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**Merry Christmas from the Deplorable Republican Babes**

## A Letter from AFSWFLC President Terry Angley

Dear America First Members,

Merry Christmas. This is your president Terry Angley. I'm looking forward to a wonderful Christmas season, and I know you are, too.

We have a Christmas party on December 10th at Hotel Venezia. Grab your tickets while they are still available. We have a wonderful buffet with two hot dishes, numerous sides and salads and a separate chef-made dessert table. Enjoy live, professional entertainment and a Christmas singalong. That's the big, fun news.

Then we roll into January, and the Supervisor of Elections, Ron Turner, is coming to speak to tell us about the 2026 elections.

At the top of the ticket we have the gubernatorial race that will head it off. But there are so many other races that we don't always know about in the four cities in Sarasota County, and they impact us. I know many of us live in the City of Venice, and we need to pay attention there as well as our surrounding cities of North Port, Sarasota and Longboat Key, which is partially in Sarasota County.

Then rolling into February there are two County Commission elections with Joe Neunder in District 4 and two candidates in District 2. We will have Joe in to speak. I'm working with some gubernatorial candidates for March.

So, we have a lot going on. We have a big election year. For those who are able and capable, we will need your help. We'll have red tents, phone banking; you name it, we will have it all for you. So, with your dedicated work, we're going to win.

Let's go America First. Merry Christmas.

Terry Angley, President AFSWFLC

## AFSWFLC's Annual Christmas Luncheon

**December 10, 2025**, is this month's AFSWFLC meeting, which is the annual Christmas Luncheon. This year it's held at Hotel Venezia, 425 U.S. 41 N. Venice 34285 941-308-7700. We have a deadline for reservations coming in a few days.

<https://www.hotelveneziafl.com/location.php>

Purchase your tickets here: <https://americafirstswflc.org/christmas-luncheon>



*America First SWFLC  
&  
Sarasota MAGA Patriots*

Join Us For A



*Christmas*  
**LUNCHEON**

**\$55.00 per person**

Wed Dec 10, 2025 11:30am

**Buffet ■ Cash Bar ■ Entertainment**



**Hotel Venezia**



**425 US 41 Bypass North, Venice, FL 34285**

## 'Rules for RINOs: Alinsky Tactics to Fight Republicans In Name Only

Best-selling author Cathi Chamberlain, our November speaker, gave us tips for the battle plan to save the Republic—one RINO at a time.



**!Author/Speaker**

**(727) 320-7746**

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In Florida, she said that she and many others are being suspended or purged from the Republican Party county Executive Committees for doing what our President Trump has asked us to do.

Cathi started a coalition of groups in July 2025: the APEC - American Patriot Executive Committee. Her goal is to have at least one representative join from each MAGA or America First group like ours in the State. **APEC plans another rally and press conference January 29, 2026, specifically to bring attention to President Trump's daughter-in-law, Laura Trump, who is scheduled as the featured speaker.**

Join the Thursday, December 4, ZOOM meeting by sending an email to Cathi Chamberlain at: [cathi.rulesforrinos@gmail.com](mailto:cathi.rulesforrinos@gmail.com) See below for more information.

## Charter Review Board

**Jose Jimenez, our CRB member from District 5, reminded members how important it is to show up at CRB meetings to let board members know citizens are paying attention to their decisions.**

Meetings of the Sarasota County Charter Review Board (CRB) will be held at the Sarasota County Administration Center, 1660 Ringling Boulevard, Sarasota and at the Robert L. Anderson Administration Center, 4000 S. Tamiami Trail, Venice. Meetings are held in January, May and October. **941-861-5000**

**[Jose.jimenez@scgcrb.net](mailto:Jose.jimenez@scgcrb.net)**

## **Sarasota School Board Meetings**

The board has recently changed the meeting times for board meetings from 6:00 p.m. to **10:00 a.m.**, a decision that has drawn mixed reactions from the public. This change was approved by the board, with members Vice Chair Robyn Marinelli, Karen Rose, and Chair Bridget Zeigler supporting the move, while Tom Edwards and Liz Barker dissented, citing concerns about reduced public attendance, particularly from working parents, students, and teachers. The board's next regular meeting is scheduled for December 16, then January 14, 2026.

