

**AUGUST MEMBERSHIP MEETING, Wednesday, August 9, 2017**

Program: Our speaker will be Sheriff Tom Knight, the 10th sheriff of Sarasota County. He has served Sarasota County since January 6, 2009 after a 20-year career in the Florida Highway Patrol.

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

Hello Fellow RCSSC Club Members. We hope you are having a great summer! We miss our members who are still up north. We are in the middle of a heat wave, and the spring breezes have been replaced by seeming endless thunderstorms.

I hear that many are enjoying our monthly Club meetings. We are getting a great turnout, and I want to thank all who take the time to come out to enjoy refreshments, politics, and our informative speakers. We enjoyed our fill-in speaker, Eric Robinson, of the Sarasota County School Board. We also recognized three outstanding Venice High School Republican Club officers and hope to assist them in their efforts to help local students understand conservative principles and values.

Thank you to Terry and Rich Angley who have secured our speakers for this year. If you have any suggestions, please speak with them. Thank you to Chuck Ford for getting our Club signs replaced on time and under budget.

We have the following openings on our Executive Board and Board Volunteers: Publicity and Public Relations Chair, Bylaws Resource, and Sergeant-at-Arms. Rob Sprague is moving to the position of Parliamentarian Resource for us. We thank Rob for stepping up to the Publicity and Public Relations position when we were in need. Sun Fiesta is coming up this fall. Debbie Rossi is asking for volunteers. Please contact her if you are interested in helping.

Our 2018 Nominating Committee will be announced in October. Four Club officer positions are elected by our membership: president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer. If you are interested in serving on the Nominating Committee or serving as a Club officer, let us know.

All members are welcome to attend the monthly Executive Board meetings held on the first Wednesday of each month at 11 a.m. in the Computer Room of the Jacaranda Library. This is the place to get more involved.

Locally, we have one Candidate seeking an office; Emilio Carlesimo is seeking a Venice City Council seat. He is looking for our support and, as a member, attends our meetings regularly.

August Birthdays

Janeen Dalrymple
Dennis Dugan
Elizabeth Graham
Janet Greve
Jay Jackson
Kathleen Keppler
Ellen MacLellan
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President Trump, the Executive Branch, and the president's family continue to be under attack for the Russia scare and the collusion between the mainstream media, the Obama administration hold-over leakers, and the Democratic Party obstruction tactics. Please keep sending your cards and letters to your elected officials. They need to hear from you. These obstructionists intend to nullify your 2016 vote and silence the Silent Majority. You are renowned for being one of the best clubs in the state! Thanks for your confidence and contributions. Tom Van Dyke

JULY 12 MEMBERSHIP MEETING



Special guests at our July meeting were Elaina Cosentino (R), President, and Stephanie Lovetere (L), Vice President, of the VHS Republican Club.



Members and guests at the hospitality table and selecting their tables before the meeting.



Members and guests enjoying lunch before the meeting.

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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; 330 W. Baffin Dr., Venice, FL34293.

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

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

Relax, Trump is Stone Cold Sane, by Dr. Keith Ablow, Feb 15, 2017, Excerpts
Dr. Keith Ablow is a psychiatrist and member of the Fox News Medical A-Team

We've got a genius in the Oval Office. Let me issue the standard disclaimer of psychiatrists who discuss the mental health of public figures: I have not personally examined President Trump. Now, let me put to rest the concerns of Sen. Al Franken and political commentators and anyone else who publicly or privately has questioned the president's sanity: Donald Trump is stone cold sane.

When a man acquires billions of dollars through complex real estate transactions, invests in many countries, goes on to phenomenal success in television and turns his name into a worldwide brand, it is very unlikely that he is mentally unstable. When the same man obviously enjoys the love and respect of his children and his wife, who seem to rely on him for support and guidance, it is *extraordinarily* unlikely that he is mentally unstable.

When the same man walks into the political arena and deftly defeats 16 Republican opponents and then the Democratic heir-apparent to a two-term president's administration, the odds of that man being mentally unstable become vanishingly thin.

