



MOORE COUNTY, NC REPUBLICAN MEN'S CLUB

NEWSLETTER – JANUARY 2018 ISSUE



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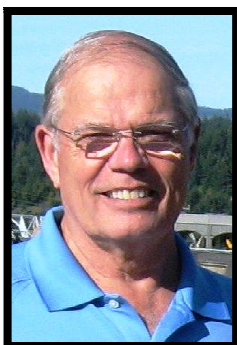
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President's Message by Bob Zschoche:



Thank you to all who elected me as your President. I look forward to serving the Club. Thank you also for the great Executive Committee Team you elected. With such an excellent EC Team, I know we will continue our reputation as the largest and best Republican Men's Club in North Carolina. A big thank you to the previous Club leaders--- Presidents and all EC members—who have established our place in North Carolina republican politics.

Club Members---when you see an EC member---thank them for their service.

We start the New Year with a renowned speaker. John Hood. He is perhaps the most critical political thinker we have in North Carolina. Pat Haggerty continues to line up great talent for our monthly meetings. See Pat if you have thoughts to help the Club.

This spring we will jump right into the primary season. Primaries are critical for the Republican party to field the best candidate in the fall election. As you know, the Men's Club does not endorse candidates in the primary. Study the facts, make up your mind and may the best candidate win in the primary elections. We still have some uncertainties in some of the races, but then uncertainty is always present in politics.

Speaking of uncertainty, we have Judges who believe they know better than the elected representatives of the people. But then the losers at the ballot box are known to refuse to accept they have lost. They ask a single judge to overturn the will of the people.

This brings me to one of most important tasks I believe President Trump has and is doing a great job accomplishing victories down the road. Trumps' appointment of conservative judges is critical. You know he is doing the right thing when the Democrats complain and even more important when the Republican establishment complains.

See you on January 22nd.

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Paul Shaffer

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TBD

Fundraising &

Candidate Finance:

TBD

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TBD*

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Luncheon Administration:

TBD

Nominations:

TBD

Program:

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All EC members

Bylaws:

TBD

Veterans:

John Boesch*

*Committee Chairman

As you can see above, we are in the process of assigning new chairman to our standing committees. We are also going to be adding members to these committees, so if you have an interest in serving, please let an EC member know.

Committees are the heart of the club and are responsible for seeing that we continue to support conservative Republican values and attract new members. The committees need your help!



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Jerrell Seawell

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(Your name could be here) (Your Number here)



(Become a member of our calling team. Call today and volunteer)

Would you like to serve as a calling captain? If so, please let the new Calling Colonel, Jerrell Seawell, know. Also, be responsive when you are called by your calling captain. If he leaves a message, return his call and let him know if you are coming to the meeting or not.

(910) 464-2219 Home

Cell for text
(910) 695-6082

Luncheon Meetings:

Our luncheon meetings for 2018 continue to be on the 3rd Monday. The next meeting, however, is at CCNC on the 4th Monday, Jan. 22, registration at 11:30am, with the meeting being called to order at noon. Watch for more details by email & in this newsletter.

Our January 2018 speaker is an annual favorite, John Hood. Sign up today!

The lunch price is \$20.00 The all inclusive, cash or check to CCNC.

Make your January luncheon reservations on or before Thursday, January 18 at:

www.mcrmc.club/home.html

Click on the upper right "Luncheon Reservation" tab.

Future Meetings and Events:

The remaining meetings in 2018 are scheduled to be on the 3rd Monday. However, be sure to watch for date changes due to potential guest speaker scheduling issues. We are expecting to have outstanding speakers during the first half of this year.

In April, we are inviting the May 8 Republican Primary candidates for Sheriff to speak and take questions from attendees.

We are looking at scheduling the 2018 golf outing in June.

Please make note, our next meeting is on the 4th Monday, Jan.22 at CCNC

Newsletter Distribution Changes for 2018

As has been announced by email and in previous newsletters, starting in January your newsletter will be coming ONLY by email, if you have an active email address. Those members who do not have email will continue to get a paper copy in the US mail.

If you have email, but still want to get a paper copy

By US mail, you must let Paul Shaffer know by telephone or email. Please do so ASAP. Occasionally, if you want a paper copy and did not get one at the meeting, just call or email Paul Shaffer and ask for a one-time paper copy to be mailed.

With this change, we expect to save the club between \$300 and \$400 a month, which will increase available funds for Republican Candidate funding. Thanks for your understanding and continue to enjoy your

monthly newsletter.

