate for our Republican readers. Please include sources for articles other than your own. Send articles to newsletter editor Gladys Green via e-mail or snail mail:

gladysg33@comcast.net;
330 W. Baffin Dr., Venice, FL
34293 Deadline for articles
to be submitted is the 20th of
each month.

**Great Truths
Submitted by Barbara Vaughn**

"In my many years I have come to a conclusion that one useless man is a shame, two is a law firm, and three or more is a congress."

John Adams

"If you don't read the newspaper you are uninformed, if you do read the newspaper you are misinformed."

Mark Twain

"Suppose you were an idiot. And suppose you were a member of Congress. But then I repeat myself."

Mark Twain

"I contend that for a nation to try to tax itself into prosperity is like a man standing in a bucket and trying to lift himself up by the handle."

Winston Churchill



2015 RCSSC Board Members: L-R: Don O’Nesky, Advisor; Dale DeYoung, Membership/ Communications; Peachie DeYoung, Treasurer; Barbara Vaughn, President; Chuck Ford, Vice President; Gladys Green, Hospitality/Newsletter Editor; Mary O’Nesky, Sunshine.

NOW IT’S TIME TO ELECT OFFICERS FOR 2016

Election of Officers for 2016

The nominating committee has selected the following nominees for RCSSC officers in 2016:

- President: Barbara Vaughn
- Vice President: Chuck Ford
- Secretary: Alice Letizi
- Treasurer: Robert Unsell

Additional nominations may be made from the floor. The election will be held at our regular meeting on January 13, 2016. Only paid members are eligible to seek office and to vote in the election, so please ensure that your membership is current. If you have not paid your membership dues for 2016 and wish to seek office or vote, fill out the membership form on the last page of this newsletter and bring it along with your payment to the January 13 meeting.



“A government which robs Peter to pay Paul can always depend on the support of Paul.”
George Bernard Shaw

“A liberal is someone who feels a great debt to his fellow man, which debt he proposes to pay off with your money.”
G. Gordon Liddy

“Democracy must be something more than two wolves and a sheep voting on what to have for dinner.”
James Bovard, Civil Libertarian (1994)

“Foreign aid might be defined as a transfer of money from poor people in rich countries to rich people in poor countries.”
Douglas Case, Classmate of Bill Clinton at Georgetown University.

“Giving money and power to government is like giving whiskey and car keys to teenage boys.”
P.J. O’Rourke, Civil Libertarian

“Government is the great fiction, through which everybody endeavors to live at the expense of everybody else.”
Frederic Bastiat, French economist (1801-1850)

“Government’s view of the economy could be summed up in a few short phrases: If it moves, tax it. If it keeps moving, regulate it. And if it stops moving, subsidize it.”
Ronald Reagan (1986)

“I don’t make jokes. I just watch the government and report the

Obama's 'Titanic' Deception about Islam, Excerpts
Lt. Colonel James G. Zumwalt, USMC (Ret.), November 27, 2015

Navigating America's ship-of-state in the wake of terrorist attacks in Paris by Islamic State jihadis, President Barack Obama has made an incredulous decision to sail full speed ahead into some very dangerous waters.

Islamic State boasts about having used the influx of Syrian refugees flooding Europe as concealment to position terrorists for those attacks. Despite this and despite warnings as to the dangers of doing so, Obama has announced he will press forward with resettling thousands of Syrian refugees in the U.S.

Over a century ago, another ship navigated into harms way when a captain refused to heed warnings he was given – opting instead to sail full speed ahead. Motivated by ego rather than the safety of the lives entrusted to him, Captain Edward J. Smith sealed Titanic's fate.

As Obama not only ignores warnings about terrorists hiding among Syrian refugees but also aggressively fights efforts to improve the vetting process for them, he – like Captain Smith – will not be remembered kindly by history for the consequences of his decision.

In saying he will press forward to resettle Syrian refugees, Obama ignores evidence of the European turmoil Muslim immigration is creating. Videos show endless waves of Muslims descending upon villages like swarms of locusts, stripping towns of anything of value. Bloodied homeowners are shown in disbelief and shock nothing is done to protect them or their property as law enforcement is simply overwhelmed by the sheer numbers involved.

While a U.S. relocation effort would undoubtedly be better organized, historically once a Muslim population grows in numbers, it exhibits a more aggressive side – one focusing on maximizing its culture and laws, as mandated by Islam, at the expense of those of the host nation.