And when that very same man attracts to his team the kind of intellect and gravitas represented (to name just a few) by Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Dr. Ben Carson, Attorney General Jeff Sessions, Secretary of State Rex Tillerson, and Secretary of Defense James Mattis, a retired Marine Corps general and commander of the U.S. Central Command, he cannot be mentally deranged. Period. It is a statistical impossibility.

President Trump is the first human being to win this nation's highest office without having held any other political office or serving as a general. Most political pundits thought his quest was pure folly. Most journalists assessed his chances as zero. So who was laboring under quasi-delusional thinking? Answer: Not Donald J. Trump.

Anecdotally, by the way, I have never had one bad Trump experience. Not one. I own several of his ties — all of them of the highest quality. I have stayed in his hotels and never had a single complaint (and I am a born complainer). I have eaten in his New York restaurant — flawless service, excellent food. I own an apartment at Trump Place in Manhattan. Impeccable design, sturdy construction, fabulous amenities. A mentally unstable man would be unlikely to deliver superior products across multiple industries, don't you think?

If you're still worried about the mental stability of the president, note this: The stock market doesn't like instability. Investors, en masse, can take the measure of a man pretty darn well. The stock market has hit record high after record high since Trump's election, and if you think that's an accident, or that investors have all been fooled, start wondering about your own capacity for rational thought.

Now, think about those who are rabble-rousing about the president's mental status. Take Sen. Al Franken. He's all worried about the president allegedly overestimating the crowd size at his inauguration. But Franken is allied with Sen. Elizabeth Warren, who asserted she is Native American, when there is no evidence of that whatsoever. And they're calling Trump's sanity into question? You can't make this stuff up.



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



Formation of a Prayer Group

RCSSC member Patricia Rule would like to announce the startup in October of a prayer group to pray for our country.

Go to www.IFAPRAY.ORG or phone Patricia Rule for details. 941-223-4121. Patricia submitted the following:

PRAY THIS PROMISE DAILY

2 Chronicles 7:14: "If my people, who are called by my name will humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and heal their land."



President Donald Trump Doesn't Cease to Amaze, by Howard Galganov,
July 9, 2017, <http://www.galganov.com/editorials/7-9-2017>. [Excerpt from Howard Galganov's
article: 'PONYFACE Thanks You...and I Thank You']

President Donald Trump doesn't cease to amaze . . . mostly because he doesn't give a rat's ass about what people think or say about him, as long as *AMERICA IS FIRST*, which to me is refreshing, but to a globalist it is the greatest threat to their crazy dream of a one world socialist government.

Most of us remember the political battle cry of "Give 'em Hell Harry," or at least remember hearing or reading about it, referring to Harry Truman, as he campaigned in the 1948 presidential election against the Republicans, when a supporter during a Truman Speech yelled "Give 'em Hell Harry," to which Truman yelled back . . . "I don't give them Hell, I just tell the truth about them and they think it's Hell."

Truman should have been a conservative Republican. In our present-day context, what Harry Truman said 69-years ago amply applies to President Donald J. Trump today, since there is no antibiotic to fight lies and deceit that is better than the serum of truth, which has the left scurrying for cover under socio/political rocks and crevices.

What is one of the many remarkable things about President Trump? President Trump isn't just making his leftist and RINO detractors look like idiots, with nowhere to run, nowhere to hide, and nothing worth saying that a commonsense person should care to listen to, President Trump is making the whole world rethink who they believe in. Or perhaps more importantly what they should believe in.

This is no small achievement, President Donald Trump is unmasking the media, for the liars and connivers many of us knew they were before Trump became President Trump. But now, because of President Trump's relentless and fearless fight against media corruption, people all around the world who have access to social media are discovering for the first time for themselves that the media are the enemy and not the allies to truth and freedom they believed the media to be until now.

The social revolution I've been writing about for years is far greater than I had imagined, not because I or we couldn't see it coming a year or more ago, but because I/we didn't see Donald Trump coming a bit more than a year or so ago.

