



“LET US NOT SEEK THE REPUBLICAN ANSWER OR THE DEMOCRATIC ANSWER. LET US NOT SEEK TO FIX THE BLAME FOR THE PAST. LET US ACCEPT OUR OWN RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FUTURE.”

President John F. Kennedy

SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING, Wednesday, September 13, 2017.

Program: Our speaker will be David Verinder, President and CEO of Sarasota Health Care System. He joined Sarasota Memorial in 2006 and has served as chief financial officer and chief operating officer. During his tenure, Sarasota Memorial has earned national recognition for its quality and positive patient outcomes.

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

Dear members and friends, as I write this on the day after the Solar Eclipse, may I say how nice it was for everyone in our entire nation to be united for a total of 2 minutes. Yes, it took a Celestial Event to get all of our minds off of the subjects of division and angst. How peaceful and precious those minutes were. Here is hoping we can have more of that in the future.

Much has happened since our last meeting when fellow Republican Sheriff Tom Knight spoke to us about the state of crime in our area and the good work of our law enforcement officers and staff. One of the most tragic human conditions is that of addiction. Sheriff Knight's strong position on that issue and his innovation of turning seizures from bad into good (i.e., donating computers from criminals' confiscated property to help children in our local Boys & Girls Clubs) are helping our community. Real Republican leadership.

The County's Republican Executive Committee (REC) held a Membership Appreciation Picnic, and many of our members attended. The REC continues to seek new members; you may contact our Vice-President Anthony Sawyer to learn more. Several REC officers, including Tony, are members of our Club. Members of the REC have the opportunity to help voters within their precincts at election time.

We are seeking a Publicity and Public Affairs Chair, a Sergeant-at-Arms Resource Person, and a Bylaws Resource Person for our Club meetings. Please consider volunteering. In October you will be asked to help decide the Club's Nominating Committee for its 2018 officers. It is that time again. Check your email inbox to see our Member Survey to print and bring to our next Club meeting. We are providing it once again to get more feedback from You.

Sign-ups for our Activities Projects are Needed: Venice Chamber of Commerce Expo Booth, Oct 6-7; Sun Fiesta Booth, Oct. 20-22; and Sun Fiesta Parade, Oct 21. Please volunteer to help South County hear more about Our Club

September Birthdays

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News Commentators seem to have all but written off our president. The mission of the collusionists (main stream media) and obstructionists (Chuck Schumer, et al.) is nearly complete. Some say President Trump will be impeached now that 48 Democrat and 12 Republican senators are possible votes. Some say Trump will, because of increasing isolation by the West Wing staff, Republican establishment, and low national polling numbers, look for some way to declare “victory” and then resign and allow Vice President Pence to continue. Others say that Special Counsel, Mueller’s fishing expedition will surely net Russian wrongdoing. Sounds to me like they do not know the Real Donald Trump or those of us who voted for him in 2016. When has he ever quit anything? When did the pollsters contact us? When did he never vigorously defend himself or counterpunched? They say it is lonely at the top. So, if you supported President Trump to go to Washington, D.C. to “Drain the Swamp,” he needs to hear from you. One way to show your support is to grab some of our Trump 2020 bumper stickers at the next member meeting and spread the word. Another way is to send postcards and letters to the White House and to your elected officials, both state and federal. What are your ideas?

Happy Labor Day to All, including those who work or have worked for a living, or have created jobs! Tom

AUGUST 9 MEMBERSHIP MEETING



President Van Dyke introduces guest speaker Sheriff Tom Knight



Sheriff Knight speaks to the audience about the drug problem in Sarasota County

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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:
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 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

President Trump's Accomplishments, by Gladys Green, Source: The First Six Months: What Has Trump Accomplished? by Richard Larsen, August 2, 2017

The mainstream media (MSM) would have you believe that President Trump has spent his first six months doing nothing but tweeting and denying allegations of Russian "collusion." Actually, immediately after taking office, President Trump began working tirelessly to fulfill his promise to Make America Great Again with accomplishments that are too numerous to fully cover—none of which are being reported. Listed below are only a few of his six-month accomplishments.

