



**OCTOBER MEETING, October 9, 2019**

**PROGRAM:** Our speaker will be Kurt Hoffman, candidate for Sarasota County Sheriff. He has worked for the Sarasota County Sheriff's Office for 14 years and currently serves as chief deputy and general counsel.

Join us for lunch at 11:30 at the Venice Gardens Civic Association, 406 Shamrock Blvd., Venice. Meeting will begin at 12:00 pm.

**President's Message, by Matt Soldano**

It is now Fall in South Sarasota County and about the only way I can tell that it is Fall is that I see apples, pumpkins, and chrysanthemums in the supermarkets...plus all the pumpkin-flavored coffees, baked goods, and even pumpkin marshmallows!

We had another great attendance in September where all the Republican candidates for the city of Venice November elections spoke. We have outstanding candidates! If you live in the city, PLEASE VOTE since the democrats and "indivisible Venice" are going door to door and holding rallies.

Twenty-five people attended our first luncheon social event at IHOP on August 28. The next one is/was at noon September 25<sup>th</sup> at IHOP (depending on when you open this). Our county commissioner, Charles Hines, is hoping to attend one of the future lunches.

October will be a busy month. On October 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> from 9 until 3, visit our booth and many other businesses at the Venice Community Center. On October 19<sup>th</sup>, join club members and walk (or maybe ride) with us in the annual Sun Fiesta Parade in Venice. We will send out more information. On October 23<sup>rd</sup>, we will have our social luncheon at noon. Finally, in late October or early November, we are planning a sign-waving event on the Trail around the county building.

Kurt Hoffman who is running for sheriff will speak at our October meeting. His opponent, Paul Fem, who is also a Republican, will speak at a future meeting. At the meeting, we will also announce the details of the Club Christmas Party. Thanks to all of you for your support. If you have any questions, email me at [matt1934@yahoo.com](mailto:matt1934@yahoo.com) or call at 401-729-9141.

**October Birthdays**

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 Norbert Bellendir  
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 John Finnigan  
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 Pete Green  
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## FIRST RCSSC SOCIAL LUNCHEON



On August 28, members and guests attended the first social luncheon at IHOP where everyone enjoyed food, conversation, and getting acquainted.



### News About Our Governor Ron DeSantis

**Email Message from Joe Gruters, September 13, 2019.** "An economy that is surging. An environment that is second to none. Florida is thriving under the leadership of Gov. Ron DeSantis. And there are no signs of slowing down. Read my take below and let me know if you agree."

**Gov. Ron DeSantis and the GOP, Florida is moving forward, By Joe Gruters. Chairman of the Republican Party of Florida, *In the News, Bradenton Herald*, By Joe Gruters, Excerpts.** A statewide survey conducted by St. Pete Polls revealed that Gov. DeSantis maintains the highest approval rating (58 percent) for a Florida governor in 10 years. Even more encouraging is the number of Independents (56 percent) who give the governor's brief tenure in office a resounding thumbs up. And this poll was taken before the governor received strong reviews from statewide media outlets for his steadfast leadership in the face of Hurricane Dorian. In an era of hyper partisanship, these figures are not only eye-popping but a harbinger of good things to come moving "Forward."

**Feds kick in \$2.7M for Hurricane Irma relief, By Bill Smith, *Fort Myers News-Press*, Aug. 19, 2019.** Governor DeSantis announced that the federal government will now pay all but 10% of Lee County's expenses in carting off trees and plants that littered the landscape after Hurricane Irma ripped through the region nearly two years ago. Damage from the epic storm has crossed a threshold that increases the federal government's expense reimbursement from 75% to 90% of the cost.

That 15-percentage point increase in payments goes for all local governments entitled to FEMA money for Irma. For Lee County, it means an extra \$2.7 million in debris removal expense will be picked up by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. It cost the county \$37.4 million to cart off plant and tree debris that cluttered the landscape after Irma passed. Under the 75% reimbursement formula that had been in effect, the county was eligible for \$30.9 million in reimbursement. Raising the payment to 90% of cost means another \$2.7 million.

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### Monthly RCSSC Executive Board Meeting

Will be held at the Frances T. Bourne Jacaranda Library Conference Room on Wednesday, October 2 ---11:00 to 12:30 PM.