**To email all School Board members:**

[schoolboardmembers@sarasotacountyschools.net](mailto:schoolboardmembers@sarasotacountyschools.net)

<https://catholicvote.org/report-public-school-enrollment-across-country-in-freefall/>

## **Sarasota Memorial Hospital Board Meetings**

There is a closed meeting on December 16, 2025. Contact Lisa Roulet [lisaroulet@proton.me](mailto:lisaroulet@proton.me) for any information.

Vic Rohe on the Hospital Board, announced breaking ground on the new hospital in North Port on Sumpter Blvd.

## **Michelle Pozzie - Candidate for School Board**

**Michelle Pozzie** - Is a candidate for Sarasota County School Board District 5 to replace Karen Rose who was appointed by Gov. DeSantis to fill the vacancy of Tim Enos. She has been active going to school board meetings and speaking there for many years. The Mission Statement for Sarasota County Schools: Engage, elevate, and empower every student, every day!

## **The John Birch Society**

The JBS provides many easy-to-read brochures to hand out to reach others and to take back control of Congress.

**Educational Materials** - books; literature; the *New American Magazine* - a monthly printed and online publication with timely articles about current events

<https://thenewamerican.com/> **SUBSCRIBE**

**Action Alerts** - personal notifications via email or phone with details on critical upcoming legislation.  
Action Alerts, available regardless of membership, contain a link to automatically contact your representatives. Sign up at: <https://jbs.org/subscribe/> Be informed and SUBSCRIBE.

**A Scorecard** - a voting record score of Congresspersons based on legislative adherence to the U.S. Constitution <https://thenewamerican.com/freedom-index/report/scorecard-119-1/>

Many such tools are provided for free to non-members.

<https://www.congress.gov/bill/119th-congress/house-bill/3245>

Take advantage of these free tools to educate the low information voters.

## Call to Action

**Support H.R.3245** - The American Privacy Restoration Act

**IMPORTANT: Contact our representatives with regard to H.R.3245 — a bill to repeal The USA PATRIOT Act, a.k.a. the “American Privacy Restoration Act,” introduced by Representative Anna Paulina Luna (R-FL-13) Call House Representatives and Greg Steube at 202-224-3121**

<https://www.congress.gov/bill/119th-congress/house-bill/3245>

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Join the Thursday, December 4, ZOOM meeting by sending an email to Cathi Chamberlain at: [cathi.rulesforrinos@gmail.com](mailto:cathi.rulesforrinos@gmail.com)

Dr. Sirena Pellarolo is inviting you to a scheduled ZOOM meeting.

Topic: ZOOM Meeting

Time: **Dec. 4, 2025**, 7:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join ZOOM Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6138454320?omn=82582442434>

Meeting ID: 613 845 4320

## Call to Action

### Sarasota Memorial Invites ACOG (the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists) CEO to Speak

The CEO of ACOG, Sandra E. Brooks, MD, is coming to SMH to train medical personnel regarding abortion, and it's totally unacceptable. **We need to show up and voice our objection to this abomination.**

**When:** Friday, **December 5, 11:15 am.**

**Where:** Outside SMH's Kolschowsky Research and Education Institute, [1880 Arlington Street, Sarasota](#) (A new building on the SMH campus several steps south of the main hospital). Additional details are on the attached flyer.

\* <https://www.acog.org/contact/media-center/abortion-language-guide>

\*\* <https://www.acog.org/news/news-articles/2024/04/floridas-impending-six-week-abortion-ban-should-motivate-voters>

### Nominations for 2026 AFSWFLC Officers

Mike Stephenson was nominated for President, Tom Babicz was nominated for first Vice President and John Hallowell was nominated for Second Vice President. The office of Secretary is still available for a dynamic volunteer. In January nominations will be held. Seriously consider running for the Secretary's office.

### Offices Up for Election in 2026

#### Federal

U.S. Representative, 17th Congressional District

#### State

Governor, Lt. Governor, Cabinet Members (Attorney General, Chief Financial Officer, and Commissioner of Agriculture), State Senate District 22, 73rd House District, 74th House District, 75th House District

#### County

County Commissioner Districts 2 and 4

Charter Review Board District 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

Hospital Board Northern District Seats 1 and 2

Hospital Board Central District Seat 2

Hospital Board Southern District Seats 1 and 2

**School Board District 1, 4 and 5** (This is THE CRITICAL RACE!) -as of this date, vote for Robyn Marinelli and Michelle Pozzie.