A week after his inauguration, President Trump issued a series of executive orders (EOs) calling for Homeland Security and immigration officials to enforce existing immigration laws that would end Obama's "catch and release" program and to immediately deport illegals who commit crimes. Trump's policies are making a significant difference—officials on both sides of the border say that far fewer migrants are heading north. And immigrants already here are telling family and friends seeking to come here not to try it illegally. The result is more security on our borders, less illegal drag on our domestic resources, and greater safety across the land.

He appointed Neil Gorsuch to replace Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia. Gorsuch interprets the Constitution by what it says rather than what one wishes it says, and his influence on the Supreme Court could last for decades.

President Trump eased our regulatory burden with a series of EOs declaring that any agency that wants to implement one new regulation must eliminate two, for due consideration.

Unconstitutional "czars" have been eliminated in the executive branch. Obama had over 30 such extreme ideologues in his administration. Now there are none. There are 110 fewer employees on the White House staff than on Obama's. First Lady Melania Trump has only five staffers, while Michelle Obama had 24 staffers. Projected savings in this White House total more than \$22 million.

The president withdrew the U.S. from the Paris Climate Agreement, a punitive measure for America and a redistributive mechanism for the benefit of third-world nations. He withdrew the U.S. from the Trans-Pacific Partnership, which protected many Asian interests but was inhospitable to U.S. commercial interests.

Last month the president signed into law the VA Accountability Act, which holds VA employees accountable and protects whistleblowers within the Veterans Administration. Just since the signing, 548 VA employees have been terminated, another 200 suspended and 33 demoted, according to VA reports. This clearly signals a change in commitment to protect and serve the nation's veterans.

The nation is another step closer to true energy independence as the long-stalled Keystone and Dakota pipelines have been approved. Not only is the move positive for job creation, the impact on our energy independence and cost of energy is inestimable.

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



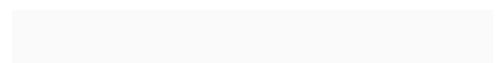
Formation of a Prayer Group

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."



Because of the president's belief in America First in business and economic growth, companies such as Apple, Ford, Foxconn, Egger, Hyundai, Honda, Mercedes Benz and MollerTech, are pursuing domestic expansion. This represents billions of dollars in investment and tens of thousands of new jobs.

President Trump has issued over 110 EOs and presidential memorandums addressing a host of issues: a lifetime ban on White House officials lobbying for foreign governments; reviewing the Antiquities Act granting the federal government control over state lands; encouraging industry to buy and hire American; reviewing our trade deficits and strengthening anti-dumping rules; rolling back EPA control of farmlands and private property; reducing federal meddling in the nation's education system; reducing regulation in the agricultural industry; strengthening the military; improving security and background checks for foreign nationals seeking visas; and stripping federal grant money from sanctuary cities, to name but a few.

President Trump is distracting the MSM with fake news and controversial tweets while implementing his pro-growth, economic, and national security agendas—and it appears to be an effective strategy.



Lady Liberty and Immigration, by Bob Pascarella, iPatriot, Aug 11, 2017
<http://ipatriot.com/lady-liberty-immigration/>

"In the latter nineteenth and early twentieth century's, immigrants from mainly Europe journeyed across the sea to America, to become new citizens in the land of hopes and dreams. Upon entering New York harbor one of the first images to come into view was that of the Statue of Liberty; she stood like a welcoming symbol of their new land. Most passed though Ellis Island and were subjected to rigorous medical testing, and were questioned as to whether they had employment waiting or relatives willing to give them a place to live.

"Keep in mind, the population back then, according to the census, was approximately in 63 million in 1890 and 76 million in 1900. Today in 2017 we have reached the 325,000,000 mark and the borders in my estimation are bulging at the seams. **Perhaps what we should consider doing is removing the torch and replace it with a big stop sign.**"

The Republican Club of Venice High School

The Republican Club of Venice High School is a political club organized and directed by the students of Venice High School. The club welcomes all students interested in learning about the Republican Party and the political process. The club is one of the largest and most active on campus

We meet every other Thursday after school in Room 4-332. The meetings are social as well as informative and we often have speakers from the community. Some of the recent speakers include State Senator Nancy Detert, Sheriff Tom Knight, and State Representative Doug Holder. Members of the club have the opportunity to attend political events, debates, Republican Party functions and dinners, and political rallies.

