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MONDAY
March 12, 2018

Pinellas County
Republican Executive
Committee Meeting

6 PM Defending America Video
Member Orientation
Member Training

7 PM Meeting Begins

Feather Sound Country Club
2201 Feather Sound Drive
Clearwater, FL 33762

PCREC OFFICE HOURS
9 AM to 2 PM
Monday—Friday

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It is hard to believe it is already March. The sun is shining, the birds are singing and baseball is in the air. Our state legislature is wrapping up its annual session. And President Donald Trump keeps winning. It is a good time to be a Republican as we see improved poll numbers and more legislative success from the Trump administration. Donald Trump is doing what is right for America, and he will be reelected in 2020.

Locally, we are seeing campaigns start to heat up with numerous candidates already out knocking on doors. This is important because the Democrats are going to be working hard to win in November, so it is good that we are starting early. Please contact our office to learn how to get involved with these campaigns.

Our Annual Lincoln Day Dinner will be coming up soon. We are working on a nationally recognized speaker who you will not want to miss. You can reserve tables and tickets now to be sure you don’t miss out.

It has been two weeks since the Parkland school shooting. A tragedy like this should not happen in our schools. We must do more to protect our most vulnerable. That is why I am grateful we have leaders like Governor Rick Scott, Senator Marco Rubio and President Donald Trump who respect the 2nd Amendment and are committed to common sense gun control that does not infringe on our right to bear arms. These leaders also recognize the necessity of improved mental health care and screenings that could have prevented this tragedy. God Bless the families of the 17 people lost in Parkland.

As always, thank you for your service to the Republican Party. We could not have such a strong party without you, and I am honored to be your Chairman.

Nick DiCeglie

Chairman, Pinellas Republican Party

Notes from the PCREC secretary:



May God help our country

Once again, another horrific act against humanity has happened in our schools. A mass shooting that left 17 high school children dead and many injured is now being debated as to why it happened. Fingers and blame are being pointed in all directions. To politicize tragedy is not addressing the core of this problem. It is, in fact, effecting the opposite. Is gun control, despite statistics showing otherwise, the answer, or should we not focus upon who pulled the trigger? The Parkland Marjorie Douglas Stoneman High School murderer will have to account for the treacherous evil he inflicted upon others. He will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law, and he will pay his debt to society.

The prevalence of social media, minus parental guidance, has served only to further alienate young people from one another, ultimately fostering social isolation and thereby creating a breeding ground for acts of hatred. The nuclear family is in a state of disrepair. Gone are the days, for many, when families would sit together at the dinner table and engage actively with one another. Gone are the days when we could decipher right from wrong without being accused of political incorrectness.

Now we are seeing the possibility of having armed guards and metal detectors stationed at every school in America in order to keep our children safe. Although now needed, they will never be the ultimate substitute for nurturing parental guidance and healthy communication. I ask for God's blessings for our children and for our country.

—Pam McAloon

Congress must deliver on immigration reform

Congress has to deliver on immigration reform, two leaders of the House Freedom Caucus said at the annual Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC).

"We've got to do what we told the American people we were going to do and what the mandate of the 2016 election was all about," Rep. Jim Jordan, R-Ohio, a former chairman of the group of House conservatives, told the CPAC crowd.

"And that is border security law first, then [end] chain migration, stop the visa lottery, get rid of sanctuary cities, do all those things, and that's got to get done," Jordan said.

Rep. Mark Meadows, R-N.C., current chairman of the House Freedom Caucus, said he supports the immigration reform bill proposed by Judiciary Chairman Bob Goodlatte, R-Va. That bill, Jordan said, also prioritizes his own list of "border security, chain migration, sanctuary cities, [and the] visa lottery."

Meadows called the immigration debate a "defining moment" for Congress and its leadership, which he said he meant "plurally" and not limited to the small leadership teams under House Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis., and Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky. "What we have to do is show real leadership, and if we cave, the American people will remember, you will remember, in November—and you know what, you should," Meadows said.

"More work needs to be done. We have repealed the individual mandate in Obamacare," Jordan said at one point, "but there's more we've got to do to keep our word with the American people."

The Ohio Republican said President Donald Trump supports sweeping immigration reforms, and lawmakers need to deliver on their promises to achieve such reforms.