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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.

**The war on pythons: Florida Gov. DeSantis steps up the fight, By David Fleshler, Sun Sentinel, August 8, 2019.**

Gov. Ron DeSantis announced additional steps Wednesday to fight Burmese pythons, the giant snakes that have wiped out much of the mammal population of the Everglades. DeSantis said the state has worked out a plan with the federal government to allow hunters greater access to Big Cypress National Preserve in the western Everglades. He said state agencies have agreed on a plan to fight the pythons in state parks and are working with local governments to remove them from locally owned land. And he said there will be annual Python Challenge contests to catch the most pythons.

"They're not native to this area and they're an incredibly invasive species," the governor said. "As these pythons have permeated through, they've really disrupted the natural food chain balance, they've threatened endangered species, they've decimated other animal populations.



Winner of the Democrat Debate

**Gonna be Hard to figure Out Who to Vote for in 2020? Submitted by Don O'Nesky**

1. Biden's gonna cure cancer.
2. Kamala's handing out reparation money to Blacks.
3. Bernie's gonna forgive all student loans.
4. Warren's gonna send reparation checks to homosexuals.
5. Beto's gonna eliminate our nation's borders.
6. Booker's gonna increase welfare programs.
7. Klobuchar's gonna make Washington DC and Puerto Rico states.
9. Swallowell's gonna vacate the 2nd Amendment.
10. Buttigieg's gonna eliminate the Electoral College.
- 11. Trump's gonna secure our borders, build our economy, strengthen our military, ensure America never becomes a socialist nation, protect Israel, reduce taxes, protect the unborn, follow the Constitution, eliminate unfair trade, clean up government corruption, and ensure Iran doesn't use the billions of dollars and nuclear technology Obama gave it to build bombs.**

Hmm ... Just can't quite make up my mind...

**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)

**Do You Want to Purchase an RCSSC Shirt?**

You have probably seen some of our members wearing shirts with our club logo. These shirts can be purchased in Venice: The Embroidery Patch, 208 Warfield Ave, Suite D, Venice; FL 34283 488-0001; [lisa@embpat.com](mailto:lisa@embpat.com)

**THANK YOU**

Thank you Frank Curcillo for your generous \$100 donation for our monthly lunch. Also, thanks to those on my Hospitality Committee who help provide the lunch each month—Jo Henry, Mary O'Nesky, and Peachie DeYoung—and members who regularly bring items for our food table for all of our members to enjoy, Terry Angley and Dot Scheeres.

Gladys

**On Destroying America, By Ray DiLorenzo, Canada Free Press, September 7, 2019.**

To survive what may be coming, you have to be strong, well anchored, and assured in the midst of craziness and deception everywhere. We are lied to, deceived, and manipulated constantly to believe what isn't so. Any weakness will declare itself quickly.

Our country is being dismantled, systematically, methodically. It has been going on for a long time, with patience and stealth, since at least the sixties and it is happening from within. Almost everything the Left needs to finish is now in place.

A recent Washington Times op-ed listed a set of conditions that are needed to destroy a nation. Anyone who reads the conditions and compares them with what is now happening and yet disagrees is either not looking or doesn't want to see. I have added some that I felt were omitted or needed to be included. Some will overlap:

**Destroying the religion that holds the country together, Christianity.** Churches have been decimated by liberal theology...ministers, priests and lay persons preaching their own gospel, counting money instead of souls saved.

**Destroying the nuclear family that produces stable children.** Avowed Communist presidential candidates insisting on exporting abortion around the world, demeaning life, redefining marriage...welfare to a point where the father is no longer needed with whole generations of broken families dependent on the government.

**Selling maleness as toxic.** Actively feminizing the male population, making us less able to defend ourselves. They turned the finest military in the world into what was labeled a 'social experiment.' But, in reality it was not an experiment at all. It was their way to knowingly destroy it.

**Decimating our education system.** Marxist teachers and professors are everywhere. Young people are being bombarded constantly with secular socialist propaganda, teaching the young to be non-judgmental and accept every form of degeneracy. Children come home from school questioning their grandparents' values because many of their parents are already on board. They are no longer taught Washington, Jefferson, Adams, Lincoln, Judeo-Christian values. Instead they are taught Malcolm X, Lenin, Mao and the transsexual that reads to them at the local library. Government schools have virtually eliminated parental authority.

