



## *HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY, MAY 14, 2017*

**MAY MEMBERSHIP MEETING, Wednesday, May 10, 2017**

**Program:** Our speaker Julio Gonzalez, State Representative for District 74, will discuss the latest session of the Florida legislature.

**Join us for lunch at 11:30; the program will begin at 12:00 noon. Venice Gardens Civic Association, 406 Shamrock Blvd., Venice.**

### **Club President's Soapbox**

Happy Spring to all! I want to thank each and every member of our Club. It is you that we on the Executive Board want to focus upon. Without you, there is no organized grassroots activity to help local candidates, the county and state parties, and national elected officials to accomplish the greater good America so truly needs in our time. With you, we meet new friends, have a "safe place" to share our thoughts on politics and current events, and have fun.

Many more individual thank-you recognitions follow:

**Win Orben and his Adopt-a-Road Team** (Nancy Cockcroft, Doug Graham, Mac Maclary, Bob Unsell, Chuck Ford, Debbie & Charlie Rossi, Bill Lindquist, Bill Crocker and others) -- Our road crew warriors did a great job the past month! (See photo on page 8). Next effort is on Armed Forces Day, Saturday, May 20. Contact: [ww-orben@webtv.net](mailto:ww-orben@webtv.net) or 474-4453.

**Gladys Green** -- for her beautiful work on our recent newsletter. She is always there for us.

**New Volunteers for our appointed positions who were willing to say YES!** -- Robert Sprague, Publicity and Public Relations; Rich Angley, Programs and Projects; and Leo Katzenstein, Membership. We are still seeking a Sergeant-at-Arms, Bylaws Resource Person, and Parliamentarian Resource Person. Anyone interested?

Our Reagan Day Patriots' Day Dinner was a success. It was beautifully done by our Project Team! Guest speaker, Adam Putnam, Commissioner of Agriculture, shared his Vision for Florida and received encouragement from our Club to seek the highest office in our state. Peachie and Dale DeYoung were recognized for their many years of Club and GOP service! Others recognized for their service were Cynthia Crowe for her creativity and GOP dedication, Harry Walia for his generosity and Big Picture ideas, and Terry Angley for her organizing and "Can Do" attitude. We attracted many VIPs from the Republican Party of Sarasota (RPOS) and as far as Lakeland! Well done. This was a fundraiser event and as Harry Walia, our Club treasurer, shares, will greatly assist us in our grassroots efforts going forward.

I hope all enjoyed our spring picnic. It was a time for socializing and great grilled and prepared dishes. Thanks to Chuck Ford and Leo Katzenstein, our grill cooks; Terry Angley, our menu planner and shopper; and Gladys Green, Debbie Rossi, Don and Mary O'Nesky,

### **May Birthdays**

Rich Angley  
Marcia Drury  
Lillian Eppes  
James Garlock  
Althea "Buddy" Hughes  
Richard Lindsley  
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#### **Refreshments (Hospitality)**

**Chair:** See Gladys Green

Jo Henry, Cynthia Crowe, and Peachie and Dale DeYoung who all helped with setting up tables and assisting with food service.

Our parent organization, the RPOS, has reviewed our recent charter renewal, which was successful. The RPOS has offered to help us update our bylaws to better reflect the state party's guidelines and will contact us in May to offer their assistance. As members, we should all be familiar with our bylaws. Please go to our webpage, managed by Chuck Ford, and click on the link to see or download a copy of our current bylaws: <http://www.katzxy.com/rcsscgp.com/by-laws/> .

President Donald Trump's first 100 Days are drawing to a close. It has been both a productive and a tumultuous time in Washington, D.C. Please send your cards and letters to Representative Tom Rooney and our senators, Marco Rubio and Bill Nelson, to encourage them to help complete the People's Agenda. Let them know we are behind the Elected President. This is a crucial time for all of us to be united and support one another, from the National Party right down to the very club level.