"The president is there, so let's just keep focusing on those things that we told [voters] we were going to do. They gave us the privilege to go and serve them; let's get those things done," Jordan said.

(The Daily Signal, 02/23/2018, "Congress Must 'Show Leadership' in Reforming Immigration, 2 Lawmakers Tell CPAC")









**REPUBLICAN PARTY OF FLORIDA
QUARTERLY MEETING**



**FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, APRIL 6 & 7
DOUBLETREE HOTEL (near Westshore Mall)
4500 WEST CYPRESS STREET, TAMPA
9 AM – 6 PM**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS—MARCH 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 BWRC	3
4	5	6 PCYR	7	8	9	10
11 	12 PCREC	13 RCTS RRRCTOW	14 SPRC	15 CPRC NPRC	16	17 
18	19 RCGL	20 	21	22	23	24
25 	26	27 SLRC	28	29	30 	31 

BELLEAIR WOMEN'S REPUBLICAN CLUB (1st Friday of the Month) **FRIDAY March 2 11:30 AM**
 Guest Speaker: State Committeewoman Nancy Riley
 Location: Belleair Country Club, 1 Country Club Lane, Belleair
 Contact: President Doris Kasold (703) 517-6770 Doriskasold@gmail.com www.BelleairWomensRepublicanClub.com

CENTRAL PINELLAS REPUBLICAN CLUB (3rd Thursday of the Month) **THURSDAY March 15 11:30 AM**
 Guest Speaker: Mark Phillips, GOP Faith Engagement *note date change for March*
 Location: 9100 113th Street North, Room 210, Seminole Contact: President Barbara Stephens (727) 397-3449 barbarasteve2@yahoo.com

HISPANIC REPUBLICAN CLUB & OUTREACH OF PINELLAS COUNTY
 Contact: President Chely Hernandez-Miller (727) 434-4008 HRCPC08@aol.com

NORTH PINELLAS REPUBLICAN CLUB (3rd Thursday of the Month) **THURSDAY March 15 6 PM**
 Guest Speaker: Florida Representatives Chris Sprowls and Jamie Grant - Legislative Update
 Location: Leo's Italian Grill, 33286 US 19 N, Palm Harbor 34684
 Contact: Ron Walker (727) 639-1511 northpinellasrepublicanclub@gmail.com

PINELLAS COUNTY REPUBLICAN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (2nd Monday of the Month) **MONDAY March 12 7 PM**
 Guest Speaker: TBA
 Location: Feather Sound Country Club, 2201 Feather Sound Drive, Clearwater 33762
 Contact: Charlotte Smith (727) 539-6009 info@PinellasRepublicans.com www.PinellasRepublicans.com

PINELLAS COUNTY YOUNG REPUBLICANS (1st Tuesday of the Month) **TUESDAY March 6 7 PM**
 Guest Speaker: Pinellas County Property Appraiser Mike Twitty
 Location: St. Petersburg Yacht Club, 11 Central Ave, St. Petersburg, FL 33701
 Contact: Tyler Payne (727) 204-0143 president@pcyrs.com

PINELLAS SUNCOAST BLACK REPUBLICAN CLUB
 Contact: President Sheila Griffin (727) 373-3847 psbrclf@yahoo.com

REPUBLICAN CLUB OF GREATER LARGO (3rd Monday of the Month) **MONDAY March 19 7 PM**
 Guest Speaker: TBA
 Location: Alfano's Restaurant, 1702 Clearwater Largo Road, Clearwater, FL 33756
 Contact: Kimberly Berfield (727) 244-8947 kimberlybrfield@yahoo.com <http://largorepublicans.com>

REPUBLICAN CLUB OF TARPON SPRINGS (2nd Tuesday of the Month) **TUESDAY March 13 6:30 PM**
 Guest Speaker: Workshop
 Location: Queen's Pizza, 40949 US Hwy 19 North, Tarpon Springs, FL
 Contact: President Chris Paras (727) 518-5316 proudamerican199@yahoo.com

RONALD REAGAN REPUBLICAN CLUB OF TOP OF THE WORLD (2nd Tuesday of the Month) **TUESDAY March 13 7 PM**
 Guest Speaker: Pinellas County Sheriff Bob Gualtieri
 Location: Craft Room WEST Activity Center, Top of the World
 Contact: Don Dinello (727) 242-1825 ddinello@msn.com