And even for those of us who did see the election of Donald Trump in November, after he won the Republican primary, none of us could have imagined how President Trump would evolve into the president he's become, and the tenacity of the so-called "Resistance" (of traitors), which has forced President Trump to become the freedom fighter the world has been waiting for, for generations.



A Republican is Sitting in a Bar

A union boss walks into the bar from the factory next door and is about to order a beer when he sees a guy at the far end of the bar wearing a TRUMP "Make America Great Again" cap with two beers sitting in front of him.

The union boss doesn't need to be an Einstein to know that this guy is a Republican, so he shouts over to the bartender so loudly that everyone can hear, "Drinks for everyone in here, bartender.... but not for the Republican."

Soon after the drinks have been passed out, the Republican gives him a big smile, waves at him then says, "Thank you!" in an equally loud voice.

This infuriates the union boss.

After a few minutes, the union boss once again loudly orders drinks for everyone except the Republican. As before, this doesn't seem to bother the Republican. He nods and smiles, and again yells, "Thank you!"

A few more minutes pass and the union boss orders another round of drinks for everyone except the Republican.

Just as before, this STILL doesn't seem to faze the Republican who continues smiling and again yells out, "Thank you!!"

Frustrated that he can't seem to get the guy angered, the union boss asks the bartender, "What is wrong with that Republican? I've ordered three rounds of drinks for everyone in the bar but him, and all the dummy does is smile and thank me. Is he nuts...?"

"Nope," replies the bartender. "He owns the place."

**ADVICE TO DEMOCRATS,
LIBERALS AND ALL LEFTIES:**

**WHEN YOUR HORSE DIES, IT'S
TIME TO DISMOUNT.**



A Young Arab Boy Asks His Father, Submitted by Chuck Ford

A young Arab boy asks his father, "What is that weird hat you are wearing?"

The father said, "Why, it's a 'chechia' because in the desert it protects our heads from the intense heat of the sun."

"And what is this type of clothing that you are wearing?" asked the young man.

"It's a 'djbellah' because in the desert it is very hot and it protects the body," said the father.

The son asked, "And what about those ugly shoes on your feet?"

His father replied, "These are 'babouches' which keep us from burning our feet from hot sand in the desert."

"So tell me then," added the boy.

"Yes, my son?"

"Why are you living in Dearborn, Michigan and still wearing all this shit?"

ALERT: Trump's FBI Appointee Just Gave the DNC Horrific News. They're Going Down, *Angry Patriot*, July 14, 2017, <http://www.angrypatriotmovement.com/trumps-fbi-appointee-dnc/>

It's safe to say that whatever Americans want, the DNC wants the opposite. Thankfully, Trump's FBI Director appointee is more aligned with what we want.

When asked by Senator Graham (R-SC), if he was willing to look into allegations of Ukraine and the DNC attempting to impede President Trump's election campaign, Christopher Wray said he would be "happy to dig into it." (via *The Washington Examiner*).

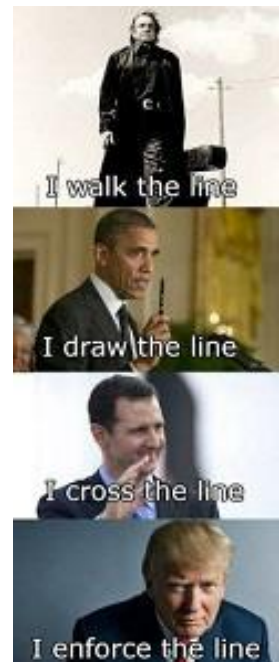
This was during Wray's confirmation hearing held before the Senate. During his questioning, Senator Graham read from a news story *Politico* ran about the potential impediment. The Left-leaning publication ran the story back in January. They alleged that the DNC made a connection with the Ukrainian government through Alexandra Chalupa.

