The Patriot

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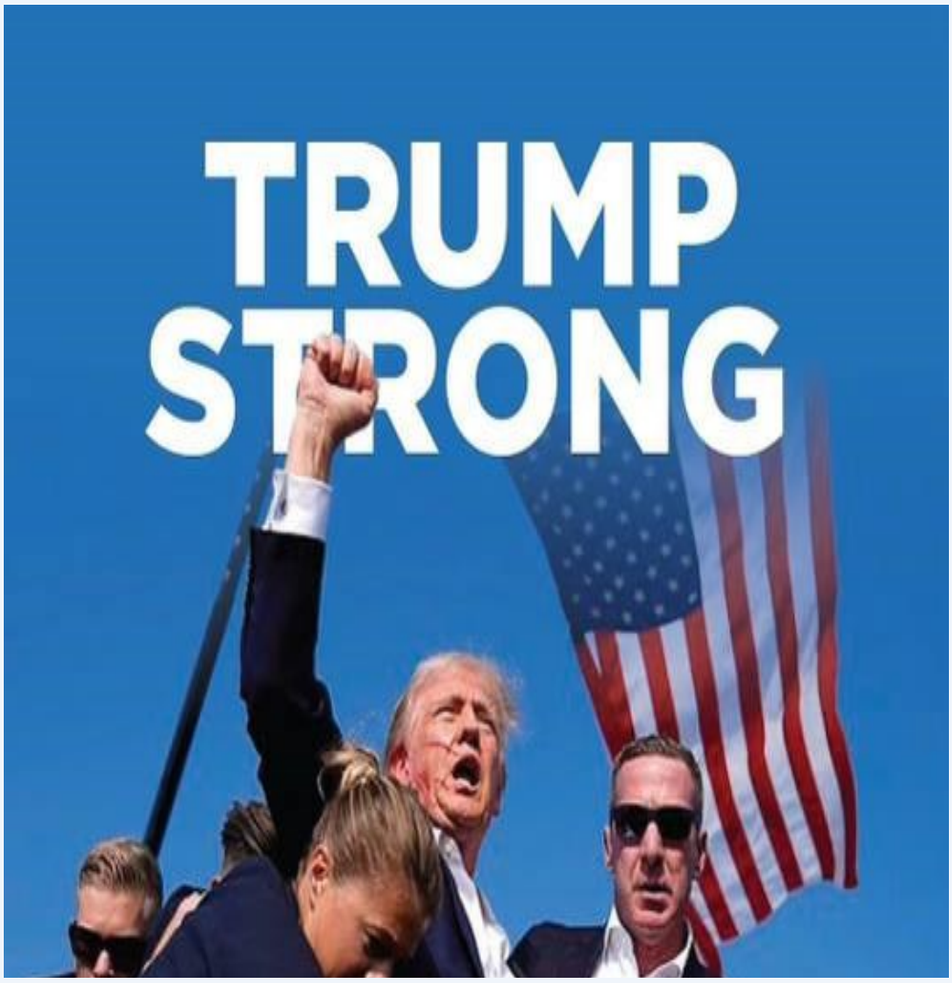


Photo credit: Evan Vucci. Disclaimer: The iconic image after the assassination attempt is "dangerous" because it's being used too much. It's being called "photoganda." You can't make this leftist fear up.

"**God alone who prevented the unthinkable from happening.** We will FEAR NOT, but instead remain resilient in our Faith and Defiant in the face of Wickedness." DJT

Sarasota County Conservative Political Caucus Defends

Itself Against Lawsuit by State & Local Republican Leadership

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

VENICE, FL August 7, 2024 – America First Southwest Florida Caucus, which is vigorously defending itself against a baseless, frivolous and spurious lawsuit initiated by the Republican Party of Sarasota County and joined by the Republican Party of Florida, is exposing publicly the dark underbelly of this power-hungry den of political thieves.

“This is outrageous! The local and state GOP leadership is being despicable,” says James Hoel, President of the America First SWFL Caucus. “The leadership of the Republican Party of Sarasota County and the Republican Party of the state of Florida are ganging up on a small group of America First patriots (America First SWFL Caucus) who had the audacity to liberate its members from the repressive clutches of a corrupt and deceitful greedy gang of political cronies.”