Please let Paul know if you have any comments or questions. His telephone number and email can be found in the left column of the front page.

2018 Officers Elected and Sworn In at December Meeting

As was noted in the December newsletter article, at the December meeting the following 2018 officers were voted into office by a unanimous voice vote:

President - Bob Zschoche
Membership Chair - Jerrell Seawell
Programs Chair - Pat Haggerty
Treasurer - Scott Sheffield
Secretary - Steve Woodward
At Large - Ken Lewis, Frank Rodriguez, Jim Legg, Bill Demastus
Past President - Jim Lexo
Moore County GOP Chair - Tom Beddow

All of the 2018 EC members (both elected and non-voting members) were sworn in by member Susan Hicks, Moore County NC Clerk of Courts.



The first EC meeting of 2018 will be at 9:30am on January 22 before our January luncheon meeting. The newly elected officers will take over their duties. In addition, other duties will be assigned such as lunch administration including registration. Committee assignments will be reviewed and additional committee member needs discussed.

We encourage all members to offer their congratulations and thanks to these 2018 officers. On the front page of this and future newsletters you can find a complete list of EC members and their contact information.

Steve Woodward, Secretary

Meet our newly elected Secretary, Steve Woodward. He was elected to this position and was sworn in at the December meeting. He has been a member for several years and is



currently working with former secretary and 2018 President, Bob Zschoche to take custody of the club records and looks forward to performing secretarial duties this year.

Watch for more information about Steve and other new officers in future newsletters. Seek him out and introduce yourself at the January meeting.

VP Membership – Jerrell Seawell

With a brand new year upon us it is now time to move forward and get back to work in increasing our club membership and participation. Once again, I will be serving as your Membership VP and in addition fulfilling the role as Calling Colonel as well. I am pleased to serve in the capacity of both roles and looking forward to working with our Calling Captains and all of our members.



We definitely made progress in 2017 with an increase in new members to our club and good numbers of guests attending our monthly meetings and

luncheons. Now is the time to continue building on this foundation. Our Calling Captains have worked hard to help not only in contacting our current members but in reaching out to perspective new members as well. We will be looking for some volunteers to

serve as Calling Captains very soon. Please let me know if you would like to assist with this. It is a very good way to get to know other members of our club and for other members to know you. Please contact me on my cell at 910-695-6082 or my home at 910-464-2219 if you would like to serve as a Calling Captain.

One of the biggest improvements in 2017 was the development of our clubs webpage. If you have not visited it yet, I encourage you to do so. Thanks to the hard work of our Webmaster Tom Schroeder it is a very simple process to sign up for the luncheons thus eliminating the need for a Calling Captain to make contact with you each month. I want to stress to everyone the efficiency of using our Web page for lunch reservations. This is only one of the benefits as there is a wealth of other information on the website. Please visit it at www.mcrmc.club

If you prefer to use our website for lunch

reservations please let your Calling Captain know.

I know that 2018 has a lot in store for us and there are some good times ahead. It takes us all to work together to move our club forward. Without everyone working together, we are as only good as what a few can accomplish, but with everyone together, there is no limit to what we can achieve. Again, I want to challenge all current members to bring a guest each month to the luncheon and to recruit one new member during 2018.

Now a big reminder for all current members to get those 2018 membership dues in. Let us get those paid up so we can concentrate on improving our club. Again, I look forward to working with each of you and hope everyone has a blessed New Year!

January 22 Meeting and Program Information
by VP Programs, Pat Haggerty



“The Moore County Republican Men’s Club (MCRMC) strives each month to present speakers who our members find interesting and informative. Some of our speakers are so popular, we bring them back every year. John Hood,

the President of the John William Pope Foundation, is such a speaker. John will be speaking at our lunch meeting on Monday, January 22nd at the Country Club of North Carolina (CCNC.) NOTE; the MCRMC meets the third Monday each month.

However CCNC closes for much of January for maintenance and repairs, so the January MCRMC meeting is the 22nd, not the 15th. John is a regular on the Public Affairs talk show, *NC Spin* and regular columnist in the *Pilot*. His 12/31/17 column in the *Pilot* was very good. He spoke about how college professors worked, unsuccessfully, to prevent a freedom of speech provision on college campuses.

That provision would have protected ALL speech, liberal and conservative. John also spoke about how liberals have hi-jacked words like “progressive.”