Obama has infected subordinates with an influenza of irresponsibility and deception, pressing them to promote Islam as a "peaceful" religion despite a contrary reality. This deception has been acknowledged by the head of the Department of Homeland Security, Jeh Johnson. Earlier this year he revealed U.S. government policy is to refrain from labeling Islam-motivated attacks as such, even when clear evidence exists, in an effort to "build trust" among Muslims.

It should now be clear we no longer can assume Obama's refusal to link terrorism and Islam is driven by blind ignorance. We must recognize his motivation is one of malicious intent to conceal from the American public a very dark side Islam has for everything non-Islamic.

Not until the Titanic actually struck that iceberg long ago did her passengers even know a threat to all onboard existed. America's ship-of-state is on course for an attack of Titanic proportions by Islamic-motivated terrorists. When it happens, Obama will not be surprised -- and, at this point, due to his seven-year effort to hide what should be obvious to all passengers onboard, neither

facts."

Will Rogers

"If you think health care is expensive now, wait until you see what it costs when it's free!"

P. J. O'Rourke

"In general, the art of government consists of taking as much money as possible from one party of the citizens to give to the other."

Voltaire (1764)

"Just because you do not take an interest in politics doesn't mean politics won't take an interest in you!"

Pericles (430 B.C.)

"No man's life, liberty, or property is safe while the legislature is in session."

Mark Twain (1866)

"Talk is cheap, except when Congress does it."

Anonymous

"The government is like a baby's alimentary canal, with a happy appetite at one end and no responsibility at the other."

Ronald Reagan

"The inherent vice of capitalism is the unequal sharing of the blessings. The inherent blessing of socialism is the equal sharing of misery."

Winston Churchill

"The only difference between a tax man and a taxidermist is that the taxidermist leaves the skin."

Mark Twain

"The ultimate result of shielding men from the effects of folly is to fill the world with fools."

should we.

In 1899 Winston Churchill Warned Us about Islam **Submitted by Don O'Nesky**

Winston Churchill had no problem understanding Islam as he explained in *The River Wars*, first edition, Vol. II, pages 248 - 50 (London: Longmans, Green & Co., 1899). But the Obama Administration has a different view which seems to be true on all the important issues pertaining to our national security. Maybe this is why Obama removed the Churchill bust from the White House.

The item below was published by the Churchill Centre.

<http://www.winstonchurchill.org/component/content/article/33-datelines/622-datelines-fh-113>

This is what Churchill had to say:

"How dreadful are the curses which Mohammedanism lays on its votaries! Besides the fanatical frenzy, which is as dangerous in a man as hydrophobia in a dog, there is this fearful fatalistic apathy. The effects are apparent in many countries.

"Improvident habits, slovenly systems of agriculture, sluggish methods of commerce, and insecurity of property exist wherever the followers of the Prophet rule or live. A degraded sensualism deprives this life of its grace and refinement; the next of its dignity and sanctity.

"The fact that in Mohammedan law every woman must belong to some man as his absolute property *either as a child, a wife, or a concubine* must delay the final extinction of slavery until the faith of Islam has ceased to be a great power among men.

"Individual Moslems may show splendid qualities. Thousands become the brave and loyal soldiers of the Queen; all know how to die; but the influence of the religion paralyses the social development of those who follow it.

"No stronger retrograde force exists in the world. Far from being moribund, Mohammedanism is a militant and proselytizing faith. It has already spread throughout Central Africa, raising fearless warriors at every step; and were it not that Christianity is sheltered in the strong arms of science (the science against which it had vainly struggled) the civilization of modern Europe might fall, as fell the civilization of ancient Rome."

Herbert Spencer, English Philosopher (1820-1903)

"There is no distinctly Native American criminal class, save Congress."

Mark Twain

"What this country needs are more unemployed politicians."
Edward Langley, Artist (1928-1995)

"A government big enough to give you everything you want, is strong enough to take everything you have."

Thomas Jefferson

"We hang the petty thieves and appoint the great ones to public office."

Aesop

Jokes about Getting Older

I don't trip over things, I do random gravity checks.

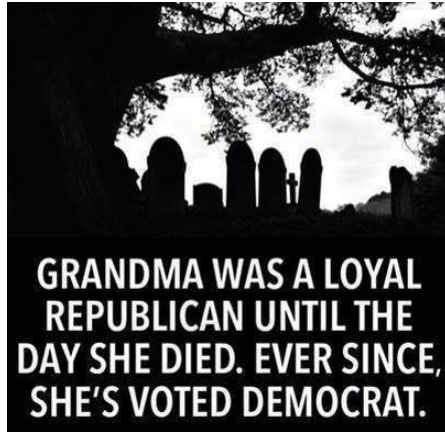
When I was a child I thought nap time was a punishment ... now, as a grownup, it just feels like a small vacation.