ST. PETERSBURG REPUBLICAN CLUB (2nd Wednesday of the Month) **WEDNESDAY March 14 7 PM**
 Guest Speaker: Pinellas County Commissioner Dave Eggers
 Location: St. Petersburg Community Church, 4501 30th Avenue North, St. Petersburg 33713
 Contact: President Gail Hebert (727) 526-2492 SPRC@PinellasRepublicans.com

SUNRISE LEADERSHIP REPUBLICAN CLUB (4th Tuesday of the Month) **TUESDAY March 27 7:30 AM**
 Guest Speaker: Terry Power, Candidate for Florida House, Dist. 64
 Location: Perkins Restaurant, 2626 Gulf to Bay Blvd., Clearwater 33759
 Contact: President Bruce Rector (727) 507-1710 brucerector@aol.com

TAMPA BAY TRUMP REPUBLICAN CLUB (3rd Tuesday Every Other Month) **TUESDAY APRIL 17 6:30 PM**
 Guest Speaker: No Meeting (Next Meeting is on April 17)
 Location: Mugs Sports Bar & Grill, 13563 Icot Blvd., Clearwater 33760
 Contact: President James Stratton (727) 410-6758 tampabaytrumpclub@gmail.com Facebook: Tampa Bay Trump Club

Make or break year—this is war!

2018 represents a make or break year for the progressive/liberal agenda. If they fail to retake Congress, in either chamber, the Dems will be unable to stop President Trump in 2020. As such, they are desperate for a victory and will go to any length to achieve one, whether it is legal or not. The left and their media lapdogs will undoubtedly be pulling out all the stops. No, they will certainly not be playing fair; they are at war.

Their hatred for the president is nothing more than a campaign tactic. This is why they will never find anything positive to say about him and resist him. It is not in their best interest to allow another Trump victory like the tax reform legislation.

By vilifying Mr. Trump, they hope to associate our Congressional candidates with him. If Republican candidates renounce the President out of fear, the Democrats win. Instead, they have to jump on the Trump Train.

It is time to fight back with the same ferocity the left is exhibiting.

This country cannot afford to revert back to the rule of the Democrats.

Three steps are required:

1. Get organized—this includes forming committees with leaders and workers who will assume responsibility and possess a sense of urgency. These committees need to learn to network and find ways to work together, not apart.

Communications are vital, whether it be through a web site, e-mail blasts, telephone calls, podcasts or a regularly produced newsletter.

Our management philosophy should be simple: Give clear assignments, delegate responsibility and get out of the way. In other words, learn to MANAGE FROM THE BOTTOM-UP.

2. Enlist recruits—not just volunteers to serve on committees but to register people to legally vote. For those who wish to vote in person, as opposed to absentee ballot, make arrangements to get them to their precinct.

3. Let your voice be heard—whether it is through advertising,

sign waving, speeches or writing campaigns. More importantly, take the fake news to task as the media spreads the lies of the Left. Write to them and correct their inaccuracies.

It may even be necessary to picket their offices. It's been done at CNN in Atlanta, how about at the Tampa Bay Times? The other media outlets would find this very newsworthy.

In all of your dealings with the public and the news media, do not lie, cheat or defraud; that's what the Liberals do. It is not worth lowering yourself to their level. Handle yourself professionally and with dignity, thereby becoming a model for others to emulate.

Do not make light of this election. The work you do here is incredibly important, as we have desperate opponents who will stoop to any level to get their way.

No, the kid gloves are off. It's time to put the Dems on the defensive, starting with each of us making a commitment and working bottom-up.

—Tim Bryce www.timbryce.com

Defending America with Newt Gingrich

A six-lesson course to defend America from the Left

PCREC is offering Defending America with Newt Gingrich lessons at 6 P.M. prior to monthly PCREC meetings. The first lesson, Defending America from the Multicultural Disaster, which was presented in February, was well received by those in attendance.

The March 12 lesson will be Defending Faith Based America from Secular Tyranny. Anyone interested is invited to attend and to bring a friend to learn

these lessons which are essential to preserving our way of life.

The America we love is under attack. The radical Left is waging cultural wars across the country, threatening to erase our history and fundamentally change our nation. Defending our Constitution and protecting the principles that guided our Founding fathers will be one of the fights of our lifetime. The Left is not going to give up. We can't either!