The Republican Party of Florida (on behalf of the Sarasota GOP) is seeking tens of thousands of dollars in monetary “damages” against the America First SWFL Caucus – tens of thousands of dollars that the political action group never accumulated.

“The Republican Party is simply trying to punish the America First SWFL Caucus for exiting their political caste system,” says Hoel. “They’re attempting to make an example out of us. But guess what? The America First SWFL Caucus is not backing down. We will defend our First Amendment right to assemble independently of the local and state GOP. And we intend to aggressively publicize this egregious, punitive attack.”

America First Southwest Florida Caucus is a conservative grassroots organization dedicated to – among other things - traditional economic values, the rule of law, religious and medical freedom, preserving the Second Amendment, and secure borders. The America First SWFL Caucus meets every second Wednesday of the month at the Venice Community Center and is the largest conservative group of its kind south of Tampa.

For more information, please contact Ashton Beaudry, Director of Publicity & PR for the America First SWFL Caucus at 941-961-4640.

WHEN: Wednesday August 14, 2024
TIME: 11:30 am (During monthly meeting of America First SWFL)
WHAT: Special announcement on the GOP lawsuit against America First SWFL
WHERE: Venice Community Center, 326 Nokomis Ave. South, Venice, FL 34285

America First Southwest Florida Caucus

Melania Trump released a statement following the assassination attempt of her husband, Donald Trump. (Here it is in part.)
I am thinking of you, now, my fellow Americans.

We have always been a unique union. America, the fabric of our gentle nation is tattered, but our courage and common sense must ascend and bring us back together as one.

When I watched that violent bullet strike my husband, Donald, I realized my life, and Barron’s life, were on the brink of devastating change. I am grateful to the brave secret service agents and law enforcement officials who risked their own lives to protect my husband.

To the families of the innocent victims who are now suffering from this heinous act, I humbly offer my sincerest sympathy. Your need to summon your inner strength for such a terrible reason saddens me.

American politics are only one vehicle that can uplift our communities. Love, compassion, kindness and empathy are necessities.

Dawn is here again. Let us reunite. Now.

ELECTION DAY NOV. 5 IS 89 DAYS

PRIMARY DAY AUG. 20 IN 12 DAYS

MONTHLY MEETING REMINDER

Meetings are the second Wednesday of each month at the Venice Community Center. Light refreshments are served at 11:00 am. The announcements start at 11:30 am.

Guest speakers in August will be: The Sarasota Memorial Hospital candidates will join us for their views on how they want to impact the board.

Our next meeting is August 14, 2024, 11 am -1 pm at the Venice Community Center, 326 S. Nokomis Ave.

"A house divided against itself cannot stand," Abraham Lincoln

Speakers at the July AFSWFLC meeting

Thomas Babicz School Board District 3

Karen Rose School Board District 2

Greg Wood School Board District 3

August 20, 2024 – Primary Election

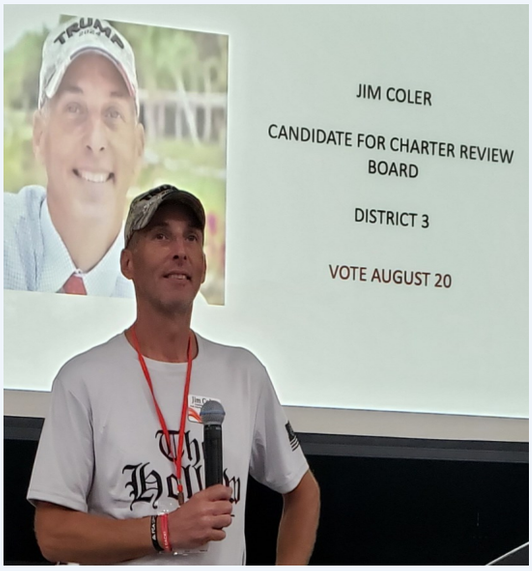
Early Voting: Sat., Aug. 10 - Sun., Aug. 18
Election day: Tues., Aug. 20: Polls open 7am – 7pm Vote-by-Mail ballots must be received in the elections office by 7 p.m.

