



**OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING, Wednesday, October 11, 2017.**  
**Program:** Our speaker will be Emilio Carlesimo, candidate for Venice City Council, Seat 1. He is a two-term former Venice City Councilman, Vice Mayor, and active community volunteer.

**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 fellow Republicans, Fall is finally coming, and I hope you are safe and have survived both "storms"—Hurricane Irma and the media storm against President Donald J. Trump.

Our September meeting was cancelled because it fell three days after the hurricane and your Board wanted you to have that time to recover. We hope you found good shelter, that you (including our Snowbirds) suffered little damage and inconvenience and all are now somewhat back to normal. Wasn't it great how well President Trump and the First Lady responded to both hurricane disasters and Governor Rick Scott and Attorney General Pam Bondi to Florida's State of Emergency? Your Executive Board has voted to support the good work of the Salvation Army's disaster relief efforts with a donation of \$200 to be presented this month.

On October 6 & 7, the RCSCC will have a booth at the Venice Chamber of Commerce Consumer Expo at the Venice Community Center. Please come visit us or volunteer to help man our booth.

On October 20-22 we will have a booth at the Sun Fiesta. Please volunteer. Debbie Rossi is in charge of the booth and is also assisting us in organizing the Sun Fiesta Parade on Saturday Morning, October 21. We need help in decorating the float and people to walk in the parade to show our pride in our Club.

Important: At our October 11 meeting, our membership needs to select our 2018 Nominating Committee. We are asking for at least three volunteers to identify and interview candidates and/or draft future willing leaders. Planning has started for our December Christmas Party.

We are still 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 for the final three months.

Our Member Survey of Satisfaction will be in your email inbox soon for you to print and bring to our October Club meeting. We are providing it once again to get more feedback from You

**October Birthdays**

Raymond Bruckman  
 Barbara Burkett  
 John Dobbins  
 John Finnigan  
 Pete Green  
 Michael Gutzler  
 Darryl Henry  
 Brenda Katzenstein  
 Robert Letizi  
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 Nancy Ploughe  
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**Standing Committee Chairpersons**

Programs and Projects Chair: Rich Angley  
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Publicity and Public Relations Chair: Vacant

Refreshments (Hospitality) Chair: See Gladys Green

Sunshine Chair: Mary O'Nesky  
[ElephantPride@aol.com](mailto:ElephantPride@aol.com)

Our continued thanks to Debbi Rossi and Peachie DeYoung for donating drinks, lemonade, and ice for our meetings. Thanks to Chuck Ford for replacing our shopworn Club sign and creating a brochure for locations to display. Thank you to Peachie and Dale DeYoung for completing our annual bank audit, and Peachie, Dale and Chuck for getting us a storage unit for our booth furnishings and signs.

As we enter a new season, we find our duly-elected president receiving a five-point boost in the ratings to 43%. He has been busy trying to get his campaign promises accomplished, without the help of many congressmen from our own Party and in spite of the anti-efforts of the mainstream media and the Special Prosecutor's expanded (witch hunt/fishing expedition?) Grand Jury: leadership during the two national disasters, a deal with the Democrats on the budget and maybe the Dream Act, standing up to North Korea and Iran and Islamic Terrorists, speech at the UN, plans for tax reform and one last shot at Obamacare. He needs your support. Please send cards and letters of encouragement.

Let's Clean the Swamp! Tom

## PRESIDENT AND FIRST LADY VISIT FLORIDA TO VIEW DAMAGE FROM HURRICANE IRMA



President Trump and First Lady Melania Trump Arrive in Ft Myers



President, Vice President, and First Lady Distributing Supplies and Serving Food



Attending State Dinner the Same Evening for the White House Historical Association

### Club Specialty Roles

Webmaster Role:  
Chuck Ford  
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Vacant

Bylaws Role: Vacant

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### Past Presidents:

Immediate Past President: Barbara Vaughn (2015-2016)

John Harrison (2013-2014)  
Peachie DeYoung (2011-2012)  
Ron Filipkowski (2009-2010)  
Jack Malone (2007-2008)  
Barbara Hines (2006)  
Don O'Nesky (2004-2005)  
Richard Brady (2003)  
Francis Kendrick (2001-2002)  
Russell Strange (1999-2000)  
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, 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

**The Civil War is Here, The left doesn't want to secede. It wants to rule,  
Daniel Greenfield, *Front Page Magazine*, Excerpts, March 27, 2017**

A civil war has begun. This civil war is very different than the last one. There are no cannons or cavalry charges. The left doesn't want to secede. It wants to rule. Political conflicts become civil wars when one side refuses to accept the existing authority. The left has rejected all forms of authority that it doesn't control. The left has rejected the outcome of the last two presidential elections won by Republicans. It has rejected the judicial authority of the Supreme Court when its decisions don't accord with its agenda. It rejects the legislative authority of Congress when it is not dominated by the left. It rejected the Constitution so long ago that it hardly bears mentioning.