Pinellas County Republican Executive Committee
Ivory Club
Spring Fling
Saturday, March 10, 2018
4 PM – 7 PM
Hosted By:
Ava Lawrence & Marc Silver
3626 Arbor Chase Drive
Palm Harbor 34683
Indoor-Outdoor Cocktail Party
RSVP no later than Monday, March 5th
PCREC headquarters (727)539-6009
Non-member guests Welcome ~ \$50 guest fee
Attire: Cocktail Casual

Membership initiative launches March 8

The Republican Party of Pinellas County has launched its 2018 membership initiative. The first event will be held at Courtside Grille, located at 110 Fountain Parkway North, St. Petersburg/Carillon, on Thursday, March 8, from 6—8 PM. Members of PCREC are being encouraged to bring someone they know who has been vocal about getting involved in local Republican efforts. The idea is



Adam McGill Ross

New historical committee seeks help with its collection mission

In an effort to compile the history of the Republican Party in Pinellas County, a PCREC Historical Committee has been organized. The team of sleuths consists of Joan Brock, Gail Hebert, Ron Walker, Ginny Stewart and Charlotte Smith. They are currently collecting printed materials and records from as many sources as possible and will start to collate all the documents once a sufficient number of items has been accumulated.

The committee needs everyone's help. Those who have or know someone else who has knowledge, records, newspaper articles, photographs and/ or memorabilia regarding the Party's formative years, are being asked to please contact a committee member. This includes items from Lincoln Day Dinners, Ivory Club socials, Reagan Day Dinners and/ or other fundraisers that might have been tried over the years. The committee meets at PCREC headquarters every other Wednesday at 1 PM. Anyone wishing to share materials or information is welcome to attend.



PCREC Historical Committee members, from left, Ron Walker, Joan Brock, Charlotte Smith and Gail Hebert gather at PCREC headquarters to begin their research into PCREC's past.

to begin this year's initiative to build membership with those people who know and already support PCREC. At the event, information will be provided to potential members about the various meetings, functions and outreach available through PCREC.

The Republican Party of Pinellas County's Membership Committee has a new member, Adam McGill Ross, to help lead the way with PCREC Vice Chairman Todd Jennings. There is only one goal in mind: to increase membership for PCREC. The event on March 8 is just the beginning of an effort that will continue throughout 2018 and the years to come!

Adam Ross is a resident of Clearwater. He began working in Republican politics as a College Republican, and he has been involved in local Florida House and judicial races for several years. Adam also brings with him a diversified professional background. He started his career on Wall Street at Lek Securities Corporation at One Liberty Plaza in Manhattan. Upon completion of law school, Adam began to work as an Assistant State Attorney in 2011 and currently works for State Attorney, Bernie McCabe.



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Pinellas County Republican Executive Committee
4707 140th Avenue North, Suite 208
Clearwater, FL 33762



Frederick "Fred" Dudley

December 2, 1932 - January 24, 2018

Precinct 125 Committeeman

Fred Dudley was an Army Veteran of the Korean War and served in the Army Reserves for over 17 years. He was a member of the VFW and the American Legion. Professionally, Fred

was in sales and owned his own printing business.

Fred had an uninhibited zest for life, always seeking new adventures and relationships. He was the youngest person to run the Boston Marathon, travelled to Cuba before Castro took power, and never let age or tradition define or limit him. In 2011, Fred decided to fulfill a lifetime dream by going to Culinary School to become a certified chef. After successfully completing Culinary School Fred decided to go back to college to finish his degree.

Fred was an active member of Pinellas County Republican Executive Committee, a political pundit on a multitude of topics (He considered himself a staunch conservative and would make sure you knew it!) and an avid campaigner who took extreme pride in the political careers of his brother and nephew. His passion for politics was very evident throughout his life.

Fred loved all music, but especially opera, and was a voracious reader. He loved laughter, animals, family and was rarely seen without a smile on his face. Fred was a presence, and he will be missed greatly.

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Attention PCREC Members:

RPOF County Model Constitution: Section 4—Removal for Non-Attendance at County Executive Committee Meetings
(a) A county executive committee member who is absent for three (3) consecutive regular meetings without a valid excuse shall be removed from the County Executive committee as of the date of the third consecutive missed meeting.