- **Deadline** to request a vote-by-mail ballot be mailed for **Nov. 5th:** Thur., **Aug. 8, 5 p.m.**

2024 ENDORSED CANDIDATES

Tom Knight for County Commissioner District 3

Michelle Pozzie for FL House District 74



Conni Brunni for State Committeewoman

Jim Coler for Charter Review Board District 3

Vic Rohe currently on the SMH board. Tamzin Rosenwasser for Sarasota Hospital Board Seat 1.

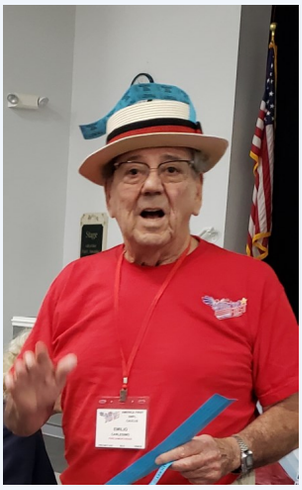
Jim Coler served as a Volunteer Fire Assistant Chief with a small rural department, a member of the County Hazmat Team, and was a certified as a NYS Fire Investigator. Jim has served on multiple boards including one for LeTourneau Christian Center. Jim is now serving as a facilities manager for multiple companies.

Jim Coler is running for office to serve the people and be the people's voice to the board. Jim feels this position requires a strong attention to details, willingness to listen, application of the truth and integrity. He is a Christian and has served in his church over many years in various aptitudes. Jim has instructed on a number of building codes to architects, engineers and contractors. On the CRB, he will research the pros and cons of an issue before making a judgment that could jeopardize the liberty of the community.

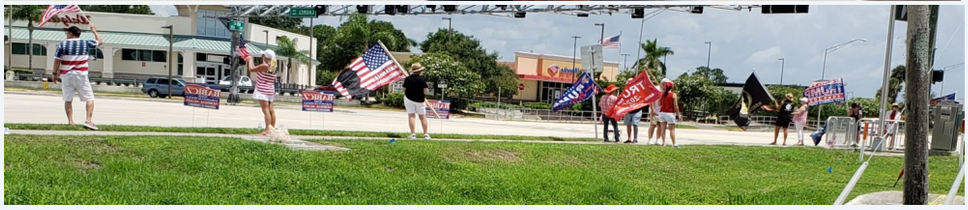
He feels he's been called to serve the people in this capacity, to protect our freedoms and property rights. He is in favor of reasonable development at a controlled pace. He is trustworthy and committed to protecting property rights and stopping any proposals that will apply Agenda 2030 to our county.

Please vote for Jim Coler for Charter Review Board for District 3 and support him at www.VoteColer.com ! Our kids are depending on this election and your vote for **Constitutional and Conservative Can-Do-Coler!**

Our Hospitality crew with Baby Hazel supervising. 6 months old! Emilio Carlesimo and 50/50.



July 14 Patriot flag waving at Laurel Road



UPCOMING EVENTS AND NOTICES

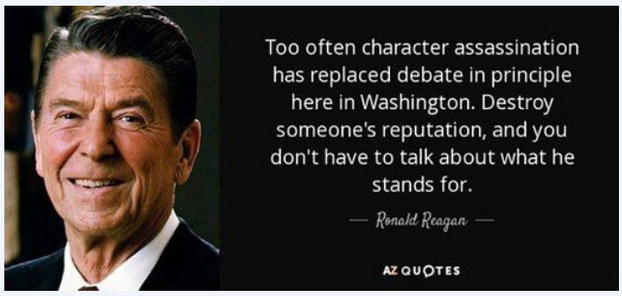
Sarasota School Board Meeting

August 6 & 21, 1960 Landings Blvd., Sarasota 34231. The meetings are open to the public and are held on the 1st Tuesdays monthly (from 3 - 5 pm) and 3rd (from 6 - 8 pm), except for one meeting in July and December. Citizens are welcome to speak under "Hearing of Citizens." Hearing of Citizens cards are in the lobby, which should be filled out prior to the meeting and handed to the Sarasota County School Board Rep. Speakers are required to arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of the meeting to complete a speaker's card. **School starts August 12.**

School Board Phone: (941) 927-9000 ext. 31147

To email all School Board members:
schoolboardmembers@sarasotacountyschools.net

Barbara Vaughn: Stop the craziness.