It was for total unilateral executive authority under Obama. And now it's for states unilaterally deciding what laws they will follow. It was for the sacrosanct authority of the Senate when it held the majority. Then it decried the Senate as an outmoded institution when the Republicans took it over. It was for Obama defying the orders of Federal judges, no matter how well grounded in existing law, and it is for Federal judges overriding any order by Trump on any grounds whatsoever. It was for Obama penalizing whistleblowers, but now undermining the government from within has become "patriotic."

The left accepts no form of legal authority as a permanent institution. It only utilizes forms of authority selectively when it controls them. But when government officials refuse the orders of the duly elected government because their allegiance is to an ideology whose agenda is in conflict with the president and Congress, that's not protest, politics or civil disobedience; it's treason.

Democrats have become radicalized by the left. This doesn't just mean that they pursue all sorts of bad policies. It means that their first and foremost allegiance is to an ideology, not the Constitution, not our country or our system of government. All of those are only to be used as vehicles for their ideology. That's why compromise has become impossible.

The left has retreated to cultural urban and suburban enclaves where it has centralized tremendous amounts of power while disregarding the interests and values of most of the country. It is convinced that they will be replaced by compliant immigrants and college indoctrinated leftists who will form a permanent demographic majority for its agenda. But it couldn't wait that long because it is animated by the conviction that enforcing its ideas is urgent and inevitable. And so it turned what had been a hidden transition into an open break.

It has responded to a lost election by constructing sanctuary cities and states thereby turning a cultural and ideological secession into a legal secession. Officials at various levels of government have rejected the authority of the President of the United States, of Congress and of the Constitution because those are at odds with their radical ideology. Judges have cloaked this rejection in law. Mayors and governors are not even pretending that their actions are lawful.

The choices of this civil war are painfully clear. We can have a system of government based around the Constitution with democratically elected representatives. Or we can have one based on the ideological principles of the left in which all laws and processes, including elections and the Constitution, are fig leaves for enforcing social justice. But we cannot have both.

### 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)



### 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](http://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."

The question is what comes next.

There is no sign that the left understands or is troubled by the implications of the conflict it has initiated. And there are few signs that Democrats properly understand the dangerous road that the radical left is drawing them toward. The left assumes that the winners of a democratic election will back down rather than stand on their authority. It is unprepared for the possibility that democracy won't die in darkness.

The left is a treasonous movement. The Democrats became a treasonous organization when they fell under the sway of a movement that rejects our system of government, its laws and its elections. Now their treason is coming to a head. They are engaged in a struggle for power against the government. That's not protest. It's not activism. The old treason of the sixties has come of age. A civil war has begun.

This is a primal conflict between a totalitarian system and a democratic system. Its outcome will determine whether we will be a free nation or a nation of slaves.



The Democrat Party is the world's most successful hate group. It attracts poor people who hate rich people, black people who hate white people, gay people who hate straight people, feminists who hate men, environmentalists who hate the internal combustion engine, and a lot of bratty college kids who hate their parents. However, the real secret of the party's success is that it attracts the support of journalists who hate Republicans, and who therefore work tirelessly to convince the rest of us that we should vote for Democrats.

## 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> -- Tom Marshall



### Americans at their Best, Unknown Author, posted on the Internet

Let this sink in for a minute....Hundreds and hundreds of small boats pulled by countless pickups and SUVs from across the South are headed for Houston. Almost all of them are driven by men. They're using their own property, sacrificing their own time, spending their own money, and risking their own lives for one reason: to help total strangers in desperate need.

Most of them are by themselves. Most are dressed like the redneck duck hunters and bass fisherman they are. Many are veterans. Most are wearing well-used gimme-hats, t-shirts, and jeans; and there's a preponderance of camo. Most are probably gun owners, and most probably voted for Trump. These are the people the left loves to hate, the ones Maddow mocks. The ones Maher and Olbermann just "know" they're so much better than. These are The Quiet Ones. They don't wear masks and tear down statues. They don't, as a rule, march and demonstrate. And most have probably never been in a Whole Foods.

