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PROGRAM FOR MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH CANDIDATES FOR LT. GOVERNOR OF NORTH CAROLINA

Dan Forest



A strong fiscal and social conservative, Dan has over 23 years of experience as a business leader, architect and entrepreneur. He is a former Senior Partner with one of North Carolina's largest Architectural firms – Little Diversified Architectural Consulting – having served as President of the firm's Durham office. Dan holds two undergraduate degrees from UNC Charlotte and is a graduate of UNC Charlotte College of Architecture. He is the founder of the Triangle Leadership Forum where he serves as president of the board. Dan serves on the board of The Faith Driven Consumer and is the former chairman of the board of Wake Forest Pregnancy Support Services. He is the son of U.S. Representative Sue Myrick and lives in Raleigh with his wife, Alice, and four children – ages 6 to 18.

Dale Folwell



Currently the Speaker Pro Tempore of the North Carolina House of Representatives, Dale is from Winston Salem serving his fourth term in the North Carolina General Assembly. In addition to numerous major leadership positions and committee assignments, he is ranked as one of the more effective Republican members by the NC Center for Public Policy Research. He has received high marks from the North Carolina Free Enterprise Foundation, the 2011 NCFEF business rating report, and Civitas Action for his conservative legislation. Rep. Folwell, a North Carolina native, received his BS in accounting from UNC Greensboro, passed the Certified Public Accounting Exam, and earned his Masters in Accounting from UNC Greensboro. He is a former Vice President and Registered Investment Advisor for Deutsche Bank/Alex Brown. Married to Synthia for 23 years, Dale is the father of three children.

Tony Gurley



Born and raised in western North Carolina, Tony Gurley received a Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy and a Masters Degree in Pharmacy Administration from UNC – Chapel Hill. He graduated with a Juris Doctorate from North Carolina Central University's Law School and opened the law firm of Gurley & Cookson in Raleigh.

Elected to the Wake County Board of Commissioner in 2002, 2006, and 2010, he served as Vice-Chairman in 2005 and as Chairman in 2006, 2007, and 2010. He continues in the pharmacy business with two businesses in Raleigh and provides free pain medications for the under served and low-income community at free dental clinics. Tony and his wife Robin have two grown sons, Robert and Michael.



FEBRUARY LUNCHEON

Pinehurst Members Club - **Monday, February 6, 2012**

Roast Pork Loin Normande with Apple Jack Cream and Orchard Chutney
Sweet and Russet Potato Hash
Roasted Asparagus and Carrots
Chocolate Mousse Torte

Valet Parking Available

Registration: 11:30 - Luncheon 12:00

Checks payable at the luncheon to: Pinehurst LLC

Cost: \$ 16.00 Inclusive

To make a reservation, please call Joan Ward at 295-6544 or e-mail at paward@embarqmail.com
no later than Wednesday, February 1.

Cancellations: No later than 12:00 Noon, Saturday, February 4

You must pay for lunch if you do not cancel by this time.

MEMBERSHIP: Thank you to the 140 members who had already renewed their membership. If you have not already done so, please send your 2012 dues of \$30.00 payable to MRW to Gina Brown, 1855 N. May St., Southern Pines 28387. If you wish to receive a hard copy of the newsletter each month, please include an additional \$12.00 for copying and postage.

President's Message.....from Lane Bergstrom

Happy New Year to all! Now that the 2012 election year has arrived, there is much to plan for, and much to do to make this a successful time for our state and country. In the coming months, we will be presenting Republican candidates for your consideration in the NC Primary, May 8th. Please make every effort to attend luncheons this year to keep up with what is happening on the political stage, because it is important for us to know what is taking place around the state. This is a great time to invite and bring your friends to our luncheons. Remember that our guests are prospective members and we want to keep our membership strong and growing to insure we maintain our position as the largest Republican women's club in North Carolina. Please plan to be at your precinct meeting when scheduled. The County Convention will be held March 31, and to be a delegate to that convention you must attend your precinct meeting and sign up while there. More information about both conventions will be available on the web site. Attendance at these meetings are of interest and great importance if we are to be a **RED** state in 2012!



WAYS AND MEANS: A Valentine Basket will be raffled at the February meeting, the contents of which will remain a mystery until then.....

A mystery Valentine....doesn't get any better than that.