Our January 22nd meeting will also feature local law enforcement officer Leslie Clothier. Leslie will talk with us about the Ellie Jean Project which raises funds to provide playground equipment for disabled children. The goal of the Ellie Jean Project is for all children, regardless of physical abilities, to be able to enjoy with playground equipment with other children.

Please contact me, pat@patrickhaggerty.com or 301-466-7403 with suggestions for speakers for future

meetings.

MCRMC – Website/Facebook News:

See the new MCRMC website "News" page (<http://www.mcrmc.club/news.html>). It now contains a moderated "news feed" which is updated several times a day using some of the best news sites. There are also multiple links (green and blue buttons) which will take you to some of the best news sites we have been able to identify.

Take a look at it and let me know what you think or if you have any other good news sites that you would like us to include. Send recommendations to Tom@tschroeder.info

We also have added a page which will provide you with information regarding the February 6, 2018, 5th Annual Reagan Dinner. See this web link: <http://www.mcrmc.club/reagan-dinner.html>

Members who are on Facebook should go to the club Facebook page, look it over and become a follower. If you are not already a “Friend” of the MCRMC Facebook page, just type “Moore County Republican Men's Club Facebook” in your search bar and click on the “Search” button. Once on the MCRMC Facebook page, click on the friend request tab.

Visit both our website and Facebook posts to stay completely up-to-date on all things Republican in Moore County, in North Carolina and nationally. Send a website and Facebook link to your like-minded conservative friends and relatives.

If you have any questions or comments about our website contact Webmaster, Tom Schroeder by telephone or email as noted in the left column of the front page. Facebook questions should go Steve Woodward at (910) 215-0793.

Moore Republican Women Meeting News & Message by President – Pauline Bruno

**FEBRUARY 5th –
FIRST LUNCHEON MEETING OF 2018!**

MCRMC members are always welcome to attend the MRW meetings as guests. Go to the MRW website, www.mrwnc.org to make a reservation. Watch your email for more details about the February 5th MRW luncheon meeting.

President’s Message – Pauline Bruno

Wishing you all a blessed, healthy and prosperous New Year. Let us give thanks for all our many blessings of this past year!

A big thank you to all for the many toys you contributed for our veteran families and Toys for Tots! What a beautiful way to put a smile on a child's face! As always, your generosity is so appreciated. Thank you Kay Wildt for taking charge and delivering them.

Thank you to all the people who came out and volunteered to lay wreaths at the Soldiers Cemetery in Spring Lake.

It is wonderful to be a part of the many groups who do this on the same day at the same time throughout America. Let us never forget our veterans who have given us so much.

We have very important elections this coming year and as the largest Republican Women's Club in North Carolina, it is our duty and privilege to work hard and get the message out.

Barbara Jackson is running for re-election to the North Carolina Supreme Court. As the only Conservative, it is imperative we support her fully and tirelessly. I know we will do it!

MRW is YOUR club. Surveys will be distributed at the February meeting. Along with a few questions, requests for day and month (NOT the YEAR) of your birthday will be included. We would like to celebrate our members!

Please be sure to fill them out so we can better understand your feelings and what interests you and in what direction you would like to see our CLUB go! Thank you.

Jan. 16 is a National Holiday celebrating Martin Luther King. His vision of the values he stood for — unconditional love, non-violence and justice empowers our Nation with his revolutionary spirit!

Each month we will be asking for a small contribution for our veterans. We ask that everyone please do your best so that we can thank our men and women for all they do for us.

This month we will be collecting socks! Please try to bring in a pair at our next meeting in February. I am looking forward to welcoming everyone back at our Feb. 5 meeting. It will be our first luncheon of 2018.

Please pray for our soldiers and our country.

**Moore Country North Carolina GOP News
5th Annual Reagan Dinner: Tom Beddow, Chair**



**2018 Fifth
Annual
Ronald
Reagan
Dinner**

**DATE: Tuesd
ay, February
6, 2018**



**TIME: Sponsors' Reception 5:30 - 6:30 P.M.
General Reception: 6:00 - 7:00 P.M.
Dinner: 7:00 P.M.**

**PLACE: Outlook
Ballroom
Pinehurst Country
Club 1 Carolina
Vista Drive
Pinehurst, NC**



PRICE: \$85.00 per ticket (Reservations and Pre-payment are required.)

**Dress: Jacket and Tie for Gentlemen -
Semi-Formal Attire for Ladies**

Please plan to join us for our fifth annual Ronald Reagan Dinner. This year's program will be a wonderful experience. And the menu is enticing, too! Mark the date and reserve your place at the table using the RSVP form at the link below!