**Creating Tribalism...divide and conquer.** When Obama became president he set out to divide the races, and so he did. He convinced many minorities that they were being oppressed and the police are their enemy. And it continues.

**Expanding Immigration.** As many people of other cultures as possible, legal or illegal. Dilute the American culture. Make it less acceptable or even a minority.

**Making government bigger.** Take over health care. Make the hard sell on global warming, or should I now say climate change. Blame every natural catastrophe on it. Give the government what they want...more power.

**Disrespecting the nation's symbols.** Express contempt for the Constitution. Disrespect our national anthem. Burn our flags or raise flags of other nations.

Fill the government with traitors, ruin the great reputations of great institutions such as the FBI, and the CIA, and treat these people as rock stars. And use the media as the cheerleader.

**Making everything political.** Speech, football, food, where you live, what you drive...shame conservatives at every turn.

**Taking over high tech,** the internet, the news media, entertainment. Control all opposition opinion.

**Taking control over a major political party.** And so they have. Would anyone have thought every Democrat presidential candidate would adhere to or be sympathetic toward socialism? Years ago it was called liberalism to make it more palatable, but now we have 'graduated' to calling it socialism or democratic socialism. They're getting more candid. The final step will be the real intention all along...Communism.



There needs to be an investigation to find out if anyone in the Democratic Party has ties to America



**Creating a new social order and standard of behavior.** This new standard includes largely the elimination of the freedom of speech. Watch what you say and report those who don't conform. I can remember several generations back when common sense was common. No longer. Criminals are treated as victims. White people are labeled as oppressors and must apologize for it. Deranged people who need help are ignored, treated as normal.

**Taking away guns.** The ability to defend yourself and your family, the most basic of rights. I put this last to point out the three powers that stand in the way of those who would take our country and our freedoms from us... **patriots and people of faith, the 2nd Amendment, and President Trump.**

Again, be strong in your beliefs. There are forces out to destroy this nation, our culture and society. It is like a cancer that is metastasizing. They will succeed, if we let them. They have accomplished much because too many of us have fallen asleep. **Liberals taught us to question authority. It is now time to question theirs.**

## DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM FOR THE YEAR 2020

- ✓ SOCIALISM
- ✓ KILL BABIES
- ✓ RAISE TAXES
- ✓ OPEN BORDERS
- ✓ DEFUND MILITARY
- ✓ TAKE AWAY GUNS
- ✓ WEAKEN ECONOMY
- ✓ DEFEND ILLEGAL ALIENS
- ✓ SUPPRESS FREE SPEECH
- ✓ REPARATIONS FOR SLAVERY
- ✓ REMOVE ELECTORAL COLLEGE



**Numbers Don't Lie--Trump Movement Is Growing, By John Pence, Cincinnati Enquirer, July 30, 2019**

President Trump's America First policies are drawing more people to the Republican Party and bringing in record donations for his 2020 re-election.

A movement started in 2016, and it's been fueling amazing growth for both our country and the Republican Party ever since.

While it's true that nearly 6 million jobs have been created since President Trump took office, it's also true that many Americans are supporting the Republican Party for the first time thanks to the president. This is a movement of everyday Americans from every walk of life. The data doesn't lie.

During the 2016 election campaign, President Trump inspired millions of Americans with the simple promise that he would "Make America Great Again" through "America First" policies. The media wrote that message off as a meaningless campaign slogan, but millions of Americans across this country knew better.

Since then, both the economy and the Republican Party have been flourishing, fueled by a president who is delivering on his promises for all Americans. Thanks to Donald Trump's leadership, the Republican Party is now synonymous with freedom, economic prosperity, and security.

The data shows that this movement is growing. President Trump's rallies consistently draw well over 30,000 attendees, whether they take place in a remote airport hangar

## Always Get a Second Opinion!

As a child, I always had a fear of someone under the bed at night. So, I went to a shrink and told him: "I've got problems. Every time I go to bed, I think there's somebody under it. I'm scared. I think I'm going crazy."