CHECK THE WEB SITE FOR INFORMATION:

www.mrwnc.org



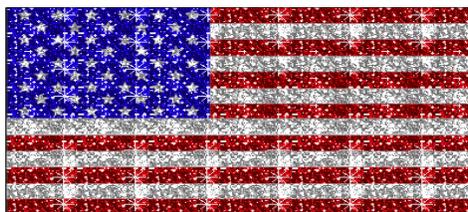
Americanism by Nancy Roy Fiorillo.....If I lived in Iowa

If I lived in Iowa, I would be delighted to be the first caucus state. I would really enjoy and benefit from all the attention that is generated in my state for many months in the year prior to the Presidential election. In fact, I would look at this as quite an economic boon since every four years we are inundated by candidates (sometimes Republican, sometime Democrat, sometimes both!), their staffers and the media. They all need to eat, sleep, and buy headache remedies and other sundries. There must be some local benefit as well when billions of dollars are spent on the airwaves, either television or radio. And just think of the gas sold for all those campaign buses and other vehicles.

If I lived in Iowa, I would change my mind every time I was polled just to make sure we're getting attention and the hoards keep coming. After all, if we Iowans united behind one candidate, it wouldn't be nearly as interesting. I would keep changing my mind and even at the very last moment say that I'm undecided. Yes, I think that's the best way to keep the money flowing to my state. After all we only have this opportunity every four years. Let's make the most of it.

One candidate stated that *they pick corn in Iowa, but they pick Presidential Candidates in New Hampshire*. He may be right but we also grow hogs, corn, soybeans, oats and we are leaders in the organic food movement. Many folks think we are primarily agricultural producers but manufacturing (related to agriculture) claims our largest employment sector. As far as picking Presidential candidates, our record is about 50%. We picked George Bush, Bob Dole and Gerald Ford but failed to pick John McCain, George H.W. Bush and Ronald Reagan!

Iowa holds a caucus rather than a primary, and is the first State to do so which creates all the interest. Caucus-goers elect delegates to the National Convention but oddly, they are not required to support our caucus winner! No matter who we choose, there are still nearly 9 months until the August Republican Convention in Tampa Bay which is plenty of time for a candidate to make a goof, have a sex scandal or forget the Federal Agency he would eliminate!



The Solar thing just got a little more interesting.....The Tonopah Solar company in Harry Reid's Nevada is getting a **\$737 million loan from Obama's DOE.**

The project will produce a 110 megawatt power system and employ 45 permanent workers. That's costing us just \$16 million per job.....

One of the investment partners in this endeavor is Pacific Corporate Group (PCG). The PCG executive director is **Ron Pelosi who is the brother to Nancy 's husband.**

Just move along...no conflict here!!

Legislative from Linda Jarrett....

The Caucus and Primary season has officially begun, indicating the actual election year . Thus, the Presidential campaign is officially in full swing! It's time for all citizens who understand the severity of the "change" occurring in the past 3 years to recognize that 2012 is an historic year, whose election outcomes will determine our future decades.

You, and our Country are facing a history-changing choice: Do you choose inaction and continuation of a progressively socialistic way of life which restricts individual choices and opportunities, the dwindling number of "producers" having greater portions of their resources taken to support an ever-increasing number of "takers"....--- OR, do you choose to join the struggle to take back our Country, initiating the return to a system of checks and balances, essentially regulation-free, and a return to fiscal sanity as envisioned by our Founding Fathers?

The former promises financial collapse and uniform, equally-shared mediocrity. The latter's promise is achievement of any goal any citizen can envision -- free of "Big Gov" over-regulation, crippling taxation, and, intrusions into every aspect of daily life -- in short, a reversal of the former deterioration, with return to the system and society existent pre-WWII -- which produced the most vibrant financial, educational, and free society in recorded history.

When asked in the future years about what YOU did - what was your contribution to the struggle in 2012, what will you be able to reply? What can YOU do to influence the outcome of this election year? **Plenty!!**

The Goals:

- Moore County: "Get Out the Vote". Educate Republican and Independent voters on the issues.
- North Carolina: Elect Pat McCrory as Governor. Elect a GOP Candidate as Lt. Governor. "Hold" the GOP majority in the Senate. Increase the GOP numbers in the House. I
- Federal Level: Elect a Republican President (whomever that candidate may be!) Achieve a GOP majority in the Senate. "Hold", even increase, the majority in the House

Action Choices: Cover GOP soon-to-be announced headquarters handing out campaign materials, answering questions, etc. -- Participate in the "Phone Bank" . Make "GOTV" calls for Moore County, or, for out-of-county or even out-of-state campaigns.