Click Here to Register

Click Here if You Wish to Become a Sponsor

Our Keynote Speaker:

Peggy Grande
President Ronald Reagan chose Peggy Grande to work at his side for 10 years, and together they created a powerful partnership. Serving as his post-presidency Executive Assistant, Peggy was the liaison between Ronald Reagan personally and his staff, the public, local dignitaries and world leaders. She ensured that his events, travel, personal and political relationships and day to day operations were handled efficiently and effectively. She had a front row seat to history and got to know Ronald Reagan the man, not just the president.



She drafted and managed correspondence for his original signature, reviewed invitations, scheduled visitors, appointments and phone calls and attended to a wide range of office and personal needs. Peggy traveled with him regularly and was also his post-presidency official photographer which gave her a behind-the-scenes view of his private interactions with everyone from the general public to heads of state, including Gorbachev, Margaret Thatcher, Brian Mulroney, Helmut Kohl and even a saint – Mother Teresa. Peggy witnessed first-hand leadership on display at its highest and best. It was the honor of a lifetime for her to have known and worked closely with one of the greatest political figures of our era.

Peggy Grande, as a keynote speaker, will share principles of leadership and excellence. She is a certified consultant for the Fascination Assessment, and uses it to help individuals and companies discover and articulate their highest value.

Peggy is a graduate of Pepperdine University with a degree in Organizational Communications and Business. She lives in Los Angeles with her husband and their four diverse and accomplished children.

We are very excited that Ms. Grande will deliver the keynote address at this year's Ronald Reagan Dinner.

Cletta Mitchell

But that's not all! Fox News contributor Cleta Mitchell will also provide an up -to-the-minute update on "The Swamp" and all its creatures, particularly those that have been or are violating Federal Election and Campaign Finance Law. Ms. Mitchell is a partner and political law attorney in the Washington, D.C. office of Foley & Lardner LLP, and a member of the firm's Political Law Practice. Don't miss this inspiring evening to remember our beloved Ronald Reagan and to support President Trump in his efforts to "Make America Great Again".



BANQUET MENU

Entrees include assorted freshly baked rolls & butter, dessert, coffee or tea.

Champagne and Pear Salad

Cider poached pears, Watercress, Red Leaf, Frisée, Shaved Fennel, Crumbled Stilton and Toasted Pumpkin Seeds with Champagne Vinaigrette

DINNER ENTRÉE SELECTIONS

Grilled 10 oz. Kansas City Strip Steak
With Cabernet Reduction Sauce

Seared Salmon: *With Tomato Emulsion Sauce*

Pinehurst Chicken
Seared Chicken Breast Stuffed with Crab Meat and Boursin Cheese with Boursin Cheese Sauce

SIDES

Above Entrées will be served with: **Roasted Garlic Whipped Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables**

VEGETARIAN ENTRÉE

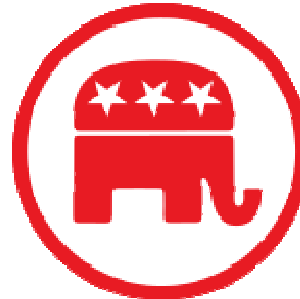
Spinach and Ricotta Stuffed Rigatoni
Large Shells of Pasta Filled with Spinach and Ricotta Cheese Served with Sauteed Mushrooms, Asparagus and Lemon Flavored Marinara Sauce

DESSERT

Ronald Reagan Birthday Cakes

NOTE: Meals for those with special diet requirements will be available upon special request. Make special requests through Carol Wheeldon at (910) 295-6628 or via email at cwheeldo2@centurylink.net

The Outlook Ballroom in the Pinehurst Country Club is an unforgettable setting for a reception or banquet. Wall-to-wall floor-to-ceiling windows provide stunning views of Pinehurst No. 2.



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Plan to come, and bring your conservative friends! Please do attend the Reagan Dinner and get to know Peggy Grande and hear stories you've never heard.

The Main Reception will begin at 6:00 P.M. in the Club Lobby. The following information pertains to the Main Reception:

- The Main Reception is open to all who attend the Ronald Reagan Dinner. It is your opportunity to mix and mingle.
- Get to know your fellow active Republicans, guests, and the speakers.
- Live music provided by Gary Brown.

- There will be cash bars and free bar mix snacks for your enjoyment. *(Please note: The Club will not accept personal credit or debit cards at the cash bars. Cash or PCC Members' cards only will be accepted.)*
- Everyone will move to the Outlook Ballroom at 7:00 P.M. for dinner and the main program.
- The cash bar will remain open to anyone who wishes to use it throughout the dinner service.