The biggest lie I tell myself is ... "I don't need to write that down, I'll remember it."

Lord grant me the strength to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change things I can, and the friends to post my bail when I finally snap.

I don't have gray hair. I have "wisdom highlights."

My people skills are just fine. It's my tolerance to idiots that



needs work.

Teach your daughter how to shoot, because a restraining order is just a piece of paper.

If God wanted me to touch my toes, he would've put them on my knees.

The kids text me "plz" which is shorter than please. I text back "no" which is shorter than "yes."

I'm going to retire and live off of my savings. Not sure what I'll do that second week.

Even duct tape can't fix stupid ... but it can muffle the sound.

Why do I have to press one for English when you're just going to transfer me to someone I can't understand anyway?

Of course I talk to myself; sometimes I need expert advice.

At my age "Getting lucky" means walking into a room and remembering what I actually came in there for.

Wouldn't it be great if we could put ourselves in the dryer for ten minutes and come out wrinkle-free and three sizes smaller.

Last year I joined a support group for procrastinators. We haven't met yet.

Live simply, love generously, care deeply, speak kindly, and trust in our Creator who loves us.

Texas Sheriff Urges Residents to Arm Themselves Amid Gun Control Push, excerpts from Facebook, Submitted by Kerry Longworth

A sheriff in Northeast Texas (Randy Kennedy) is the latest local law enforcement personality to urge the public to take up firearms in self defense. In response to Obama's Oval Office Address in which the president expressed a desire to curtail American gun rights, Sheriff Kennedy posted on Facebook on December 6:

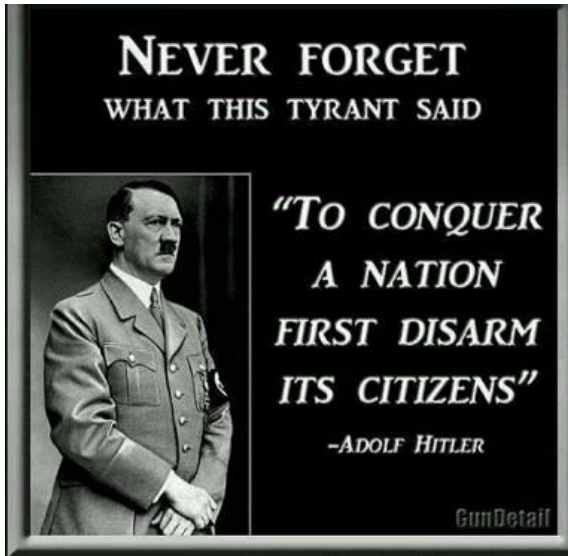
"I know that there are a lot of law-abiding gun owners out there and nobody who is a legal gun owner has ever wanted to harm or kill anyone . . . nor are we going to allow anyone to seek us out and kill us or do harm to our families.

"So, I strongly encourage you to help me by arming yourselves because I know that we as law enforcement do the very best we can to protect our citizens and we do a good job.

"Now, Mr. Obama, you need to understand what the Second Amendment is for. It is not for hunting. It is there for the American people to protect themselves against the criminal elements, to protect themselves from terrorists and radical ideology and it's also there to protect us against the government that has overreached its power.

"You are not our potentate, sir. You are our servant to serve and protect us first, and I suggest sir, since you're a constitutional expert that you better review our history on the Constitution and understand that we are a free people and we are subject to no one other than the Almighty God and Jesus Christ the King.

"And as such sir, I strongly encourage you to trust the law-abiding American citizen because you won't fail in that and we won't let you down. But if you try to disarm us, sir, then you will cause a revolution in this country to occur. So, please revise your thinking because we are not your enemy, the law-abiding gun owner in this country."



RCSSC has a website and a Facebook page

VP Chuck Ford and member Leo Katzenstein have brought our website up to date. Click on rcsscgop.com to check it out. If you are on Facebook, click on Republican Club of South Sarasota County and LIKE us. We will post upcoming events to keep you informed and photos of our club activities for you to enjoy.

Time to Pay Dues for 2016

Membership dues for 2016 are due by January 1. If you have not yet paid, make your check payable to the RCSSC and give it to Treasurer Peachie DeYoung at a membership meeting or mail it to the RCSSC, PO Box 352, Venice, FL 34285-0352. Dues are \$25.00 for an individual or \$40.00 for a couple. See membership form below.

RCSSC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM PLEASE PRINT

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