For her part, Chalupa has admitted that she "occasionally" shared her information with the Clinton campaign, along with DNC officials (via CNN). Of course, the DNC has denied that it committed any illegal act. Chalupa was a DNC operative, who was responsible for some outreach in the Ukrainian community. Sources argue that Chalupa told the DNC that the Ukrainian government was willing to share intelligence about Trump, then the two began coordinating further research on then-candidate Trump.

DNC research director, Lauren Dillon, says she has had zero contact with foreign governments, and that the allegations are untrue. Did you notice her slippery way of stating that? Obviously, no one at the DNC had to have direct contact with Ukraine for these allegations to be accurate. She may not have been involved at all.

Chalupa, and possibly other operatives, were capable of delivering any message from Ukraine themselves. I doubt such distance will be enough to mask the DNC's activity for Christopher Wray. He's been the assistant attorney general for the Justice Department's Criminal Division (via *Business Insider*). Such criminal experience is likely one reason President Trump chose to nominate Wray. There are a lot of criminals that need to be tracked down in the Washington swamp.

The DNC officials can deny that they've done anything wrong, but they aren't used to having an FBI and a Justice Department that look into their behavior. They knew that Director Comey (and Loretta Lynch of course) would cover for them, and it sounds like that made them sloppy. Once Christopher Wray is confirmed as the FBI Director, it is only a matter of time before he gets enough evidence together to bring the whole DNC down.



President Trump: Keep Using Twitter, You are Winning,
by J. Marsolo, *American Thinker*, July 1, 2017

The daily news as reported by the mainstream media, as part of the Opposition Party consisting of the Democratic Party, MSM, Never-Trumps, and the Obama bureaucrats imbedded in the federal government, is an obsession with President Trump's use of Twitter and other social media. The MSM for the most part ignore the real issues, such as nuclear proliferation by North Korea and Iran, which Obama either ignored or contributed to by giving Iran 150 billion dollars. Instead, the MSM report on the hurt feelings of Wolf Blitzer and Joe and his sidekick Mika.

Simply put, the MSM are not used to having a Republican president telling the leftist MSM to shove it. Aside from Newt Gingrich calling out the debate questioners during the 2012 campaign and George H.W. Bush calling out Dan Rather in 1988, the Republicans usually act like a punching bag. The best example is George W. Bush, who failed to respond to the brutal attacks by the likes of Harry Reid and the MSM. Currently, Mitch McConnell and Paul Ryan make George W. Bush look like President Trump.

President Trump knows how to communicate directly with his supporters by using Twitter and having campaign-style rallies. His supporters like this because they see President Trump fight the MSM.

The MSM keep "advising" President Trump that he stop the Twitter messages and the replies to the MSM because, in their opinion, it is not "presidential." The plain truth, though, is that the MSM are afraid that President Trump is making them irrelevant, because Trump can communicate directly with his supporters, and because Trump fights back. The MSM no longer own the playing field.

The Opposition Party is desperate. It has no real congressional leaders. The Dems are turning on Pelosi, and Schumer is a lightweight, as stated by President Trump, who knows Schumer from New York City. The Opposition Party is now led by angry "comics" like Kathy Griffin, Colbert, and the "journalists" at CNN and MSNBC, and the Times and Post.

Trump, and America, is winning. He appointed Gorsuch to the Supreme Court, won the travel ban in the Supreme Court, reduced illegal immigration, rescinded the Paris Climate Change agreement, allowed the pipeline, and issued executive orders to undo the harm done by Obama.

The "Russia" story is a joke. There is no evidence that Trump colluded with the Russians or that the Russians affected the vote. Obama knew of Russian attempts to influence but did nothing. Loretta Lynch is being investigated. Bernie Sanders is being investigated. Hillary should be investigated. Comey all but admitted that Lynch told him to let Hillary walk.

On the tax cut and repealing Obamacare, President Trump has to rely on McConnell and Ryan to round up the votes. It may be best to simply repeal Obamacare and let the free market offer health plans, with Medicaid handling the poor.

Simply put, Mr. President: Ignore the advice from the MSM, the cheerleaders of the Democratic Party. They are out to destroy you. Keep fighting, and keep using Twitter to respond to the vicious attacks and smears.