"Just put yourself in my hands for one year," said the shrink.... "Come talk to me three times a week and we should be able to get rid of those fears." I asked him, "How much do you charge?" "One hundred fifty dollars per visit," replied the doctor. "I'll sleep on it," I said.

Six months later the doctor met me on the street. "Why didn't you come to see me about those fears you were having?" he asked. "Well, \$150 a visit, three times a week for a year, is \$23,400.00. A bartender cured me for \$10.00. I was so happy to have saved all that money that I went and bought a new pickup truck."

"Is that so?" with a bit of an attitude he said, "and how, may I ask, did a bartender cure you?"

"He told me to cut the legs off the bed. Ain't nobody under there now."

It's always better to get a second opinion



or a major sports arena. Just last month, his 2020 campaign kickoff rally in Orlando received more than 120,000 RSVPs for a venue that could accommodate 20,000. The same routine plays out at every rally: people start lining up days in advance to make sure they can get a seat, because they know that thousands of people will end up watching the president's speech on jumbotrons from the parking lot once attendance reaches capacity. We've never seen the same level of enthusiasm or support for Democrats, especially for any of their 2020 presidential candidates.



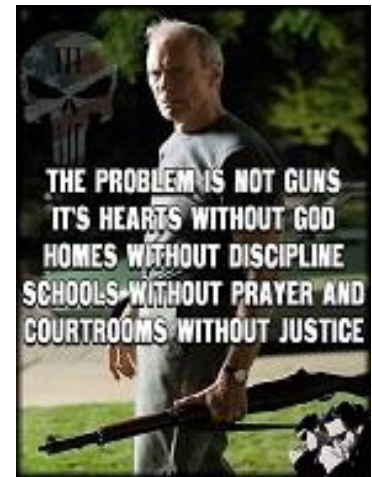
**Of Course Children Prefer Liberalism, By Trevor Thomas, *American Thinker*, March 28, 2018. Excerpts.**

Conservatism is, in a sense, an acknowledgement of and a surrender to the truth. We conserve "what works," those traditions, practices, and ideas that have long held the test of time -- such as marriage being the union of one man and one woman, the idea that if a man doesn't work, he shouldn't eat, all men are created equal, life in the womb is real and precious -- because they are rooted in the Truth.

The most significant principle of conservatism is that our rights come, not from man or from government, but from God. All laws of men, all governments instituted by men, should be rooted in the Laws of the Lawgiver. Any law, any government that does not do such is folly, and should be treated as such. As Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. taught us, a just law is a man-made code that squares with the moral law or the law of God. An unjust law is a code that is out of harmony with the moral law.

Because what is tried and true can sometimes be viewed as stale and boring, and because being moral is often difficult, conservatism is frequently presented with challenges that liberalism is not. Because the moral demands of liberalism are light and few, life in this world is often much easier for a liberal. This is especially true in politics. For liberals governing becomes a matter of seeking what is popular and pleasing, not what is right.

Much of our childhood is spent doing the same. We are by our nature selfish, self-centered creatures. We want what we want, when we want it. As children, we want the toys, food, entertainment, and so on, that make us feel good. We are born into our selfish way of thinking -- one might say we are all born little liberals -- and good, faithful parenting helps train us out of it. Tragically, far too many of us these days are getting no such training, and tens of millions of Americans are stuck in perpetual childhood. Thus, liberalism endures. Liberals knew well what they were doing as they worked for decades at destroying the family. As generations of Americans have been raised in broken homes, it makes it easier to make them wards of the state.



**Kids eating Tide Pods.. Adults don't know which gender they are.. Trust Me Guns are not the problem**

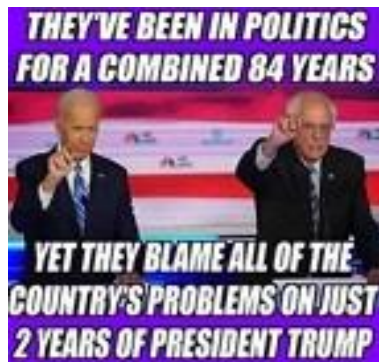


One of the great lies of modern liberalism -- perhaps *the* great lie -- is that the world owes us something, and it's up to us to do whatever it takes to get it. If one has the "right" to do whatever one wishes in the sexual realm, why take responsibility for an unplanned pregnancy? And if we don't have to worry about sex leading to children, why get married at all? And if we want to get married, why can't we define what is marriage?