Judicial – Numerous

## **Sarasota County Commission District 2 Challenger for Mark Smith-R**

**A Republican challenger** to incumbent Sarasota County Commissioner Mark Smith, District 2, has emerged in the 2026 race. Kristina Sargent, an attorney and former prosecutor in Baltimore and Sarasota, has filed for the Primary.

In addition to being an attorney and former prosecutor, Kristina Sargent served 15 years in the Army National Guard, rising to the rank of sergeant. She retired from the Guard in April 2021.

Sargent moved to Sarasota during the height of COVID-19 in September 2021, taking a job in the State Attorney's Office. In September 2025 Sargent joined the law firm of Burger, Meyer & D'Angelo.

Unlike the 2024 election with no Democrat opposition for three district seats, whomever emerges from the District 2 Republican primary will face a general election opponent. Andrew Bevan has filed for the Democrat nomination.

<https://www.yourobservers.com/news/2025/oct/16/challenger-sarasota-county-commission-district-two/>

Visit [RightVotes.com](https://www.RightVotes.com) for Conservative Voting Information



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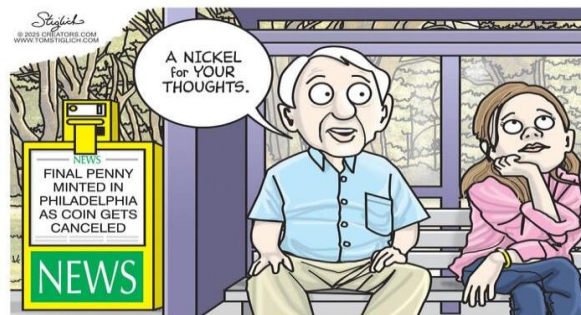
Click the link to join our club's Telegram social media messenger.

[https://t.me/+ixEA4y\\_ep94wNTkx](https://t.me/+ixEA4y_ep94wNTkx)

## The US made its final penny.

The Philadelphia Mint will strike its last batch of one-cent coins on November 19 after more than 230 years of production. The coins will remain in circulation but the phase-out has already prompted businesses to start adjusting prices, as they say pennies are becoming harder to find.

The government says the move will save about \$56m a year. Pennies, which honor Civil War president Abraham Lincoln and are made of copper-plated zinc, today cost nearly four cents each to make — more than twice the cost of a decade ago, according to the Treasury Department.



## Donations and Volunteers Are Needed

We appreciate and welcome volunteers' **stamp** donations for our mission to reach new registered Republicans. We have a total of **162,414** total active registered Republican voters as of 10/23/2025. Our outreach program has welcomed over 10,000 newly registered Republican voters to Sarasota County. **First class stamps are \$.78.**

## Please Donate to the Lawfare Suit

<http://www.americafirstswflc.org>

**LEGAL DONATIONS** \*Please make checks payable to AMERICA FIRST SWFLCAUCUS and mail to: AFSWFLC. PO Box 352, Venice, FL 34285

**America First SWFLC** website: <http://www.americafirstswflc.org> Visit the website to see our pictures and newsletters, plus updates throughout the month.

## Call Our Officials

<b>Gov. DeSantis</b>	<b>850-717-9337</b>
<b>Sen. Rick Scott</b>	<b>202-224-5274</b>
<b>Sen. Ashley Moody</b>	<b>202-224-3041</b>
<b>Rep. Greg Steube</b>	<b>202-225-5792</b>
<b>Fiona McFarland</b>	<b>941-361-2465</b>
<b>James Buchanan</b>	<b>941-429-4560</b>
<b>Danny Nix</b>	<b>941-899-0810</b>

## Legislation on Florida Bills

The season is starting soon, and to keep you informed here is some information.

**Watch tracked bills:** <https://flsenate.gov>

Meredyth Morrow 908-343-5104 and Andy Dubois 352-933-6353  
andy@libertycitizen.com

The 2A group is working on bills to get supported. - **this takes action from the members to call and set appointments**- contact Kevin McAuliffe to get involved.  
401-924-1744 [km727@aol.com](mailto:km727@aol.com)

**FastDemocracy** <mailto:notifications@fastdemocracy.com> Sign up to get House and Senate bill updates.

**Our goals are:** 1. SOE must verify citizenship, 2. Continue cleaning up voter rolls, 3. More in-depth audits of election machines as well as precinct and count options, 4. Tighten VBM requests.