SIGN UP TODAY!

RESOLVE NEWS:

Moore County GOP Has Added A BLOG! Find it at: www.resolve-nc.org. Following is a recent submission:



NC leads on free speech by Resolve

North Carolina Lieutenant Governor Dan Forest and fellow state Republicans go into 2018 with considerable momentum, owed to last year's numerous legislative victories and despite ever looming veto threats and lawsuits courtesy of Democrat Governor Roy Cooper.

In a December 31 op-ed for *North State Journal*, Forest summarized legislation that originated in his office in 2017. In particular, he heralded adoption of a Campus Free Speech Act by the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina system, which "helps restore and preserve free speech on our public university campuses."

While this objective might strike some as common sense and overdue, the law places North Carolina and its public universities squarely in a position of national leadership at a time when disrupting campus speech -- in classrooms and in public forums, or by forcing speakers to be "disinvited" -- has emerged as a core tactic in the left's so-called "resist" movement. As the Democrat party moves further left and pursues an ever more radically progressive agenda, college campuses are devolving into battlegrounds, thick with tension.

The NC law (HB527), sponsored by Rep. Chris Mills (R-Pender), inevitably will become a substantive pillar on which Forest can campaign in his likely run for the Governor's mansion in 2020, especially if Forest is forced to contend with a field of other Republicans -- Phil Berger, Pat McCrory, or U.S. Senator Thom Tillis -- for the nomination. When he hits the campaign trail, Forest would be wise to repeat the words he wrote in his *North State Journal* op-ed last month.

The job of government and our universities is not to shield individuals from speech they might find offensive, but to commit to the principles of free speech, including spontaneous demonstration and access to campus consistent with the First Amendment. Forest and fellow Republicans also have a golden opportunity to remind voters -- often -- that the bill passed into law *without* Cooper's signature. His inaction was not unintentional. Cooper didn't forget to sign it. So what was his underlying message to Democrats in North Carolina and beyond?

In its reporting on the bill's passage, Generation Opportunity state director Anna Beavon Gravely told *Carolina Journal* that it appears Cooper supports campus environments "where unelected employees of state government are able to intimidate into silence the views that are not their own."

If the sitting Governor of North Carolina believes that, it is never too early to begin working to unseat him. Let it begin now.

Resolve | January 4, 2018 at 11:47 pm | Tags: Dan Forest, First Amendment, North Carolina General Assembly, Roy Cooper, University of North Carolina | Categories: Campus Free Speech, NC Republican Party | URL: <https://wp.me/p90MXc-f1>

To submit a post to RESOLVE, please do so as an attachment by email to gop.mcrp@gmail.com. We hope you will sign up for RESOLVE to stay in touch with the important political issues of this important time in our history.

December Luncheon and Program:

President Jim Lexo called the meeting to order at noon and invited Chaplain Dubbs



to open the meeting with prayer and blessing.

Lexo then introduced



VP Programs Pat Haggerty to the podium to announce the Christmas Concert program. Haggerty invited Pinecrest High Choir Director, Erin Slenk to take the stage with the Choir members. Slenk opened by talking about the various music programs at



Pinehurst High, describing the genesis of the

Christmas Choir singers. Then the attendees were serenaded by the incredibly talented Choir members.



After the program, Haggerty took the stage again to thank the singers and present a \$300 honorarium check to Slenk.



Following the Christmas program, the singers spread out two to a table to join the attendees for lunch.



Following lunch, Rev. Dubbs offered a Christmas homily.

The 2018 officers were then sworn in as noted in the earlier newsletter article. We look forward to another successful year in 2018.



copy of this newsletter. If you want a paper copy, email or call the Newsletter Editor and ask for a copy to be mailed to you. You can also visit the Moore County Board of Elections website: www.moorecountync.gov/board-of-elections then click on the "Elected Officials" icon, then click on "View a List of Elected Officials" text.

Or, best of all, go to our MCRMC Website: <http://www.mcrmc.club/links.html> and click on "List of Moore County Elected Officials".

From Your Editor, Paul Shaffer



If you have email, you will get the newsletter only by email starting this issue. If you want a paper copy by US mail, let me know by calling or email.

There seems to be a big debate about why the Dems are so vocal about not wanting to take steps to stop illegal immigration. Additionally, they are against a plan to do away with the "Dreamers DACA" program, illegally instituted by President Obama. Many news talking heads make the point that way back to President Bill Clinton; the Dems formerly preached that we should stop illegal immigration.

