



MRW News

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John Locke Outreach Coordinator Becki Gray to headline August 10 meeting

Becki Gray, Vice President for Outreach at the John Locke Foundation, will headline the speakers at Moore Republican Women's Conservative Women's Grassroots Workshop, Sunday, Aug. 10, from 2-4 p.m. at the Village of Pinehurst Hall, 395 Magnolia Road, Pinehurst. Gray will speak about Strategies for Communicating Our Conservative Message.

Three additional speakers will focus on national issues that impact us locally. They include Neil Oakley, Attorney and Moore TEA Board Member, who will discuss Big Government and its effect on Moore County. Moore County District Attorney Maureen Krueger will outline the status and ramifications of illegal immigration in the county. Bonnie Dougherty, retired U.S. Navy commander and member of the Concerned Women for America of North Carolina, will update members on Common Core and where North Carolina stands in terms of accepting or rejecting this controversial curriculum.

MRW's own Mariann Benway will offer personal training in facebook and twitter to anyone who wishes to stay after the presentation.

This meeting is being held on a Sunday in order to encourage those women who normally could not attend a regularly scheduled meeting to join us. If you know a working woman or young mother who would like to learn more about MRW, please invite them to attend.

Guests will be invited to complete a short survey asking their preferences for time, days, and activities that they would participate in. The meeting is free and will include light refreshments. No lunch will be served.

So that we can plan for all who will attend, please register at MooreGOPwomen@gmail.com or call Kay Wildt, president, at 910-978-7766.

Tillis to Address Men's Club in August

GOP candidate for the US Senate, Thom Tillis, is the guest speaker at the Moore County Republican Men's Club meeting on Thursday, Aug. 14, at the Country Club of North Carolina. Senator Richard Burr will be on hand to introduce Tillis. Steve Bibey, candidate for NC District Court Judge (19B) will also address the group.

The meeting will begin with check-in at 10:30 a.m., followed by the business portion and speaker, with lunch to follow to allow Tillis to be on the road to Raleigh by noon.

Cost to attend is \$18, payable to CCNC. To make a reservation, visit the Men's Club website at <http://www.mcrm.org> or call Bill Scholtes, (910) 400-5042.

President's Message Kay Wildt

One of America's most amazing attributes is our belief that we can do whatever we set our minds to. The recent anniversary of the moon landing recalled an achievement that a generation before would have seemed impossible. Today, we Americans are faced with an even greater challenge than space flight: a fight between good and evil here in our country.

Oh, one can tiptoe around it, and it is necessary to nuance one's observations a bit, but when one considers what this regime is doing at every turn, what else can be deduced, other than this regime is the opposite of good. Since when is it "radical" to support the U.S. Constitution? Since when do Christians represent a threat and become labeled as terrorists? Since when are Citizens targeted for IRS abuses? The answer to all these "since when" questions is since January 20, 2009. While no administration is perfect, this regime knowingly and consistently violated our laws, targeted conservatives, and has sunk to a new low.

Per Merriam-Webster, a tyrant is "an absolute ruler unrestrained by law or constitution;" a despot is "a ruler with absolute power and authority." Those names are almost interchangeable, and we have used them in the past to describe heads of second or third-world countries. Observing the way power is wielded in this regime, makes one imagine that soon those names may be used to describe our own leaders. It is staggering to look at the excesses of this authoritarian regime: increasing our national debt beyond our ability to repay it, dismantling our nuclear capabilities while allowing enemies to proliferate theirs, failure to protect our borders from foreign enemies, drug cartels, gang members and criminals, IRS targeting of Citizens, takeover of our health system, the abject failure of the Veteran's Administration.

The lawlessness of this regime, and its open complicity with our enemies to alter our Constitutional system of government, is astounding. And a spineless Congress bears much of the blame. To destroy a nation from within, three parts of society and culture need to be changed: Education, Immigration, and the Military. Common Core, a product of "progressives" and communists/socialists, is now being fought by parents, as its hate-filled (anti-American) curriculum becomes known. Immigration problems are shown on every news channel. Our military is being gutted; valuable leaders are being targeted and removed at a time when our enemies' power grows, leaving a tactical void, while we are infiltrated by more fanatics. As our June speaker said, avowed enemies of our way of life work at all levels and in all agencies of our federal government in D.C. and in the White House.