If one has the "right" to healthcare, why shouldn't the government provide it? Why shouldn't food, housing, clothing, education, transportation, and so on, be viewed as "rights," and thus as things someone else owes me? And if students have a right to be safe in schools, why not take away everyone's guns?

It's pretty easy to convince children---or those who think and reason like a child--- that this is how the world should be. Thus, we shouldn't be surprised that so many students -- whether elementary, middle, high school, or college -- are eager to take up liberal causes. And with most of the country being educated from a liberal worldview, the real surprise should be that any students at all -- at least those in government schools -- shun the causes of liberalism.

It's not enough for conservatives to guard our own children against -- and train them out of -- such thinking. Because so many of today's American children are exposed to nothing but a liberal worldview, we must instruct them to the contrary. More importantly, we must faithfully live out the truth and be an example to all of the world that, though the truth is often hard and unpopular, it is always worth it.



**Residents Fleeing Democrat-Run States to Escape Taxes and Poor Job Growth, *The Mad Patriots.com*, January 2, 2018, Submitted by Don O'Nesky, Excerpts.**

The American economy has not seen a boom like this in many a year, but the effects have been mitigated in some states due to heavy-handed government policies that prevent growth from taking root. In those states, managed one and all by Democrats, people are fleeing in record numbers to go to red states where the economic climate is much more friendly. According to new U.S. Census Bureau numbers, two of the nation's biggest Democrat-run states -- Illinois and California -- saw sharp population declines last year. Simultaneously, Texas and Florida -- both under Republican control -- have seen their populations skyrocket.

But Blue State America's loss is Red State America's gain, as can be seen from Texas and Florida. The Lone Star State added nearly 400,000 people to the population rolls last year and the Sunshine State saw more than 322,000 flock south. The longtime residents of those states will undoubtedly have much to complain about, given the expanding growth, but it is an economic certainty that you are either growing...or dying. So, it is a very good thing in the long run that these states continue to see their populations expand.



#### **Safety for My Home, Anonymous**

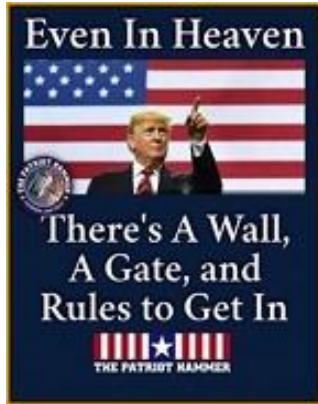
I took down my Rebel flag (which you can't buy on EBAY anymore) and peeled the NRA sticker off my front window. I disconnected my home alarm system and quit the Neighborhood Watch. I bought two Pakistani flags and put one at each corner of the front yard. Then I purchased the black flag of ISIS (which 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 used to charge me.

Plus, I bought burkas 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.

As for the Democrat-run dystopias? Well, the people who want to keep living there are either eventually going to get the message or they are going to watch their cities and towns follow places like Detroit down the drain and into obsolescence. But as long as the politicians continue to fail upwards towards D.C., they won't change a thing.



**ANOTHER PROMISE KEPT—PRESIDENT TRUMP IS BUILDING THE WALL**  
 President Trump visits the border, 1600 Daily, The White House, Sept 18, 2019.

President Donald J. Trump is in California today, where he traveled to Otay Mesa—a community just north of the border—to get a firsthand look at new wall construction.

The wall may be President Trump's most important promise kept to the American people. As a matter of policy, it adds to and replaces outdated, often embarrassingly ineffective fencing to protect our country from human smugglers, drug traffickers, and criminal cartels. As a matter of symbolism, it reassures Americans that after years of empty promises from Washington to fix immigration, their voices mean something.

So today, despite resistance from open-border Democrats to enforcing laws that *already* exist and to keeping promises they *already* made, the wall is going up. American families, law enforcement, and millions of legal immigrants will be safer for it.

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