**Lobby Days in Tallahassee are January 21 & 22, 2026. Plan to go.**

**Defend Florida has Voter Integrity ZOOM calls on Tuesday nights at 7pm.** [DefendFlorida.org](https://DefendFlorida.org)

**Citizens Renewing America Alliance** Phone call every Thursday, 5-5:30 pm  
<https://slingof david.com/signup> 4919 Pass WG8Fw2

### **MAKE CONTACT: Congress at your Fingertips**

If you call 877-827-3321 you can get the ***Congress at your Fingertips*** book for \$20. You can then call any governor, Senator or Representative directly. You should call, too: **202-225-5792**. Tamzin Rosenwasser



Merry Christmas  
AFSWFLC

Surround yourself with light, love,  
laughter and family. Let the spirit of  
the season wrap you in joy and forever  
memories.

## **Rick Ross Pens a Letter to the *Gondolier* Editor**

The November 8th issue of the *Venice Gondolier* featured a commentary by Elliott Gorn from Chicago. He claims that the Republicans are responsible for the government shutdown and should “Wear It”. His rationale for blaming Republicans is because they would not change the Big Beautiful Bill Act to add 1.4 trillion dollars in additional spending for Democrat projects like subsidies for Obamacare and other liberal wish list activities.

Congressional laws enacted via our constitutional process should not be changed based upon extortion threats to shut down the government made by the party that disagrees with the law. In the past, Democrat majorities passed laws that Republicans did not like but they accepted the laws because they were legally enacted. For example: In 2022 the Democrats oversaw the Presidency and the Legislature. They passed the Inflation Reduction Act by a slim margin which increased government spending by billions of dollars for Democrat endorsed programs. Republicans knew that increased spending on these programs would not reduce inflation ... inflation would increase and it did.

But, according to our Constitution, the Democrat Legislature had the right to pass the Inflation Reduction Act. The proper recourse for the Republicans was to win the 2024 election and then enact laws that the citizens wanted. They achieved that goal with a major win for Donald Trump and control of both Houses. The Big Beautiful Bill Act included many of the platform promises made to citizens who voted for a major change in Washington.

So how did the Democrats react to the passage of the Big Beautiful Bill Act? They demanded that it be changed to meet their terms or they would shut down the government! That is not how our Constitutional Republic works! Thank God, the Republicans did not allow extortion to succeed!

So, I say to Elliott Gorn and the readers of your paper: Democrats: “Wear It”.  
Richard Ross

**Spend Cash on Fridays! Support our economy by using cash.**

**The problem today is that too many of us want to win without making heartfelt sacrifices. ...we don't want to ruffle any feathers. The sacrifices made today aren't for nothing, our current sacrifices are for everything.” Gen. Mike Flynn (Ret.)**

## MEMBERSHIP DONATIONS DUE

If you know a Republican, NPA, or patriotic conservative who wants to join the **America First SWFLC**, bring them to a meeting for informative, political news and entertainment plus meet new conservatives with a similar heart for America, or send them to our website at <http://www.americafirstswflc.org>

### **We make it happen! We are America First SWFLC!**

**Annual membership dues:** \$35 individual, \$60 couple, and \$20 each additional family member.

**Time to renew your membership dues.** Bring cash or a check to the meeting, or use the link below to pay by credit card. Send checks to our P.O. Box 352, Venice, FL 34285-0352. <http://www.americafirstswflc.org>

We are an active grassroots organization dedicated to traditional economic and social conservative Constitutional Republic values. We pool our talents and energy into electing conservatives to public offices. Patriots to save our country. We're a working and social club where you can share your ideas for America's future with friends to implement political plans into action.

Meetings are the second Wednesday of each month (except December) at Venice Community Center (Ballroom D), 326 S. Nokomis Ave. near Jervey Library on the island. Light refreshments served at 11:00 am. Guest speakers are scheduled.

### **Write a 250 word or less letter to *The Venice Gondolier* editor.**

[Ronald.dupont@yoursun.com](mailto:Ronald.dupont@yoursun.com) Sign your full name, include an address and phone number, but it won't be used. Mail letters to: The Venice Gondolier, Letters to the Editor, 200 E. Venice Ave., Venice, FL 34285. PLEASE make rebuttals to liberal letters. Jump in and voice your opinion.

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