Thanks, Tom Van Dyke

## ***PHOTOS FROM OUR APRIL POTLUCK PICNIC***



**Grilling the burgers and hot dogs**



**Posing with President Trump**



**Enjoying friendship and good food**

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**Immediate Past President:**  
Barbara Vaughn (2015-2016)

John Harrison (2013-2014)  
Peachie DeYoung (2011-2012)  
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Barbara Hines (2006)  
Don O'Nesky (2004-2005)  
Richard Brady (2003)  
Francis Kendrick (2001-2002)  
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Dave Brown (1998)  
Harold Hart (1997)

### **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 *The 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](mailto:gladysg33@comcast.net); 330 W. Baffin Dr., Venice, FL 34293.

Deadline for articles to be submitted is the 20th of each month.

**Four Broken Obamacare Promises that Town Hall Protesters Should Remember, by Jean Morrow, *The Daily Signal*, February 15, 2017, Excerpts submitted by Don O'Nesky**

Members of Congress who are planning to repeal and replace Obamacare have been greeted at town hall meetings by hostile crowds. These folks seem to have amnesia about Obamacare's glaring failures:

**1. Costs are exploding:** President Obama promised that typical family costs would be cut by \$2,500 annually. Instead, the typical family today pays 35 percent of their income for health care.

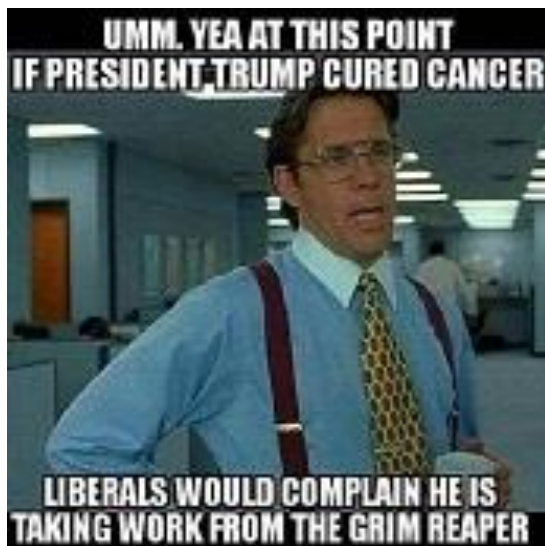
From 2010 to 2017, average individual market premium increases were 99 percent for individuals and a jaw-dropping 140 percent for families. For those with employer-sponsored insurance, average family premiums increased nearly 32 percent. Higher premiums are not the only shock; for the lowest tier bronze plans in 2017, the average deductible for an individual is \$6,092 and \$12,383 for a family.

**2. Competition and choice are declining:** Obama told America that competition would increase in health insurance markets. Instead, Humana is the latest in a growing list of insurers who are jumping ship from this massive public policy failure. In 2017 consumers in 70 percent of U.S. counties are left with just one or two insurer options on the exchanges.

**3. Forget about keeping your plan:** Obama's most famous promise was, "If you like your health care plan, you'll be able to keep your health care plan." Instead, in 2014, the first year that Obamacare was fully implemented, at least 4.7 million policies were canceled across 30 states. In addition, thousands of co-op enrollees who signed up under federally-funded insurers have lost their health care plans, some in the middle of the year.

**4. No, you can't necessarily keep your doctor:** Obama promised patients that they could keep their doctors. Instead, rising costs, limited flexibility, and fixed benefit designs resulted in limited access to doctors and other medical professionals in order to contain costs.

For seven years, Obamacare has proven to be one giant bundle of broken promises and policy failures. Congress needs to get serious—quickly—and repeal Obamacare. This is a crucial first step in moving American toward the patient-centered health care system our country deserves.



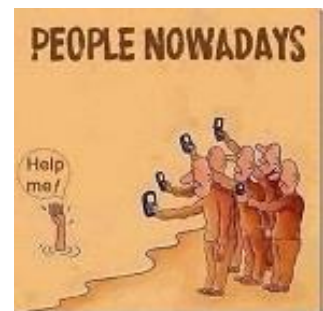
**Sunshine Committee**

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](mailto:elephantpride@aol.com)





**Park Service: Illegals destroying federal lands, unsafe for camping.** by Paul Bedard, *Washington Examiner*, April 11, 2017, Excerpts

Illegal immigration and drug running have destroyed border parklands, further threatened two species on the endangered list and led federal officials to bar visitors and campers in areas considered too dangerous to visit, according to newly released reports.

