



# On The Move!

**Pinellas County Republican Executive Committee**

**Republican Party of Pinellas County**

**4707 140<sup>th</sup> Avenue N. Suite 208**

**Clearwater, FL 33762**

## **Official Call to PCREC Members**

Monday, December 10, 2007 7:00 P.M.

**Meeting: TUCSON'S**  
**13563 Icot Blvd., Clearwater, FL**

**For additional information:**

**Call: HQ — 539-6009 FAX: 536-5902**

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**Web: [www.pcrec.org](http://www.pcrec.org)**

## **CALENDAR**

### **Executive Committee Meeting – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday**

7P Tucson's, 13563 Icot Blvd., Clearwater Call: 539-6009

### **St Petersburg Republican Club – 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday**

6P Dinner 7P Meeting Picadilly Cafeteria 1900 34<sup>th</sup> St, St Pete  
Call: 526-2492

### **Central Pinellas Republican Club – 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday**

11:30A Super Buffet, Seminole Mall, 11227 Park Blvd. N.,  
Seminole Call: 397-3449

### **Suncoast Republican Women, Fed. – 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday**

11A Piccadilly Cafeteria, 1900 34<sup>th</sup> St, St Pete Call: 822-6528

### **Belleair Women's Republican Club – 1<sup>st</sup> Friday**

11:30A Wine Cellar, North Redington Bch Call: 584-4874

### **North Pinellas Republican Club – 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday**

6P Dinner-6:45P Mtg Kally K's Restaurant, Dunedin  
Call: 725-4241

### **Republican Club of Greater Largo – 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday**

6P Alfano's Restaurant 1702 Clearwater/Largo Rd, Largo  
Call: 581-0857

### **Top of the World Republican Club – 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday**

7P East Activity Center Sunset Pt Rd, Clw Call: 796-5775

### **Pinellas County Black Republican Club, - 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday**

6P Panera Bread 1914 4<sup>th</sup> St N, St. Petersburg.

For Information Call: 822-1708

### **Tarpon Springs Republican Club – 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday**

Mtg 7P Hampton Inn, 39284 US19N, Tarpon Springs  
Call: 942-8722

### **Republican Club of Greater Seminole –**

Meeting Dates to be announced Call: 397-4292

### **Greater Pinellas Young Republicans – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday**

6:30 P, Chili's Clw Call: 252-9911

## ***From the Desk of Chairman DiMatteo:***

Dear Fellow Republicans,

The holidays are upon us and this is the time of year when our focus and thoughts are on family and friends. I hope that you and yours have a GREAT! holiday season, but first; we have one more meeting in December. This meeting will feature a spokesperson from the St. Petersburg Times who will explain their editorial process, this is must see political junkie stuff so I expect a great crowd. Please SAVE THE DATE, Saturday January 26, 2008 for our annual Lincoln Day Dinner. Our dinner is just three days before Florida's all important Presidential Primary Election, and we expect an outstanding event with a nationally known guest speaker! You never know who might show up unannounced. Hope to see everyone on the second Monday.

## **IVORY CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**SATURDAY, DEC. 8**

**7:00 – 10:00**

By now, all Ivory Club members should have received their invitations, so if you did not receive yours or need further information, please call Headquarters: 539-6009. This is also the number to call if you are interested in joining the Ivory Club. We look forward to seeing you for an evening of fun, food and friendship!

## **PCREC Board**

**Tony DiMatteo**, Chairman

**Neil Brickfield**, Vice Chairman

**Glen Schultz**, Secretary

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**Nancy J. Riley**, State Committeewoman

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## PRESIDENT BUSH'S TAKE ON TAXES

President Bush is working hard to keep taxes low for American taxpayers. If Congressional Democrats allow the President's tax relief to expire, **EVERY** American who pays taxes will face a tax increase:

- The average taxpayer with children would see their taxes raised by \$500 per child.
- A family of four making \$60,000 a year would face, on average, a tax increase of more than \$1,800 a year.
- Around 26 million small business owners would suffer, on average, a tax increase of more than \$4,000 a year.
- 5 million low-income Americans who currently do not pay taxes would be forced to once again pay taxes.

Let your senators and representatives know just how you feel about such issues by contacting the U.S. Capitol at 1-877-762-8762, which is a toll-free number.

Source: GOP.com

## PROPERTY TAX-CUT IMPLEMENTING BILL

Florida's Governor, Charlie Crist, on November 13, signed into law a bill that would implement property tax cuts if voters approve a proposed state constitutional amendment that is on the Jan. 29 presidential primary ballot. The amendment, which the legislature approved Oct. 29 during a special session, has four parts, including an increased homestead exemption expected to save the average homeowner \$2,400 a year. It would double the existing \$25,000 homestead exemption for primary homes but only for non-school taxes. A "portability" provision would allow homesteaders to take existing SAVE OUR HOMES benefits along when they move. SAVE OUR HOMES limits annual assessment increases to 3 percent but only for primary homes. Another provision would provide businesses, second homes and rental properties a similar cap of 10%. Finally, the amendment would give businesses a \$25,000 exemption on equipment and other personal property. This is a good start, but we should all actively communicate that we expect even more property tax relief to be forthcoming, especially if property insurance rates continue to rise.

