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Dinner & Meeting 6:30 PM

President’s Message

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Dear Fellow Republicans,

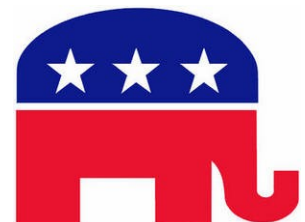
Well, we did it in Florida, thanks to all your help. I want to give praise to Harold Bowers and Denny Curtis for manning the WCCRC Headquarters for the last two months. Also, thanks to the many volunteers who turned out to make calls and assist at the front desk. A special thank you goes to Terry and Crystal Smith for the use of the office space.

As I come to the end of my term as your President I just want to say that it has been a great time in my life learning how the inner mechanics of the political world works. The most amazing is the time and effort so many of you give to the party. Nina Stamoulis, your tireless effort and efficiency is amazing.

So many go unnoticed, unnamed, and unpraised. I would like to name each and every one of you, however the list would be too long, and I don’t want to chance leaving any of you out. So, a thanks to all. You know who you are.

Sincerely,

Ray Corcoran, Pres. WCCRC



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★ We are currently starting a membership drive, and we have a special offer to our members: If you ★
★ bring in a new member (someone or a family that has not been a member in the past) **You and** ★
★ **the new member eat for free!** ★
★ This is limited to one meal for the current member and one meal for the new member. If you have ★
★ 2 in your party and 2 in the new member party only a total of 2 get to eat for free out of the 4. This ★
★ is a 50 to 100% meal discount based on the number in the party. ★
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Next Meeting: November 14th

Menu Choices:

- Chef's Salad**
- Roast Pork with Stuffing**
- Baked Cod**

For reservations: Denny Curtisdcurtis@ewol.com
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Program for November Meeting

**The speaker for this month will be
County Commissioner Robert Skidmore.**

Commissioner Skidmore represents District 3.

TOYS FOR TOTS



U.S. MARINE CORPS RESERVE

For more information visit www.toysfortots.org

It is that time of the year when we give thanks for what we have and to think about those who are less fortunate.

The WCCRC again joined with the Marines in their Toys For Tots program.

Please bring your new, un-wrapped gifts to our Christmas Dinner Meeting on December 14th.

Your generous donations are greatly appreciated by local Charlotte County families.

Thank you,

Nina Stamoulis, Sec.



“OBAMA LIES! And doesn't give a damn about America!”

... AFL-CIO Border Agent

Obama has finally met a labor union it doesn't like and the feeling is mutual. In June, a union representing 7,600 employees in ICE, affiliated with both the American Federation of Government Employees and the AFL-CIO issued a “no confidence” vote against Obama's border appointees. The unions say ICE director John Morton abandoned the core mission of enforcing Immigration Laws, to create **easy amnesty**. They further charge Obama with the creation of a comfortable detention system for illegals that's better than US citizens similarly jailed. At the same time Obama was requesting funds for 1,000 additional border agents, the union reveals that it was (in effect) secretly reducing the number of agents by cutting their overtime. These agents aren't just disgruntled employees. They, too, are outraged by an administration that is suing to block Arizona's immigration law and bragging to the UN that this is a positive step for human rights - while Obama undercuts removal of illegals. The union is outraged at Obama's “new democrats” priorities.

Consider the firestorm set off by a leaked memo outlining ways the US Citizen and Immigration Services (USCIS) could, effectively, legalize tens of thousands of illegals even without comprehensive immigration reform. The USCIS could grant “**parole in place**” which comes with a work permit and

a green card. Or, it could identify a group of illegals -- like potential beneficiaries of the DREAM Act, another slick path to amnesty. Congress refuses to act on any issue that secures our borders. Their deferred action allows-in thousands more democrats daily - and delays deportation indefinitely. Any claim by democrats that they want our borders sealed is a ruse and lie.

Then this brainstorm: DHS would stop issuing “notice to appear” letters that begin the deportation process, **unless the alien also has a huge criminal history**. Example: a landlord couldn't issue “pay or quit” notices to tenants who won't pay rent. In essence, Obama's proposal would give amnesty by “**executive sanction.**” **He would freely distribute green cards while refusing to enforce immigration laws.**

Obama has virtually stopped all effective worksite raids. There are now very few operations that are generating arrests of illegals. Through May, from 2008: administrative arrests were down 81%; criminal arrests down 67%; indictments down 73%; and convictions down 75%.