MRW's goal is to send a Republican US Senator, Thom Tillis, to Congress and return Renee Ellmers to the House. Were there more conservative, Constitutional candidates in the primary, and were they fine people? Yes, but they did not pull in enough votes. Stop with the intra-party warring. We have serious ENEMIES, AND THEY ARE INSIDE THE GATES.

Author Brad Thor Takes on Racism and Eric Holder

We have a new racism in America that is being fueled by those at the highest levels of this regime. On July 14, 2014, Brad Thor, number-one NY Times author of thriller novels appeared on Glenn Beck's show to publicize his new book, *Act of War*, the fourteenth in his series of best-selling books.

After watching Attorney General Eric Holder claim there is a "racial animus" behind the opposition to President Obama, Mr. Thor exploded in an eloquent rebuke. Thor spoke extemporaneously, and what follows are his thoughts.

Thor accused, "Mr. Holder, the one true racist in this dialogue is *you*. You see everything through the prism of race. You are the racist. You are using racism to cover up the inadequacy of the performance of the president of the United States, and the absolute dereliction of duty in your office. *You*, sir, are the racist.

"The 'war on truth' in this country, it's coming from the left.

"We have had such success in this country, as far as getting away from racism. There is no more

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Thor, continued

institutionalized racism in the United States. We have a black president — that was a historic, very proud moment for this country. And for Eric Holder and his ilk — they want to use racism as a shield and a sword. So the people who are *preventing* a real dialogue about race in this country are people like Eric Holder.”

Thor maintained that Holder’s comments were “not really about racism,” but rather, the “failure of leftist ideology” and “the failures of the Department of Justice, starting with Fast and Furious going all the way through the IRS scandal.”

He agreed with prominent members of the black community who have commented that they have been let down over and over by people like Barack Obama and by the Democrat Party.

“I want *everyone* in the United States to be successful. I want Hispanics, white people, Asians, I don’t care. I don’t see skin color. What I see is fellow human beings, fellow citizens, fellow citizens of the Republic of the United States of America,” Thor noted. “But people like Al Sharpton, people like Barack Obama, are only successful to the degree to which the people they purport to represent are *not* successful,” Thor continued. “It is a completely inverse relationship. ... They only serve to harm black communities, and that needs to be addressed.

“You want to have a real conversation about race? Let’s have a real conversation about race. This is an attempt to chill free speech. That’s exactly what Holder’s up to, and Obama hides behind that shield, as well,” he said.

Bravo, Mr. Thor, you express what many of us believe.

Americanism Nancy Fiorillo

I play Words with Friends to keep in touch with my children and other relatives. It's a fun Scrabble game with none of the penalties attached with trying unheard of words in regular Scrabble. In the commercial version I recently noticed an advertisement for Health Care Reform! Probably not the most expensive advertisement for Obamacare but it made me think about other ways that the administration has spent our tax dollars to move forward its health care agenda.

My eyes glaze over at the numbers on web sites explaining how much Obamacare has cost American taxpayers as well as how much has been spent on advertising "health care reform."

So...according to the web, \$16 Million during the first three years. I have no idea if that includes the \$2.9 Million for Oregon's "hipster" ads or the \$3.2 Million spent on the Oregon "guitar hipster ads." And what about "pajama boy" and other ads featuring regular folks "begging" for reform.

It cost \$600 Million just to build the Obamacare web site (not a glitch-free site by any means) and advertising is estimated at \$684 Million and counting. The overall cost was initially estimated at \$900 BILLION for the ten year period beginning in 2009. Overall, \$2.6 TRILLION is estimated to be the overall cost but could rise to \$14 TRILLION by 2019.

It is currently estimated that Obamacare enrolled 4 Million people -- 3 Million of whom already had health care insurance.

I am at a loss as how to add up all these numbers - but I'm certain that our tax money could have been spent more wisely.

A Look at History Reveals What's Behind It All

In 1966, Richard Cloward and Frances Fox Piven, two leftist/communist sociology professors at Columbia University formulated an insidious socio-economic strategy to ruin America by collapsing our economy. By creating chaos through crisis and overwhelming our governmental systems with a flood of demands, they planned the fall of capitalism, our proven system of commerce. Their eventual goal was to force socialism/communism on our nation. It would come in small steps disguised as social programs to help the needy at a time when welfare aid was compassionately funded by our elected officials.