In studies of two parks that make up less than 90 miles of the Arizona-Mexico border, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and National Park Service said that the areas have been ripped up with thousands of miles of unauthorized roads from vehicles that have crushed plants and animal habitat. What's more, fires started by illegals have burned hundreds of acres of forestland and mountains of drugs, trash and abandoned cars and trucks have been found.

The reports, written before the huge surge of illegal immigration in the final years of the Obama administration, back up the Trump administration's push for border fencing. They reveal that when fencing is erected, human and vehicle traffic drop dramatically and help the impacted areas recover. Just last week, the nation's former top Border Patrol agent testified before a Senate committee that more recent fencing in the area cut illegal traffic 94 percent and "actually allowed for the rejuvenation of areas that had previously been devastated due to heavy illegal pedestrian and vehicular traffic."

The focus on the damage done to protected ecosystems by illegal immigration could help the Trump administration push back on worries from environmental groups that a border fence or wall would hurt endangered species

**Illegals are 3.5 %  
of the USA  
but they commit ;  
12 % of murders.  
20 % of kidnappings.  
16 % of drug-trafficking.**  
U.S. Dept. of Justice 2015



**In Honor of Mother's Day,  
May 14, 2017**

**A True Angel, by George W.**

**Zellers, Source:**

<http://www.familyfriendpoems.com/poem/a-true-angel>

A mother is special, she's more than a friend.  
Whenever you need her, she'll give you a hand.  
She'll lead you and guide you in all that you do.  
Try all that she can just to see you get through.  
Good times and bad times, she's there for it all.  
Say head up, be proud, and always stand tall.  
She'll love you through quarrels and even big fights,  
Or heart-to-heart chats on cold lonely nights.  
My mother's the greatest that I've ever known,  
I think God made my mother like He'd make his own.  
A praiser, a helper, an encourager too,  
Nothing in this world that she wouldn't do.  
To help us succeed she does all that she can,  
Raised a young boy now into a man.  
I want to say thank you for all that you do,  
Please always know mom, that I love you.

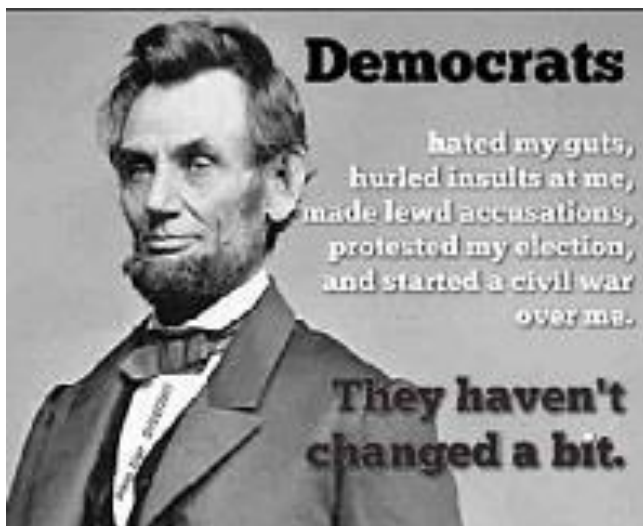
**Democrats are Playing a Dangerous Game, Source, *Democratic Deceit*,  
by Paul R. Hollrah, February 11, 2017**

Liberals and Democrats are playing a dangerous game by continuing to question the legitimacy of Donald Trump's presidency. It could easily renew interest in Barack Obama's presidential eligibility. Enough is known about Obama's lack of eligibility that future researchers might want to dig deeper into his personal history. American people may be shocked to find that for eight years between 2009 and 2017, the United States was governed by a half-Muslim impostor with no legitimate claim to the presidency.