Obama only wants to go after illegals nailed for “**other**” **highly serious crimes**.

This is the one time a union is speaking out correctly on an issue to help America. So, of course, Obama rebuffs them.

One goal for democrats: More democrats.

Jim Graham

WE'RE BACK !

By: Peter Watson - Editor

Florida Republicans can be proud of themselves and their efforts in this year's mid-term elections.

In local contests we elected Republicans Steven R. Deutsch and Chris Constance to the Charlotte County Commission, plus Lee Swift to the School Board, as well as Bob Bacon and Jeff Kern to the Englewood Area Fire District Commission in a non-partisan race.

In Florida State races we elected a Republican Governor and Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Chief Financial Officer, and Commissioner of Agriculture. We also elected 81 members to the Florida House of Representatives. This includes Ken Roberson, a member of the West County Republican Club. Out of 16 races for the state Senate, Republicans won 14 seats, including Lizbeth Benacquisto for the 27th district.

On the national scene, Florida is sending 19 Republicans to the U.S. House of Representatives, including eight new faces. All four of the candidates supported by the Charlotte County R.E.C. were elected, in no small part due to our efforts to support their campaigns by making phone calls and sending them monetary contributions. Charlotte County Reps Vern Buchanan, Tom Rooney, and Connie Mack all won their bids for re-election.

Sending Marco Rubio to the U.S. Senate was like putting icing on our victory cake, and hopefully will send Charlie Crist into obscurity, never to be seen or heard from again, as his just reward for turning his back on those who supported his previous political ambitions. Bye Bye Charlie!

Now, we must all keep our current crop of politicians under close scrutiny while they set about furthering the objectives of republican and conservative independent voters. We must also prepare to build upon our success this year by fielding quality candidates in the 2012 election. We can not slip back into complacency ever again if we're to retain our liberty and prosperity. We owe it to our children and grand children, so that they may enjoy the freedoms of our great constitutional republic.



**Remember
9/11!**



LOOKING TO THE FUTURE – HOW WILL WE MEASURE UP?

The 2012 presidential election is fast approaching. The five Republican candidates are participating in a nationally televised debate. One of the questions read by the moderator is selected from among dozens submitted by audience members. The question reads: “I am a young immigrant who recently moved to the United States. What are two things I can do to become a success in America?”

Four candidates give responses so vague the audience can hardly discern their meaning. Then the fifth candidate gives her answer, which would soon dominate newspaper headlines across America: “Learn English and adopt Christian values.”

It’s tough to imagine an American politician speaking so bluntly and with such truthfulness. In Germany, however, such a statement was recently uttered by Chancellor Angela Merkel. She had the guts to say that Germany's recent drift towards multiculturalism has been an unmitigated disaster. And she went one step further calling on their immigrants to learn German and adopt Christian values.

Merkel’s remarks were not spontaneous. She was weighing in on a controversy she could hardly avoid. It began when a German central bank board member said his country was being dumbed down by uneducated and unproductive Muslim migrants. The point can hardly be disputed. But no one had the guts to state the obvious.

Merkel rightly understands that subsidizing immigrants does not make a country strong. In fact, it makes a country weak if the subsidies are not made in exchange for compliance with certain demands – such as speaking German and abandoning the Muslim practice of forced marriage.

Even Turkish President Abdullah Gul seems to understand the view articulated by Merkel. He has now publicly encouraged members of the Turkish community living in Germany to master the German language. He goes so far as to suggest that Turkish children living in Germany should master German at ages so young that they will be able to speak without an accent before they reach adulthood.

A recent study showed that around one-third of Germans feel the country is being "over-run by foreigners" and the same percentage feel foreigners should be sent home when jobs are scarce. Nearly 60 percent of the 2,411 people polled thought the four million Muslims in Germany should have their religious practices "significantly curbed."

The Islamic community seeks to use these statistics as proof that they are victims of human rights abuses. Those claims are tough to take seriously when one considers the violent history of Islam. It is a religion of conquest that has historically relied upon the denial of human rights as its chief method of evangelism.