Well, on the WEEB morning radio talk show, host Chris Plante made the reason crystal clear. He pointed to the following story about the Dems admitting that they expect to take power back with the votes of convicted felons and more importantly, illegals voting for the Dem's candidates. See the following story for your information and understanding:

RedState

Leaked Memo Confirms What We Already Knew About Democrats And Illegal Immigration

Posted January 9, 2018 by Susan Wright

To the surprise of absolutely no one, a leaked document from the Center For American Progress (CAP) Action Fund shows what most of us have always known, but what Democrats like to pretend isn't their reality.



Elected Officials Contact Information:

The most recent elected official contact list is attached to the email

Namely, the memo, in great detail, maps out how Democrats are relying on illegal immigration to prop up their political future.

In approaching the debate regarding “Dreamers,” and former President Obama’s executive order on DACA:

The memo, co-authored by former Clinton communications director Jennifer Palmieri, was sent around to allies calling on Democrats to “refuse to offer any votes for Republican spending bills that do not offer a fix for Dreamers and instead appropriate funds to deport them.”

I don’t know how much of a concern that is going to be. President Trump has already sat in agreement with Senators Chuck Schumer and Nancy Pelosi to protect illegals already living here, but still, Democrats are building their base.

The latest efforts in the House have come in the form of compromise bill on DACA, with the focus being on a worry over chain migration.

The memo makes it clear that Democrat interest in the poor, shadow-dwelling illegals isn’t simply from the goodness and mercy in their hearts.

“The fight to protect Dreamers is not only a moral imperative, it is also a critical component of the Democratic Party’s future electoral success,” reads Palmieri’s memo, obtained by The Daily Caller News Foundation.

Note to Democrats: If you must qualify any statement about “moral imperative” by adding what’s in it for you, then it is no longer a moral issue.

“If Democrats don’t try to do everything in their power to defend Dreamers, that will jeopardize Democrats’ electoral chances in 2018 and beyond,” reads the memo. “In short, the next few weeks will tell us a lot about the Democratic Party and its long-term electoral prospects.”

It’s a lot of emotional nonsense, regarding a problem with no easy fix. What this memo does, however, is remove the mask of altruism from the Democrat party. It really is all about votes, to them, and they don’t care how they get them.

!!!! Does this mean that our future members of Congress and our President will be elected by illegal aliens & convicted felons!!!!

From and About Members:

Bob Coates on “Pickers”

Gentlemen -

I did our Q4 pickup of Linden Road today (31 December 2017). It was very clean - only a single bag. The road continues to look great. I think there are a couple of reasons for this:

- I believe that there are dog walkers who pick things up when they are out with their pups and I know that Tom Beddow will stop if he sees anything egregious.
- The fact the we keep it clean may discourage people from discarding litter - but we may be giving folks too much credit

A couple of us clean the other sections of Linden Road and Foxfire Road and they get dirty again pretty quickly. So whatever is happening on our stretch it's all good!

Happy New Year

Harold Mendelson – Facebook Post on 11-16-17



Harold Mendelson on Facebook 1-6-18

With the new year, it's time to finish the job that we elected President Trump to do.

First off, Congress has been kicking the budget can down the road long enough. Let's get a budget passed. These continuing resolutions are really hurting our military.

After we get the new budget passed, we need to focus on two things. One is the elimination of the ACA. The idea of universal healthcare is a good thing but the ACA was and continues to be a horrible solution. There needs to be a plan that provides healthcare without it being mandatory. Also, Medicaid needs to be expanded to cover people with preexisting health conditions. Medicaid needs to be entirely funded by the Federal government.

Second issue that needs to be addressed is our nation's infrastructure. Our roads and bridges need to be fixed. There are thousands of bridges in the U.S. that need to be brought up to Federal standards. Major interstates such as I-95 need to have their rebuilding schedule moved forward. Too many roads in the U.S need to be rebuilt and have their maintenance plans accelerated so our roads can be made safe and reliable once again.

For those of us that live outside of major population centers, we have to understand the public transportation is not a luxury, it's a necessity. The present cold weather has all but cancelled airline flight to and from major population centers. Alternative means of transportation need to be not just maintained, they need to be expanded. AMTRAK needs the sustained Federal funding to not just maintained but expanded. Will trains ever be cost effective? The answer is no. AMTRAK is in the process of upgrading the rails so the new high speed train service can be examined.