Many historic events remained unresolved and unexplored mysteries for years—often for decades:

1. As World War I raged in Europe, President Woodrow Wilson (D) reassured the American people of U.S. neutrality. The American people did not know that Wilson himself was violating U.S. neutrality by supplying war material to the British by shipping it aboard passenger ships. Wilson assured Americans that trans-Atlantic travel was safe, and 1,198 passengers and crew were aboard the *Lusitania* when it was sunk by a German U-boat on May 7, 1915.
2. Throughout the latter half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, many Americans were suspicious of the claim that the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941 was a "surprise" attack. In 1994 official documents detailing events leading up to the Japanese attack were declassified and made available to the public. Among them was an October 7, 1940 memorandum to two of FDR's most trusted advisors prepared by Navy Lt. Commander Arthur H. McCollum of the Office of Naval Intelligence. The memorandum contained the complete blueprint for the Roosevelt administration's effort to precipitate a Japanese attack against the United States—the "smoking gun" that historians had been seeking for half a century. Although FDR (D) and his administration knew in advance that the Japanese would attack the United States, they greatly underestimated the magnitude and ferocity of the attack. The attack lasted only 90 minutes but 2,403 Americans were killed, 1,178 were wounded, and 18 ships were sunk or run aground.
3. The truth about other events—the Kennedy assassination and the Oklahoma City bombing—have also been held under lock and key for many years.

As President Trump has fought to fill a Supreme Court vacancy and to appoint the strongest cabinet in memory, Democrats are willing to say whatever is necessary to stand in his way. Just as the truth of Democratic deceit in drawing the United States into two World Wars has become known, so too will the true identity of Barack Obama.



### **Mensa**

A few years ago, there was a Mensa Convention in San Francisco. Mensa, as you know, is a national organization for people who have an IQ of 140 or higher.

Several of the Mensa members went out for lunch at a local café. When they sat down, one of them discovered that the salt shaker contained pepper and the pepper shaker was full of salt.

How could they swap the contents of the two bottles without spilling any and using only the implements at hand? Clearly this was a job for Mensa minds.

The group debated the problem, presented ideas, and finally came up with a brilliant solution involving a napkin, a straw, and an empty saucer.

They called the waitress over, ready to dazzle her with their solution.

"Miss," they said, "We couldn't help but notice that the pepper shaker contains salt and the salt shaker," but before they could finish, the waitress interrupted, "Oh! sorry about that." She leaned over the table, unscrewed the caps of both bottles, and switched them.

There was dead silence at the Mensa table.

Kinda reminds you of Congress, doesn't it?

**Putin Goes On LIVE TV And CONFIRMS that Obama And Hillary created ISIS,**

Angry Patriot, <http://www.angrypatriotmovement.com/putin-confirms-obama-created-isis/>, Submitted by Don O'Nesky

What is it going to take for the people of this country to finally admit Hillary and Obama ARE responsible for creating ISIS? Would a world leader telling everyone on live TV be enough... because that's what happened.

Putin claims that the Syrian militants were merely mercenaries Obama hired. He explains that, "they [Obama] arm them [the rebels], and pay them a certain amount... then they discover somewhere else pays a little more. So they go fight there."

The Obama administration, with the help of Hillary Clinton as Secretary of State, sold weapons to the mercenaries in Syria. Due to the fickle nature of mercenaries, they quickly changed sides to fight against us, taking our guns with them.

Putin's accusations have been verified by *WikiLeaks*, who also report that Hillary Clinton lied to Congress under oath when questioned about the arms program between the US and Syria. Clinton has a record of arming 'rebels' as she also urged our government to arm the Libyan 'rebels' shortly before the Benghazi attack.

President Trump has a long road ahead of him to clean up the mess made by Obama, both at home and abroad. But, rest-assured, Trump is going to stop ISIS in their tracks, and resurrect freedom the world over.

To be frank, freedom was preserved when we elected Trump. The world simply could not have survived a Clinton presidency, which would have fostered international terrorism, while arming countless 'rebels'.

Remember, it was Clinton who supported the Muslim Brotherhood in both Egypt and Libya, to disastrous effects. What evils would Clinton have allowed to fester as Commander-in-Chief? I shudder at the thought.

The only thing left for the Democrats to do is to step aside and let President Trump get to work. They need to let the baseless accusations about Russia die, so that our free and fairly elected President can do his job. I, for one, would welcome coordination with Russia while we bomb ISIS to oblivion.

Democrats, it's time to let the grownups work. You had your turn, your policies failed, and the American people soundly rejected you.



Silvio, an 80-year-old Italian goes to the doctor for a checkup. The doctor is amazed at what good shape the guy is in and asks, "how do you stay in such great physical condition?"