"We must always remember that we share one home and one glorious destiny, whether we are brown, black or white. We all bleed the same red blood of patriots. We all salute the same great American flag. And we are all made by the same almighty God."

"And as long as America remains true to its values, loyal to its citizens and devoted to its Creator, then our best days are yet to come." President Donald J. Trump in his speech to Liberty University graduates, May 13, 2017.



Deathbed Wishes

Mr. Smith is on his deathbed and knows the end is near. His nurse, his wife, his daughter and two sons are with him.

He asks for two witnesses to be present and a camcorder to be in place to record his last wishes, and when all is ready he begins to speak:

"My son Bernie, I want you to take the Mayfair houses. My daughter Sybil, you take the apartments over in the east end. My son Jamie, I want you to take the offices over in the City Centre.

"Sarah, my dear wife, please take all the residential buildings on the banks of the river."

The nurse and witnesses are blown away as they did not realize that he had such extensive holdings. As he slips away, the nurse says, "Mrs. Smith, your husband must have been such a hard-working man to have accumulated all this property."

The wife replies, "The jackass had a paper route."



Safe at Last, submitted by
Barbara Vaughn



I took down my Rebel flag (which you can't buy on EBAY any more) and peeled the NRA sticker off my front window. I disconnected my home alarm system and quit the Neighborhood Watch. I bought two Pakistani flags and put one at each corner of the front yard. Then I purchased the black flag of ISIS (which you CAN buy on EBAY) and ran it up the flag pole.

Now the local police, sheriff, FBI, CIA, NSA, Homeland Security, Secret Service and other agencies are all watching my house 24/7. I've never felt safer and I'm saving \$69.95 a month that ADT security used to charge me.

Plus, I bought burkas for me to wear when I shop or travel. Everyone moves out of the way, and security can't pat me down. If they say I'm a male wearing a burka, I just say I'm feeling like a woman today.

Safe at last!



It is Only Wrong if Your Name is Trump, by Anonymous on the Internet

Remember when Donald Trump was business partners with the Russian government and his company got 53 million from the Russian government investment fund called Rusnano that was started by Vladimir Putin and is referred to as "Putin's Child"? **Oh wait, that wasn't Trump-- it was John Podesta.***

Remember when Donald Trump received 500 thousand for a speech in Moscow and paid for by Renaissance Capital, a company tied to Russian Intelligence Agencies? **Oh wait, that was Bill Clinton.**

Remember when Donald Trump approved the sale of 20% of US uranium to the Russians while he was Secretary of State which gave control of it to Rosatom the Russian State Atomic Energy Corporation? **Oh wait, that was Hillary Clinton.**

Remember when Donald Trump lied about that and said he wasn't a part of approving the deal that gave the Russians 1/5 of our uranium, but then his emails were leaked showing he did lie about it? **Oh wait, that was Hillary Clinton and John Podesta.**

Remember when Donald Trump got 145 million dollars from shareholders of the uranium company sold to the Russians? **Oh wait, that was Hillary Clinton and the Clinton Foundation.**

Remember when Donald Trump accepted millions in donations from Russian Oligarchs like the chairman of a company that's part of the Russian Nuclear Research Cluster, the wife of the mayor of Moscow, and a close pal of Putin's? **Oh wait, that was the Clinton Foundation.**

Remember when Donald Trump failed to disclose all those donations before becoming the Secretary of State, and it was only found out when a journalist went through Canadian tax records? **Oh wait, that was Hillary Clinton.**

Remember when Donald Trump told Mitt Romney that the 80's called and it wanted its Russian policy back. The Cold War is over? **Oh wait, that was President Obama.**

Man... Trump's ties to Russia are totally disgusting.



"THE TROUBLE WITH OUR LIBERAL FRIENDS IS NOT THAT THEY'RE IGNORANT. IT'S JUST THAT THEY KNOW SO MUCH THAT ISN'T SO."
— RONALD REAGAN



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