**Email from Hugh Minor, et al:
Questions for the New Year**

Just a few questions as we move into the New Year

1- Since only 10 million people have ObamaCare, how will 24 million people die if it is repealed? Will 14 million people be randomly shot?

2- If Donald Trump deleted all of his emails, wiped his server with Bleach and destroyed all of his phones with a hammer, would the Mainstream Media suddenly lose all interest in the story and declare him innocent?

3- If women do the same job for less money, why do companies hire men to do the same job for more money?

4- If you rob a bank in a Sanctuary City, is it illegal or is it just an Undocumented Withdrawal?

5- Each ISIS attack now is a reaction to Trump policies, but all ISIS attacks during Obama's term were due to Climate Change and a plea for jobs.

6- After the London 'Lone Wolf' terrorist attack government officials have arrested at least eight other 'Lone Wolves' who had conspired with the original 'Lone Wolf' in planning the 'Lone Wolf' attack. Even though all involved are Muslims, you can be assured, the 'Lone Wolf' attack has nothing at all to do with Islam, just like the other 1000 plus 'Lone Wolf' attacks by Muslims are completely unassociated with Islam.

7- We should stop calling them all 'Entitlements'. Welfare, Food Stamps, WIC, are not entitlements. They are taxpayer-funded handouts, and shouldn't be called entitlements at all.. Social Security and Veterans Benefits are Entitlements because the people receiving them are entitled to them. They were earned and paid for by the recipients.

8- If Muslims want to run away from a Muslim country, does that mean they're Islamophobic?

9- If Liberals don't believe in biological gender then why did they march for women's rights?

10- How did the Russians get Debbie Wasserman Schultz and the DNC to steal the Primary from Bernie Sanders? How did Russia get Donna Brazile to leak debate questions to Hillary Clinton in advance of the debates?

11- Why is it that Democrats think Super delegates are fine, but they have a problem with the Electoral College?

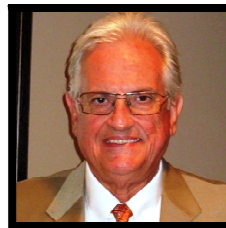
12- If you don't want the FBI involved in elections, don't nominate someone who's being investigated by the FBI.

13- If Hillary's speeches cost \$250,000 an hour, how come no one shows up to her free ones?

14- The DNC is mad at Russia because they 'think' they are trying to manipulate our election by exposing that the DNC is manipulating our election?

15- Why is it that Liberals and the Media are upset about the words Trump used 11 years ago but they are alright with Adult men using the Ladies Room with your Wives and Daughters

Felice Schillaci Letter to The Pilot:



Responding to P.Dunn 's column:

We all know that Dunn is not fond of President Trump.

Dunn does not state some important facts: that President Trump did nothing other than taking note of a decision by the Israeli Parliament and did what other US Presidents promised to do, but never did.

Our Presidents have advisors with brains and the understanding of a very complex situations. Obama had them, Bush had them, and Clinton had them. They all promised to make Jerusalem the Capital, but did not act. Why? Now President Trump acts, as he promised to do during the elections, and he is the villain, the unwise, the *reckless*. *Mr. Dunn, do you remember who said elections have consequences?*

The Israeli Parliament declared Jerusalem as the

capital of the state in 1980, thirty-two years after independence. The embassies remained in Tel Aviv, waiting for an acknowledgment by the U.N. Countries. In 1995 the United States decided to recognize Jerusalem as capital and, consequently, to transfer diplomatic representation, without paying attention to the will of the State of Israel. Clinton and the subsequent American Presidents, with demagoguery and hypocrisy, postponed the application of that law in order to preserve the ambiguous role of us, America, as a mediating power between Israelis and Palestinian. To politically judge a choice and condemn it, is a guilty expression that denies the very meaning of the action.

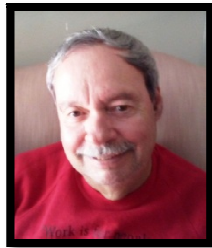
Cowardly, we the USA, with other rogue countries chose the path of ambiguity.

What does Dunn, the wise man he is, suggest to do. To kick the can down the road another 1000 years, while the United Nation continues to steal US taxpayers' money! Or could he not consider that the President's action is designed to bring all parties to the table for a quicker resolution.