"I'm Italian and I am a golfer," says Silvio, "and that's why I'm in such good shape. I'm up well before daylight and out golfing up and down the fairways. I have a glass of vino, and all is well."



"Well," says the doctor, "I'm sure that helps, but there's got to be more to it. How old was your father when he died?"

"Who said he was dead?"

The doctor is amazed. "You mean you're 80 years old and your father's still alive. How old is he?"

"He's 100 years old," says Silvio. "In fact, he golfed with me this morning, and then we went to the topless beach for a walk and had a little vino and that's why he's still alive. He's Italian and he's a golfer, too."

## Do We Live in a Country Run by Idiots?

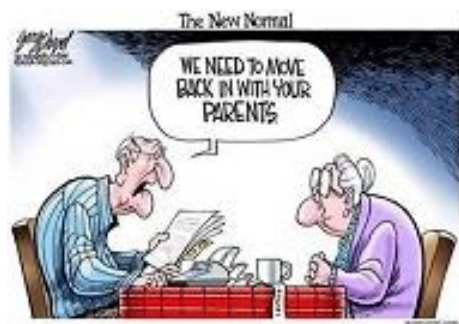
Source: Fritz Edmunds, *Politically True*, February 3, 2013

If all of the following things are true:

- If plastic bottles are okay, but plastic bags are banned,
- If you can get arrested for hunting or fishing without a license, but not for entering and remaining in the country illegally,
- If you have to get your parents' permission to go on a field trip or take an aspirin in school but not to get an abortion,
- If you must show your identification to board an airplane, cash a check, buy liquor, or check out a library book, but not to vote for who runs the government,
- If the government wants to prevent stable, law-abiding citizens from owning gun magazines that hold more than 10 rounds, but gives F-16 fighter jets to the crazy new leader in Egypt,
- If you can buy two 16-oz sodas in the nation's largest city, but not one 24-oz soda because 24 ounces of a sugary drink might make you fat,
- If an 80-year-old woman who is confined to a wheelchair or a three-year-old girl can be strip-searched by the TSA at the airport, but a woman in a burka or a hijab is only subject to having her neck and head searched,
- If your government believes that the best way to eradicate trillions of dollars of debt is to spend trillions more,
- If a seven-year-old boy can be thrown out of school for saying his teacher is "cute," but hosting a sexual exploration or diversity class in grade school is perfectly acceptable,
- If hard work and success are met with higher taxes and more government regulation and intrusion, while not working is rewarded with food stamps, WIC checks, Medicaid benefits, subsidized housing, and free cell phones,
- If you pay your mortgage faithfully, denying yourself the newest big-screen TV, while your neighbor buys iPhones, time shares, a wall-sized plasma screen TV and new cars, and the government forgives his debt when he defaults on his mortgage,
- If being stripped of your Constitutional right to defend yourself makes you more "safe" according to the government,

Then we might be living in a nation founded by geniuses but now run by idiots.

**Think before you vote in all upcoming elections. Most of the idiots running this country say one thing when campaigning and then do the opposite knowing that the people who voted for them do not pay attention!**



"Well," the doctor says, "that's great, but I'm sure there's more to it than that. How about your father's father? How old was he when he died?"

"Who said my Nonno's dead?"

Stunned, the doctor asks, "you mean you're 80 years old and your grandfather's still living! Incredible, how old is he?"

"He's 118 years old," says the old Italian golfer.

The doctor is getting frustrated at this point; "so, I guess he went golfing with you this morning too?"

"No, Nonno couldn't go this morning because he's getting married today."

At this point the doctor is close to losing it. "Getting married? Why would a 118-year-old guy want to get married?"

"Who said he wanted to get married?"





**RCSSC Road Crew**

Win Orben and his road cleanup crew will begin the 15<sup>th</sup> year of our Club's Keep Sarasota County Beautiful road project on Armed Forces Day, May 20. Our thanks to Win and his team members.



RCSSC Adopt-a-Road Sign on Manasota Beach Road

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**RCSSC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM**  
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**It Takes A Special Kind Of Lunatic To Think That Importing Welfare Recipients Who Want To Kill Us Is A Good Idea.**