But they'll spend the next several days wading in cold, dirty water; dodging gators and water moccasins and fire ants; eating whatever meager rations are available; and sleeping wherever they can in dirty, damp clothes. Their reward is the tears and the hugs and the smiles from the terrified people they help. They'll deliver one boatload, and then go back for more.

When disaster strikes, it's what men do. Real men. Heroic men. American men. And then they'll knock back a few shots, or a few beers with like-minded men they've never met before, and talk about fish, or ten-point bucks, or the benefits of hollow-point ammo, or their F-150. And the next time they hear someone talk about "the patriarchy," or "male privilege," or safe spaces from micro aggression on the media they'll snort, turn off the TV and go to bed.

In the meantime, they'll likely be up again before dawn. To do it again until the helpless are rescued. And the work's done. They're unlikely to be reimbursed. There won't be medals. They won't care. They're American heroes; it is just who they are and what they do.



Photo of Black Lives Matter convoy headed down to Texas to save black lives and rebuild black communities.



### Quotes by Will Rogers

"That's the trouble with a politician's life—somebody is always interrupting it with an election."

"There are men running governments who shouldn't be allowed to play with matches."

"I don't make jokes. I just watch the government and report the facts."

"Our Constitution protects aliens, drunks, and U.S. senators."

"The only difference between death and taxes is that death doesn't get any worse every time the Congress meets."

"The taxpayers are sending congressmen on expensive trips abroad. It might be worth it except they keep coming back."

"The short memories of American voters is what keeps our politicians in office."

"Be thankful we're not getting all the government we're paying for."

"I can remember way back when a liberal was generous with his own money."

**Comment by a President Trump Supporter, Source: Anonymous, posted on Horsepucky News Courtesy of Murdoch's Wall Street Journal, September 16, 2017**

**COMMENT** – “I’m not an educated person. I never graduated high school. I got my GED because the Army wouldn’t let me join without either a diploma or a GED. Went to basic training at Ft. Benning when I was 17. Did a tour in Iraq when I was 18 and 19. It was not a pleasant experience. After my tour, I got discharged for what I will euphemistically call “medical reasons”, if you catch my drift.

Hard times followed. I was basically homeless for a while. Lived in a friend’s van for about a year. I felt like that guy in that “I’m as mad as hell and I’m not going to take it anymore” movie when he said, “Things just seem to get worse and worse and nobody knows what to do about it.” I felt like the Forgotten Man. I was hopeless. my spirit was crushed. I had pretty much given up.

That all changed for me in June of 2015. I saw a man and his beautiful wife come down the escalator. I saw a man who, like me, was as mad as hell. And he really wasn’t going to take it anymore. I saw a man who stood up fearlessly against everything that was wrong in the world. I saw a man who gave up a life of luxury to be slandered and threatened every day. I saw a man who was a cheerleader, not for the lobbyists and donors, but for people like me. I thank God for sending this man. Things were getting worse and worse alright. But here was a man who knew what to do about it.

Day one I was hooked. I said, “This is it. This is what I’ve been waiting for. This is my guy. He’s fighting for me, so I’m fighting for him. I’m all in.” And since that day I have never seen that man waver. He has never let me down. And I hope I never let him down.

This movement has been an incredible journey. Every day is a wild ride and I’ve loved every minute of it. And there’s so much more to come. I look forward to every day now. I wake up with a smile on my face every day because Donald J. Trump is my president.

Sorry to get so personal, but for me this is personal. I’ve never met the man, but Donald J. Trump is more than just my president. He’s my friend.

Call me a fanboy, call me a cheerleader, call me whatever you want. You bet I’m a cheerleader for my president, my friend. He lifted my spirit in a way I didn’t think possible. He gave me hope. He inspires me every day. I intend to be his biggest cheerleader. It’s the least I can do. Frankly, I don’t know where I’d be without him.

I don’t feel like the Forgotten Man anymore. I have a friend. And he lives at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue. I’m proud of my president. I’m proud of my friend. I stand with him 100%. ([link](#))



**Michelle Obama’s designers refused to make clothes for Melania Trump.**



### How Can I Get into Heaven?

“If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale, and gave all my money to the church, would that get me into heaven?” I asked the children in my Sunday school class.

“NO!” the children all answered.

“If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would that get me into heaven?”

Again the answer was, “NO!” “If I was kind to animals and gave candy to all the children and loved my wife, would that get me into heaven?” I asked them again.

Once more they all answered, “NO!”

“Well,” I continued, thinking they were a good bit more theologically sophisticated than I had given them credit for, “then how can I get into heaven?”

A five-year-old boy shouted out, “You gotta be dead!”