Source: RPOF.org

## PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY

Jan. 29, 2007: Presidential Preference Primary

Registration Deadline: December 31, 2007

## FLORIDA'S GAMING COMPACT

Last month, Florida's Governor, Charlie Crist, joined Mitchell Cypress, chairman of the Seminole Tribe of Florida, to sign a gaming compact. Governor Crist authorized his staff to enter into negotiations with the tribe to achieve three main goals:

- Maximizing the revenue the state receives.
- Minimizing the future expansion of gambling activity.
- Ensuring appropriate safeguards are in place to protect consumers.

Source: RPOF.org

## FLORIDA'S FIRST BLACK REPUBLICAN CONFERENCE

November 16th marked a first for Florida because it was the date of Florida's first Black Republican Conference. Governor Crist joined nationally known black Republicans such as Fox News analyst and *Bamboozled* author Angela McGlowan and Lynn Swann, the former Pittsburgh Steelers star who lost Pennsylvania's gubernatorial race in 2006, in addressing about 200 African Americans, almost all of them registered Republicans, at Rosen Creek Resort in Orlando. Governor Crist delivered the keynote address and met with community and party leaders at the conference, which was organized by the Republican Party of Florida.

Source: RPOF.org

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT HEADQUARTERS

Volunteers are currently needed at Republican Headquarters to help with data entry, so anyone with entry level computer skills should contact, Marilyn, to let her know your availability. Hours of operation: M-Th (9-2) and Fridays (9-noon). Just a couple hours of your time can really make a difference, and please spread the word.

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## NEWSLETTER EDITOR NEWSFLASH

The Pinellas County Republican Party's newsletter editor and consummate conservative, Charlotte Smith, has very recently graced another state with her positively purposeful presence, which is their rich gain and our great loss. Our county has been so very blessed by her very informative newsletters for the last two years, due to her utterly awesome dedication to promoting a politically educated Republican electorate that can increase our numbers by boldly enlightening others. In addition to her newsletter service, she volunteered weekly at Headquarters for the past three years in various capacities. One such duty was her procurement and data entry of e-mail addresses because she had a very visionary mission to persevere in her efforts to get as many Pinellas Republican e-mail addresses as possible into our database. She consistently communicated the mega importance of this task because she profoundly recognized how absolutely vital it is to our political success that we be able to instantly inform Republican voters regarding all election activities and rally their support. Charlotte also very ably contributed to our local Republican community in her roles as Communications Chairman and Ivory Club Chairman, and her sacrificial service should motivate each and every one of us to try and follow in her incredibly inspiring footsteps. Charlotte, our Party will be eternally grateful for all you have done for us, and I will do my very best to preserve the integrity of your newsletter endeavor until you can return to your labor of love.

## HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Wishing Pinellas County Republicans a very Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukah, and a wonderful New Year that includes victory in '08! At this very special time of year, we especially want to express our most heartfelt gratitude to our troops and their families for their profound sacrifice in leading America to victory in a vital battleground in the war on terror.

## CLUBS' CORNER

The importance of Pinellas County having thriving Republican clubs cannot be emphasized enough, especially in a presidential election cycle. If you are not already a member of at least one, please pursue the possibility of joining by contacting the club membership liaisons listed in this newsletter, and encourage everyone in your sphere of influence to follow your lead. Club presidents are encouraged to contact me at: [mmoser7@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:mmoser7@tampabay.rr.com) with information in need of greater dissemination, so look to this newsletter's Club Corner column for club related news.

## WHAT'S HILLARY HIDING ???

Questions remain regarding Diane Blair's report, which is now remaining in library lockdown until 2009, even

though it was previously set for release. The Arkansas Democrat Gazette notes that the University of Arkansas' Diane Blair Report on the 1992 Clinton campaign includes an extensive collection of interviews and research. On the campaign trail, Hillary Clinton consistently speaks to her level of experience; yet, she will not allow details of that experience to be reviewed by the public. Americans deserve to know what information is being guarded, so let's tell Hillary that she can not continue to hide her record. There's a goal to have thousands of people sign a petition before December 31, 2007, in hopes that it will inspire Hillary as her New Year's resolution to agree to share the library documents, especially since there are more than 97 million documents and e-mails being kept under lock and key. You can sign the Library Lockdown petition at: [www.clintonlibrarycard.com](http://www.clintonlibrarycard.com), and don't forget to forward the link to your friends and family.

Source: Cyrus Krohn, RNC eCampaign Director

## PINELLAS COUNTY REPUBLICAN WEBSITE

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