<https://www.facebook.com/therepublicanclub>
b -- Tom Marshall



He Fights, by Evan Sayet, *Townhall*, July 14, 2017, Excerpts

My Leftist friends (as well as many ardent #NeverTrumpers) constantly ask me if I'm not bothered by Donald Trump's lack of decorum. They ask if I don't think his tweets are "beneath the dignity of the office." Here's my answer: We Right-thinking people have tried dignity. There could not have been a man of more quiet dignity than George W. Bush as he suffered the outrageous lies and politically motivated hatreds that undermined his presidency. We tried statesmanship. Could there be another human being on this earth who so desperately prized "collegiality" as John McCain? We tried propriety – has there been a nicer human being ever than Mitt Romney? And the results were always the same.

This is because, while we were playing by the rules of dignity, collegiality and propriety, the Left has been, for the past 60 years, engaged in a knife fight where the only rules are those of Saul Alinsky and the Chicago mob.

I don't find anything "dignified," "collegial" or "proper" about Barack Obama's lying about what went down on the streets of Ferguson in order to ramp up racial hatreds because racial hatreds serve the Democratic Party. I don't see anything "dignified" in lying about the deaths of four Americans in Benghazi and imprisoning an innocent filmmaker to cover your tracks. I don't see anything "statesman-like" in weaponizing the IRS to be used to destroy your political opponents and any dissent.

The Left has been engaged in a war against America since the rise of the Children of the '60s. To them, it has been an all-out war where nothing is held sacred and nothing is seen as beyond the pale. It has been a war they've fought with violence, the threat of violence, demagoguery and lies from day one – the violent take-over of the universities – till today.

The problem is that, through these years, the Left has been the only side fighting this war. While the Left has been taking a knife to anyone who stands in their way, the Right has continued to act with dignity, collegiality and propriety.

With Donald Trump, this all has come to an end. Donald Trump is America's first wartime president in the Culture War.

During wartime, things like "dignity" and "collegiality" simply aren't the most essential qualities one looks for in their warriors. Ulysses Grant was a drunk whose behavior in peacetime might well have seen him drummed out of the Army for conduct unbecoming. Had Abraham Lincoln applied the peacetime rules of propriety and booted Grant, the Democrats might well still be holding their slaves. Lincoln rightly recognized that, "I cannot spare this man. He fights."

General George Patton was a vulgar-talking, son-of-a-bitch. In peacetime, this might have seen him stripped of rank. But, had Franklin Roosevelt applied the normal rules of decorum, then Hitler and the Socialists would barely be five decades into their thousand-year Reich.

Trump is fighting. And what's particularly delicious is that, like Patton standing over the battlefield as his tanks obliterated Rommel's, he's shouting, "You magnificent bastards, I read your book!" That is just the icing on the cake, but it's wonderful to see that not only is Trump fighting, he's defeating the Left using their own tactics.

That book is Saul Alinsky's *Rules for Radicals* – a book so essential to the Liberals' war against America that it is and was the playbook for the entire Obama administration and the subject of Hillary Clinton's senior thesis. It is a book of such pure evil that Alinsky dedicated his book to Lucifer.



Never Forget – September 11, 2001



Hillary's Phone Call to the President

Hillary phoned the president's office shortly after midnight. "I need to talk to the President, it's an emergency!" exclaimed Hillary.

After some cajoling, the President's assistant agreed to wake him up.

"So, what is it that's so important that it can't wait until morning?" grumbled Trump.

"A Supreme Court Judge just died, and I want to take his place," begged Hillary.

"Well, it's okay with me if it's okay with the mortuary," replied President Trump



Trump's tweets may seem rash and unconsidered but, in reality, he is doing exactly what Alinsky suggested his followers do. Instead of going after "the fake media," Trump isolated CNN. He made it personal. Then, just as Alinsky suggests, he employs ridicule which Alinsky described as "the most powerful weapon of all."

So, do I wish we lived in a time when our president could be "collegial" and "dignified" and "proper"? Of course I do. These aren't those times. This is war. And it's a war that the Left has been fighting without opposition for the past 50 years. So, say anything you want about this president – I get it, he can be vulgar, he can be crude, he can be undignified at times. I don't care. I can't spare this man. He fights.