2018 EC Member – Jim Legg

6 Political New Year's Resolutions You Should Make

On January 2, 2017, Sondra Clark, Managing Director of Communications and Grassroots at Heritage Action for America, wrote a commentary for The Daily Signal suggesting 6 political resolutions to consider adopting in 2017. Ms. Clark's suggestions are still relevant to consider adopting in 2018:



1. **Connect with your member of Congress:** Members of Congress are responsible and accountable to their constituents. It's important for the voter to stay up-to-date on congressional votes and issues. Sign up to get the most recent news and information from your member. Follow them on Facebook and Twitter. (Remember, many members have a personal and an official account). Subscribe to your member's email newsletters and set up a Google alert to stay up-to-date on all news from your senators and representative.
2. **Get active on Twitter:** Twitter is one of the most effective ways to get direct contact with your lawmaker. Sign up for a twitter account and set a goal of tweeting at least three times a week about articles, opinions, or votes you want your network and your member to see. If you need help getting

started, you can sign up for Heritage Action's weekly Twitter newsletter.

3. **Write a letter to the editor:** Get your name in print by writing a letter to the editor in response to an editorial or giving your unique perspective on an issue. Remember to keep it brief: It should be no longer than 250 words and focused on one particular issue. The best letters to the editor have a personal connection to the topic you are talking about. Keep the tone formal and polite. Make sure your statements can be backed up with solid evidence.
4. **Get involved locally:** No one knows the needs of your community better than you. Use the new year to find out what's happening in your political community. Attend a town hall, go to a neighborhood meeting, or join a local political group.
5. **Read a political book:** Keeping up with news is important. To understand the current news, keep things in perspective. Take time out of the 24-hour news cycle and read a historical book like "A Republic of Spin" by David Greenberg or a cultural commentary like "Hillbilly Elegy" by J.D. Vance. Check out some of The Heritage Foundation's staff recommendations on The Daily Signal.

6. **Join an activist program:** Politics can be isolating, but it's much better with a community of people. Join a local or national organization to amplify your voice and coordinate your efforts with other grassroots activists across the country. Heritage Action, the sister organization of The Heritage Foundation, has a community of over 17,500 activists that participate in weekly strategy calls. Get one-on-one training from activism coaches and the latest news from Washington, D.C. Consider joining the Heritage Action Sentinel Program today.

Let me add one more: Contact your precinct chair: Your precinct chair always needs volunteers to get the voters out. It may be making half-dozen phone calls to registered Republicans in your neighborhood; handing out sample ballots during early voting and election day; be available to drive voters to the polls. If you do not know who your precinct chair is go to this link:

[Moore County GOP - Executive Committee](#)

Being a precinct chair myself (West Aberdeen) I always welcome volunteers. Precinct meetings will be held in a few weeks. Look for notices published in the Pilot and Moore County GOP web page. Precinct meetings are where your voice will be heard. "All politics are local."

From Don Zeilstra by Email:

THE HUMAN BRAIN IS AN
AMAZING ORGAN. IT KEEPS
WORKING 24 HOURS A DAY.
7 DAYS A WEEK.
52 WEEKS A YEAR...



FROM BEFORE YOU LEAVE
THE WOMB, RIGHT UP UNTIL
YOU VOTE DEMOCRAT.

From Ed Dennison, Member of the
Moore County Board of Education:

Moore County Schools' Graduation Rate vs. The
Graduation Rate of All Students in NC.

SUBGROUP	MCS	STATE	MCS vs. State
All Students	91	86.5	4.5
Male	88.1	83.5	4.6
Female	94.2	89.7	4.5
American Indian	>95	84.3	>10.7
Asian	>95	93.8	>1.2
Black	88.6	83.9	4.7
Hispanic	84.4	80.5	3.9
Two or More Races	>95	84.3	>10.7
White	92.1	89.3	2.8
Economically Disadvantaged	82	81.8	0.2
Limited English Proficient	57.1	58	-0.9
Students with Disabilities	82.4	70.3	12.1
Academically Gifted	>95	95	>1

2018 Dues of \$25.00 Due Now

Keep your membership current by paying your 2018 dues now. Bring a \$25.00 PERSONAL check to the January 22 meeting. If you cannot come to the meeting, send your check by mail to MCRMC, PO

Box 1812, Southern Pines NC 28388. Remember to
put 2018 dues in the memo line.

This & That:



Some Red Meat:



Remember, our meeting this month is on the 4th Monday, January 22. We are meeting at CCNC with registration at 11:30am and the meeting being called to order at noon. We have another outstanding program with John Hood returning to bring us up-to-date on the latest conservative news and information. Make your reservations at www.mcrmc.club.

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