**The Booming Economy Has Food Stamp Enrollments Plummeting , by Katherine Rodriguez, *Breitbart News*, August 9, 2017, Submitted by Don O'Nesky**



Food stamp enrollment went down over the past year in 46 out of 50 states according to the latest U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) statistics on food stamp enrollment.

The states of Connecticut, North Carolina, and the District of Columbia saw the biggest drops in Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) enrollment.

The reason for this substantial drop in SNAP enrollment in Connecticut stems from an economic boom in 87 towns experiencing low unemployment rates as of April 1, 2016, the *CT Mirror* reports.

The economic boom in these towns no longer made them eligible as of April 1, 2016, for a waiver from SNAP regulations. These regulations were put in place nationwide before the recession and require able-bodied adults without children to work at least 20 hours week, enroll in school, or take part in state-approved job training if they receive benefits for more than three months.

**\*\*\*The Media Won't Share This Story & That's Why We Have to Let You Know!**

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**Obama's Homeland Security Chief Complains Trump is Scaring Off Illegals, *Conservative Alerts*, Excerpts, July 23, 2017**

Liberals never learn from history. And Obama's Chief of Homeland Security, Jeh Johnson, just reminded us of that this week during an interview with CNN.

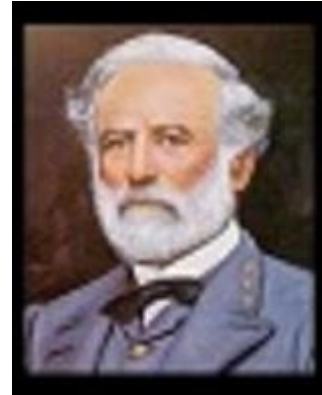
Complaining that innocent would-be illegal aliens are opting against crossing the border illegally, Johnson lamented President Trump's headline stance on border security with the renewed crackdown by ICE.

He explained that Trump's policy has scared folks from trekking across the southern desert. Pardon us for stating the obvious, but isn't that the point?

Aside from the loss of lives in the desert, to increased economic pressure, to clandestine terrorist agents, the point of having border security is to actually secure the border.

It's a novel concept for liberals, we know. But sometimes common sense isn't very common, especially in light of a rogue liberal, feel-good ideology.

While I am fascinated with my recent notoriety . . .



I might suggest that many of you channel your energy towards the little fat Korean ass with the bombs.





**The Media is the Problem, Submitted by Don O'Nesky**

**The Media: Falsehoods and Errors**

"I will add, that the man who never looks into a newspaper is better informed than he who reads them; inasmuch as **he who knows nothing is nearer to truth than he whose mind is filled with falsehoods and errors.** He who reads nothing will still learn the great facts and the details are all false."

**Thomas Jefferson, (1743-1826), US Founding Father, drafted the Declaration of Independence, 3rd U.S. President**  
 Source: Thomas Jefferson to John Norvell, June 11, 1807, [http://quotes.liberty-tree.ca/quote\\_blog/Thomas.Jefferson.Quote.5070](http://quotes.liberty-tree.ca/quote_blog/Thomas.Jefferson.Quote.5070)

**The Media is an Illusion**

"So, you listen to me. Listen to me! Television is not the truth. Television's a God-damned amusement park. Television is a circus, a carnival, a traveling troupe of acrobats, storytellers, dancers, singers, jugglers, sideshow freaks, lion tamers, and football players. We're in the boredom-killing business... We deal in illusions, man. None of it is true! But you people sit there day after day, night after night, all ages, colors, creeds.

We're all you know. You're beginning to believe the illusions we're spinning here. You're beginning to think that the tube is reality and that your own lives are unreal. You do whatever the tube tells you. You dress like the tube, you eat like the tube, you raise your children like the tube. You even think like the tube. This is mass madness. You maniacs. In God's name, you people are the real thing. We are the illusion."

**Howard Beale, Source: on-camera television newsman Howard Beale in Network (1976) by Paddy Chayefsky, [http://quotes.liberty-tree.ca/quote\\_blog/Howard.Beale.Quote.DEE3](http://quotes.liberty-tree.ca/quote_blog/Howard.Beale.Quote.DEE3)**



**Keep Sarasota County Beautiful (KSCB) Project, by Win Orben**

The next cleanup of Manasota Beach Road will be on Saturday morning, October 28, at 9:00. At least six volunteers are needed. For more information or to volunteer for this project, contact Win Orben at 474-4453 or [ww-orben@webtv.net](mailto:ww-orben@webtv.net).

**RCSSC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM  
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 SEND TO: RCSSC, P.O. BOX 352, VENICE, FL 34285-035**