Trumps Spend \$5 Million Less than Obamas on White House Salaries, by Thomas Phippen, *The Daily Caller*, July 2, 2017

Trump's administration is spending \$5 million less of taxpayer money on his staff than his predecessor.

Trump employs 377 people at the White House, with a total of \$35.8 million, while former President Barack Obama paid \$40.9 million for 476 employees in 2015, according to data analyzed by *Open the Books*

Another key difference between the Obama and Trump White House is the first lady's staff. Michelle Obama retained 24 staffers in the first year of the Obama White House. Melania Trump currently employs four — a chief of staff who is also listed as advisor to the president, a deputy chief of staff, a communications director, and a scheduler. "Projected four-year savings on the White House payroll could top \$22 million," Adam Andrzejewski, CEO of *Open The Books*, writes for *Forbes*. Those projected savings include Trump's promise to accept one dollar in salary and give the remainder back to the U.S. Treasury.

Trump's daughter Ivanka Trump and her husband Jared Kushner, both advisors to the president, are not accepting any salary. Most top White House staff, including Steve Bannon, Kellyanne Conway, Omarosa Manigault, Reince Priebus, Sean Spicer, and 17 others make \$179,000 annually.

Obama had the same number of top advisors at this stage of his presidency in 2009, but he also appointed many "czars" to oversee special initiatives with a particular focus on recovery efforts after the 2008 financial crisis. Trump has not continued that.

Did I Read that Sign Right? Submitted by Jean West-Walker

TOILET OUT OF ORDER. PLEASE USE FLOOR BELOW.

In a Laundromat:
AUTOMATIC WASHING MACHINES:
PLEASE REMOVE ALL YOUR CLOTHES
WHEN THE LIGHT GOES OUT.

In a London department store:
BARGAIN BASEMENT ON 2ND FLOOR...

In an office:
WOULD THE PERSON WHO TOOK THE
STEP LADDER YESTERDAY PLEASE
BRING IT BACK OR FURTHER STEPS
WILL BE TAKEN.

In an office:
AFTER TEA BREAK, STAFF SHOULD
EMPTY THE TEAPOT AND STAND
UPSIDE DOWN ON THE DRAINING
BOARD.

Outside a second-hand shop:
WE EXCHANGE ANYTHING - BICYCLES,
WASHING MACHINES, ETC. WHY NOT
BRING YOUR WIFE ALONG AND GET A
WONDERFUL BARGAIN?

Notice in health food shop window:
CLOSED DUE TO ILLNESS...

Spotted in a safari park: (I sure hope so.)
ELEPHANTS- PLEASE STAY IN YOUR
CAR.

Seen during a conference:
FOR ANYONE WHO HAS CHILDREN AND
DOESN'T KNOW IT, THERE IS A DAY
CARE ON THE 1ST FLOOR.

Notice in a farmer's field:
THE FARMER ALLOWS WALKERS TO
CROSS THE FIELD FOR FREE, BUT THE
BULL CHARGES.

Message on a leaflet:
IF YOU CANNOT READ, THIS LEAFLET
WILL TELL YOU HOW TO GET LESSONS.

On a repair shop door:
WE CAN REPAIR ANYTHING. (PLEASE
KNOCK HARD ON THE DOOR - AS THE
BELL DOESN'T WORK.)

Erasing Democrat Party's Fingerprints on History, by Douglas V. Gibbs — Bio and Archives, August 18, 2017, Excerpts

The liberal left's desire to tear down any and all memories of the Confederate States of America is reaching a crescendo. Statues are being torn down. State flags are being redesigned and burned. According to the Democrats, and their Black Lives Matter brethren, all vestiges of the dark time when the Southern States practiced slavery must be stricken from the record.

The goal is complete erasure of the sins of the Democrat Party, and the true history of liberty and equality of the Republican Party. It is the progressive left's goal to eventually have the mobs convinced that it wasn't even the Republican Party that was the political party which was created to abolish slavery, in the first place.

Google has already begun the effort. If you Google "What political party did Abraham Lincoln belong to," the answer you will get from Google is "National Union Party" not the Republican Party (Abraham Lincoln was the first GOP president).