The Islamic community also seeks to use these statistics as proof that Muslims are victims of "prejudice" rising to the level of "Islamophobia." But even a cursory reading of the Koran shows that they are taught to segregate themselves from "unbelievers" and "infidels." They have no desire to be integrated. It's against their religion.

The Islamic community further seeks to use these statistics as proof that they are victims the kind of racism Jews suffered under the rule of Hitler. But these claims are undercut by the torrent of anti-Semitism pouring out of the Muslim world on a daily basis – including, but not limited to, Iranian threats to wipe Israel off the map.

Angela Merkel is simply stating the obvious fact that some cultures are clearly inferior to others. It is not an abuse of human rights to say that people should be educated and productive. It is not prejudiced to judge bad behavior after it happens. It is not racist to set high standards for all races.

The German people are lucky to have a leader like Angela Merkel. God knows we need someone like her here.

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FLORIDA HOUSE REPUBLICANS WIN 81 SEATS

RPOF Press Release - November 05, 2010

TALLAHASSEE – Speaker-Designate Dean Cannon (R-Winter Park) tonight congratulated House Republicans on winning 81 seats, giving the Republican House Conference a majority of more than two-thirds. En route to winning the 81 seats, Republicans defeated five incumbent Democrats. “Tonight’s successes demonstrate the strength of our slate of Republican members and candidates and highlight the fact that Republican values of lower taxes, less spending and limited government continue to resonate with voters across the Sunshine State,” said Speaker-Designate Cannon. “I look forward to joining our returning members as well as our more than 30 new Republican members as we work to cultivate a fertile economic environment by shrinking the size and scope of government, empowering the individual, and promoting the family.” Republican victories in incumbent Democrat seats include are as follows: Elizabeth Porter defeated Debbie Boyd (D-Newberry) in House District 11. Larry Ahern defeated Janet Long (D-Seminole) in House District 51. Jeff Brandes defeated Dave Heller (D-St. Petersburg) in House District 52. Ray Pilon defeated Keith Fitzgerald (D-Sarasota) in House District 69. Gayle Harrell defeated Adam Fetterman (D-Port St. Lucie) in House District 81. Additionally, in a strongly contested race in House District 119, Republican Frank Artiles defeated Katie Edwards, retaining the seat previously held by Representative Juan Zapata (R-Miami) who could not seek re-election due to term limits. “Maintaining the strong legacy of Republican leadership in the Florida House is critical as we work to address the challenges facing our state during these difficult economic times,” said Representative Will Weatherford (R-Wesley Chapel). “The growth in our Republican majority will ensure that we can continue our work to keep taxes low and to foster an economic climate where businesses are encouraged to locate and expand here in Florida.” “Our state is facing many challenges that will require difficult choices, and I am confident that our Republican majority will work to address those challenges in a conservative manner,” said Representative Chris Dorworth (R-Lake Mary) “I am honored to welcome our new members to the Florida House and looking forward to continuing to serve alongside my returning colleagues.”

CONTRASTED STARTING POINTS

Democrats began with Trillions!

Republicans will begin Broke!

By: Jim Graham

Democrats will quickly attempt to publicize that Republicans' ideas aren't miraculous in improving jobs, the economy, etc. But, this will ignore the severely handicapped and very contrasted **“STARTING POINTS.”**

Democrats began with **“Trillions”** to experiment with. Republican plans will begin with **“Trillions of Debt.”**

Democrats will quickly chide the Republicans to produce miracle programs for immediate results! From trillions in debt, that's impossible!

The **“STARTING POINTS”** must be well publicized and distinguished to keep public expectations real. Not only will Republicans be faced with fighting the Senate and Obama while trying to create jobs and restore the economy, they have the huge task of undoing the horrendous, complicated Obamacare mess.

The 700 Billion dollars given to the states and cities to rebuild, and create new jobs was a **“Democrat Scheme”** to allow those entities to pay back bills, but mainly to fund Labor Union salaries and pensions. This provided another typical Democrat delay to face the inevitable union cuts. Unfortunately now, Republicans are forced into controversial axing of spending programs.

Right now, any more federal help must be denied. (California, are you listening?)

However, have no doubt that federal, state, and city financial problems have been, and always will be caused by labor unions.

The Democrats will never address this problem, but Republicans must!

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