Before the entitlement mindset took hold, about 8 million Americans were receiving welfare in 1966; it was estimated that 16 million were eligible. Previously, accepting welfare was a last resort or only a temporary solution; however, Cloward-Piven activists condition those of an entitlement mentality to take all that is available and demand more. Then when refused more, to vote in those who promise even more goods and services, "so-called entitlements." By embracing this philosophy, generations, who could have been contributing members of society, have never worked to support their families, and we have a virtual permanent underclass.

Rather than develop programs for economic self-sufficiency to achieve and lift poor families out of poverty, Cloward-Piven's philosophy leads to only one end game: socialism/communism. Their theory hastened the destruction of the family unit when Democrats and LBJ's welfare rules required that a household had to be single-parent only to be eligible for benefits.

From 1965 to 1974, single-parent households on welfare soared from 4.3 million to 10.8 million. The loss of the father's influence in the home contributes to ills ranging from poor school work to incarceration. Rather than helping, welfare, as a way of life, has caused incalculable harm to our families and our nation.

As a means to overthrow our system, the Cloward-Piven strategy uses fiscally irresponsible welfare and services as a Trojan horse with the intent to destroy our nation. As a result, the disaffected were swept up into the Democrat Party as a voting bloc; ACORN was born, along with other vote-fraud schemes; strife and racial tensions were fomented among minority poor, the working-class ethnic groups, and the white middle class. Yet, with all the years of Democratic "help," the poor are worse off than ever, and they do not understand that they are being controlled and their freedoms are eroding.

Today, we see the Cloward-Piven strategy at work in the tidal wave of violent criminals, gang members, and child-pawns invading our border. Reports indicate that the regime anticipated the increased numbers and did nothing to stem the tide, rather they encouraged it. Now the regime is using this crisis to drive us deeper into debt with no resolution for the chaos they continue to allow with our open border.

In addition to distracting us from ongoing scandals, one thing is clear; this tsunami of the lawless is all part of a plan by America-haters Cloward-Piven, George Soros, and his stooges in D.C., who are addressed as "The Honorable."

300 Club Fundraiser Begins In August

Announcing the MRW 300 Club! Beginning in August, MRW will launch a 300-ticket raffle fundraiser. Only 300 tickets will be sold; each ticket will be \$25.

We will draw 12 winners at our December brunch: two \$500 winners and ten \$100 winners. Proceeds from our raffle will be used to support candidates and our military and literacy projects.

Be sure to stop by the 300 Club table at the summer and fall meetings to buy your tickets!

GOP Headquarters to Open Aug. 1

The GOP Headquarters in Southern Pines is set to open on Aug. 1. An official Grand Opening is slated for September with the date and details to be announced after Labor Day.

The 2014 headquarters is located in Cam Square, Unit 5, 1150 Old U.S. Highway 1, across the road from the old Curves building.

New Members in the Spotlight

Our new members are being given the “star” treatment! New members’ name tags now have a star on them to help everyone identify them and welcome them to our group. Please look for the stars, introduce yourself, and invite new members to sit with you at our luncheons.

Upcoming Candidate Fundraisers

While MRW does not endorse one Republican candidate over another, we are pleased to announce fundraisers for any Republican candidate giving us their information after the May primary. We will include the information in our newsletter if we receive it in a timely manner.

Steve Bibey, candidate for District Court Judge, will hold a Campaign Social on Friday, August 8, between the hours of 4 and 8 p.m., at The Market Place, 246 Olmsted Blvd., Suite C, Pinehurst. (Off NC 211, near Jos. A. Banks men's store). R.S.V.P. no later than August 6, by contacting Dianne Dupree at dbdupree@earthlink.net, (910) 695-0290 or Steve Bibey at steveabibey@gmail.com, (910) 639-9284.

Personals

Congratulations to Peggy Smetana on the birth of her first granddaughter, Madeleine Elizabeth.

We are saddened to report the death of Gael Schulman, long-time MRW member who recently moved to Georgia.

Special Dates for This Election Cycle

Please make a note of these upcoming dates of note for the November election cycle.

- **SEPT. 5:** First day to request an absentee ballot by mail for the general election
- **OCT. 10:** Voter registration books close for the general election
- **OCT. 23:** One-stop early voting begins
- **NOV. 1:** Last day to vote early for the election, ends at 1 p.m.
- **NOV. 4:** General election

Clip Coupons to Support Our Troops

NEW PROJECT: The Support Our Troops[®] Troopons[®] program enhances the well-being of overseas and domestic military families by sending them manufacturer’s coupons for food, non-food, baby, and pet needs to make their hard-earned dollars go farther. It’s easy to participate. Simply bring manufacturer’s coupons that you don’t use to a meeting. Debbie Spelman will collect them for MRW and will send them to the Troopons program for distribution! Debbie will do the clipping, sorting, and bagging if you will bring in the pages of coupons. It’s an easy way to make a big difference in the lives of military families. More information is available online at the web addresses listed below, or see the next page for more information.