The mob reminds me of the Nazis and communists, acting under the cover of darkness seeking to do what they can to erase anything that does not make their ideology look great. They seek to take down any statues or monuments depicting individuals who were connected to the Confederacy. It's like the Muslims wanting to take down the Great Pyramids, and other historical sites, because it's not Islamic. Except, there is a difference. The Democrats don't want to take down all remnants of the Confederacy because it's not in line with the belief system of their party; they want to take down all remnants of the Confederacy because every last piece of it is a reminder of who the Democrats truly are. They are the party of slavery. They are the party of the KKK. They are the party of Jim Crow Laws. They are the party of bondage and authoritarianism. They want their history erased so that they can remake it in a new false image. A false image they've been trying to push since the sixties, but one that only the ill-informed has fallen for.



A Man and His Dog

A man wrote a letter to a small hotel in a town he planned to visit on his holiday. He wrote:

"I would very much like to bring my dog with me. He is well-groomed and very well behaved. Would you be willing to permit me to keep him in my room with me at night?"

An immediate reply came from the hotel owner, who wrote:

"Sir, I've been operating this hotel for many years. In all that time, I've never had a dog steal towels, bedclothes, silverware or pictures off the walls.

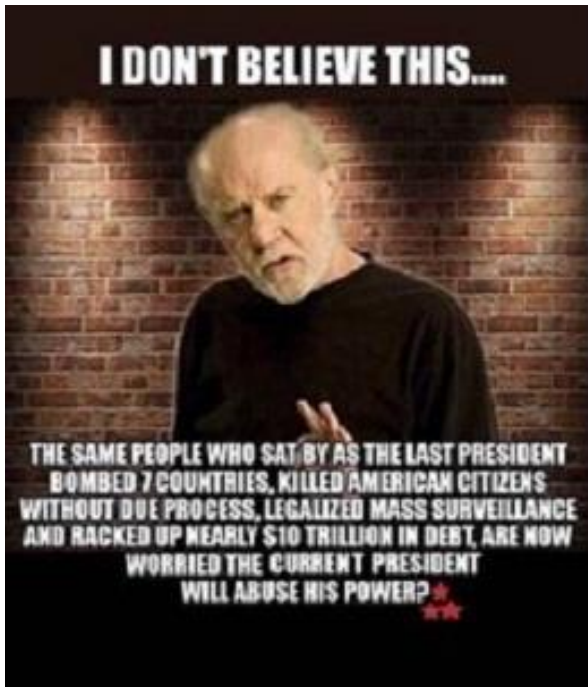
"I've never had to evict a dog in the middle of the night for being drunk and disorderly. And I've never had a dog run out on a hotel bill. Yes, indeed, your dog is welcome at my hotel.

"And, if your dog will vouch for you, you're welcome to stay here too."



My Uncle Tony was a staunch Conservative, and voted straight Republican until the day he died in Chicago.

Since then he has been voting Democrat.



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**The Democrat Symbol,
submitted by Dale DeYoung**

The King wanted to go fishing, so he asked the royal meteorologist what the forecast would be for the next few hours. The meteorologist assured him that there was no chance of rain.

So the King and Queen started out to go fishing. On the way they met a man with a fishing pole riding on a donkey; the King asked the man if the fish were biting.

The fisherman said, "Your Majesty, you should return to the palace! In just a short time I expect a huge rain storm."

The King replied: "I hold the palace meteorologist in high regard. He is an educated and experienced professional. Besides, I pay him very high wages. He gave me a very different forecast. I trust him."

So the King continued on his way. However, in a short time a torrential rain fell from the sky. The King and Queen were soaked..

Furious, the King returned to the palace and gave the order to fire the palace meteorologist. Then he summoned the fisherman and offered him the prestigious position of royal forecaster.

The fisherman said, "Your Majesty, I do not know anything about forecasting. I obtain my information from my donkey. If I see my donkey's ears drooping, it means with certainty that it will rain."

So the King hired the donkey.

And thus began the practice of hiring dumb asses to work in influential positions of government. The practice is unbroken to this date.

Thus, the democrat party symbol was born!