- Hand out "Campaign Issues" Fact Sheets to neighbors, at shopping center locations, etc.
- Distribute "door hangers" in your Precinct. Help Precincts with insufficient Volunteers. Write 'Letters to the Editor'.
- Email information, fact sheets, etc., to Friends and Family across the country
- Enlist assistance with phone calling from friends and family - here and across the country

Consider which of these activities you wish to support. Choose an amount of time you can devote to them each week. You can make a real difference with one or two hours, consistently provided. Obviously, more time will constitute a greater effect.

When asked in future years what you did to save your Country, what will you be able to answer?

BE BOLD. BE PROUD.

It's Not Personal... It's Politics.

Godfather Politics

January 12, 2012 by DA TAGIARI

Federal Appeals Court Tells Voters Their Votes Don't Matter Anymore.....

One of the most basic principles of freedom in America is the right to vote and to have your vote count. Thousands of lives have been lost and many more maimed to give us that freedom and to protect it. Millions of people in other nations would love to have the right to vote on matters that would affect their lives. To so many people worldwide, there is almost nothing more precious than the freedom to vote. However, here in America, we are seeing a frightening trend where a court consisting of just one judge to as many as nine judges in the Supreme Court that take it upon themselves to tell American voters that their votes don't count.

I recall a measure some years back where nearly 75% of voters in a southwestern state voted in favor of an English only bill. The bill was intended to save the state, county and city governments as well as employers thousands of dollars by not having to print everything in English and Spanish. It only took one liberal judge to declare the bill unconstitutional, thus telling the majority of the voters in that state that their votes didn't matter.

There have been similar cases over the years and now we have another instance where the judicial system is telling Oklahoma voters that their votes don't matter. In 2010, 70% of Oklahoma voters voted in favor of State Question 755. SQ 755 was an amendment to the state constitution that barred courts from looking to the laws of other nations, especially Sharia laws when making their rulings in cases before them. The exact wording in the measure is, "Specifically, the courts shall not consider international law or Sharia law."

Sponsor of the bill, State Senator Anthony Sykes explained that the goal of the measure was intended to restrict judges in Oklahoma to apply only US and state laws when they render their decisions. This also meant that judges were not to turn to any laws, including religious laws from other nations.

Even though the measure received enough popular votes to amend the state constitution, Muneer Awad, the executive director of the Council on American-Islamic Relations in Oklahoma objected and challenged the amendment in court. A liberal court ruled in his favor, forcing the case to go before a federal court of appeals.

Because the proponents of the amendment could not produce any examples where judges in Oklahoma have used foreign or Sharia law in rendering a decision, the appeals court ruled to block the amendment from taking effect. Even though proponents said the use of Sharia law in the wording was just an example of any foreign religious laws, the appellate court stated "That argument conflicts with the amendment's plain language, which mentions Shariah law in two places."

In response to the appeals court ruling, Awad said, "This serves as a reminder that these anti-Shariah laws are unconstitutional and that if politicians use fear-mongering and bigotry, the courts won't allow it to last for long."

Sharia is the Muslim policy of combining law with the religion of Islam. They claim it is intended to guide them to Allah and is founded in compassion and mercy. Mind you their interpretation of compassion and mercy includes honor killings of women for a variety of reasons.

I just watched a program that interviewed a Muslim man in Bahrain who shot his sister in the head four times because she had been raped. Although she was the victim of a brutal crime, her violation brought shame to the family. In the interview, the brother equated his sister to a dinner plate. If the plate gets broken, it's no longer of use so you dispose of it. Then he said that in the case of a woman it's the same thing, once she has been violated, she is of no use and it's best to discard her to avoid any further shame to the family.

This is what Sharia law is about and this is what the people of Oklahoma wanted to prevent. But because one Muslim objected to the amendment, two courts so far have ruled that the personal views of the one outweigh the vote of 70% of the people. In other words, their votes meant absolutely nothing.

The ironic aspect of this case is that the courts in the US have been repeatedly ruling against Christians and laws protecting Christianity while the courts repeatedly seem to defend Muslims and Sharia law. But this shouldn't surprise you knowing that we have a Muslim president who has systematically replaced Christianity with Islam in all aspects of government, law, foreign policy and American life.