<http://www.supportourtroops.org>; or <http://www.floridatoday.com/videos/news/2014/03/21/6666781/>; or <https://www.facebook.com/Troopons>.



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The Bagging Instructions are informational only. Debbie Spelman will do the clipping, sorting, and bagging for MRW. Just bring in the pages of coupons. Remember that even coupons expired two months ago can be used.

The commissaries have requested that Troopons be bagged and delivered to them as follows.

1. Cut out the coupons.
2. Sort coupons into two piles by status:
 - a. Expired. Not expired more than 2 months.
 - b. Unexpired. At least two months of life left.
3. Sort each of those two piles into four piles by type:
 - a. Food items
 - b. Non-food items
 - c. Baby food/items
 - d. Pet items (like dog food)
4. Stuff them into plastic baggies.
5. Write the status (Expired or Unexpired) and the type (food, non-food, baby, or pet) on them.
6. Total the retail savings of the baggies and write it on them. This helps us track the value of the overall program.

7. Debbie Spelman will clip, sort, bag and send them to SOT:

Support Our Troops®
P.O. Box 70
Daytona Beach, FL 32115-0070

Only "Manufacturer's Coupons" can be used. They can be from the newspaper, dispensers in grocery stores, tear-pads, and elsewhere as long as they state "Manufacturer's Coupon" on them. No assistance vouchers. No food stamps. No store coupons. No restaurant coupons. No Internet coupons.

*Thank you for making a difference in the lives of our military troops and their families!
Happy clipping!*

~~ The Support Our Troops Team

Pinehurst July 4 Parade Drew Big Crowd By Bro Park



On the prettiest morning of the summer our annual Pinehurst Fourth of July parade was fantastic and wonderfully attended! We had four vehicles and many walkers in the GOP contingent. Barbara and Harry Riley's red convertible led our group followed Carol Wheeldon's granddaughter and her friend carrying the MRW banner. Next was the red truck and trailer driven by Jack Gracie with Margie Gracie.

Robert Bahner and his cousin joined us also, holding MCRMC banner. Handing out copies of the Constitution and flags, all walkers had plenty to do en route to the finish line in the Village, near the flag. Dee Park drove Jamie Boles' 1975 Carolina blue Chevy. Bro Park and Carol

Wheeldon rode in that spiffy car, with Roy Burch and his sons behind them, carrying the GOP Men's Club banner. Last but definitely not least, Tom Beddow drove his truck, decorated with magnetic signs and balloons.

The huge crowds along the entire route were waving and cheering, and thanking all of our Conservatives with lots of enthusiasm.

This is one parade we would not want to have missed. Next year, same place, same people plus YOU!

Legislative UpdatePeggy Smetana

A preacher once said: "Remember to keep the Main Thing the Main Thing."

For me, the Main Thing is that God has already won freedom for us. God, giver of our rights, always wins. The question is whose side are we on? Do we wish to work and share in the glory? In his book "Rules for Radicals," Saul Alinsky praised Lucifer for rebelling against God.

"Overwhelming the system" is a key tenet of radicals. Obama, doing his best to follow this advice, has thrown crisis after crisis at us. Trying to solve these crises by writing legislation with which the Senate and Obama agree is like a dog chasing its tail. I will not ask you to tell Congress to enact specific legislation.

The Main Thing for our country right now is to remain a country. If a country does not or cannot maintain its borders, it is not a country.

Please contact your representatives and tell them not to give Obama the \$4 Billion he asks for the border surge. It's better to have no bill than a bad bill. Obama can stop the illegal border crossings anytime he wants. Ask Senator Kay Hagan, if there are no borders, what is she a Senator of?

NFRW to Feature MRW Literacy Project

MRW's literacy project with Northern Moore Family Resource Center and Robbins Elementary school is making the headlines! NFRW Literacy Committee Chair, Maxine Bennett, has asked to feature our project in the next issue of the NFRW newsletter. In addition, the NFRW website will include links to our literacy booklists, pictures and story, so that other clubs may follow in our footsteps!