THEY CAN'T KILL THE TRUTH, SO THEY TRY TO ASSASSINATE THE CHARACTER

Rich Mazur - America First SWFLC Political Action Team has ongoing training meetings to learn how to visit Newly Registered Republicans.

- Join our team as the "Welcome Greeters" for Republicans in your precinct.
- Visit between 5-10 voters/month. It is **not door-to-door, but an A/C car to the front door. Minimal walking.**
- Work as a 2-member team to pass out an introductory informational letter, contact information for federal, state and local officials, Comparison of Democrat/Republican on issues and "the Inconvenient Truth of the Democrat Party to make your welcoming experience 100% enjoyable. It's fun to see Republican faces light up when you greet them.
- **Please let Rich know if you will be able to attend or not and give him your precinct number.** Special materials are prepared for you with your precinct number.

Thanks, Rich Mazur 860-519-6939

America First SWFLC Political Action Team

rtmgolf04@gmail.com 860-519-6939

Rich is organizing teams for Red Tent time slots.

On your name badge, you will find your precinct number. We encourage you to become an active participant in your own precinct on Tuesday, August 20, by passing out the voter guides at the time of day you want to volunteer.

Planning is everything! Your leadership needs to know if you personally can share your time as a "grassroots" volunteer to help elect Conservative/America First candidates. We will supply you with the voter guides. You can do this individually in your precinct, but we encourage you to enlist the help of your neighbors, friends and family.

Please step up. Any questions? 860-519-6939

Rochelle "Silk" Richardson, "*it's not about black, white, left-wing, right-wing. It's about being human beings. We are not slaves. Don't allow these people to enslave us.*"

Member Engagement Committee

"Make a Difference" Meeting

You **can make a difference for the upcoming Primary Election August 20, and on Election Day November 5!**

The Make a Difference meeting will be a special Engagement Meeting on Monday, August 12th from 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM primarily for newer members, but all members are invited.

Come and learn about our America First SW FL Caucus, conservative organizational structure in Florida and volunteer needs for our club in the 2024 election season.

The meeting will be at Linda Miller's home in Venice. Due to limited space, please contact Linda (941-486-0022) or Rick Ross (810-599-2973) to RSVP. Address information will be provided.

Let's "Make a Difference" by volunteering to achieve a strong conservative win in 2024!!

*A Volunteer Table is at our meetings. **Please stop by and offer to volunteer. This election is a winner take all of the Republic**.

Update On Adopt A Legislator

Meredyth Morrow 908-343-5104
Call Andy Dubois 352-933-6353 or
Meredyth Morrow for info.
andy@libertycitizen.com

Watch tracked bills here
Subscribe here

Make a Call to Action on Citizenship Verification from Meredyth. Please make your voice heard.

The next AAL meeting will be Wednesday, **August 27 6 pm** at the Jacaranda Library Youth Room.

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

Patriots, God woke you up for a reason.

Stay United. Stay Together. Stand Strong.

AN UPDATE FROM MEREDYTH

Poll watchers are volunteer spots. Yes, they still need workers.https://www.sarasotavotes.gov/Poll-Workers/Join-our-Team

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

Our election integrity team says there is no way to check on noncitizens who might be voting. This challenge has to be fixed.

"Every election is determined by who shows up. Larry Sabato

Attend the Sarasota Memorial Hospital Board Meetings on Tuesdays. Aug. 20, 2024, 2 - 4 pm SMH Main/ Boardroom, 1700 S. Tamiami Tr, SRQ 34239. **An independent review must be done.** Contact Lisa Roulet **lroulet@comcast.net**

FL Surgeon General Ladapo recommended **not** to receive C0V!D-19 mRNA injections **because of documented lack of safety issues**. There is factual, well-sourced information supported by peer corroborated scientific research about the experimental shots as reasons not to receive any injections.

Dr. Stephen Guffanti and Dr. Tamzin Rosenwasser know that in order to best protect patients, Sarasota Memorial must remain a public hospital.

Powerful money forces are telling voters that our candidates for some reason want to privatize SMH. (Think money.)

We suspect that private interests are coming to eliminate Sarasota Memorial as a public hospital system.

Privatization substantially improves hospital profitability, enabling financial sustainability even without government subsidy, but patient volume decreases by 8.4% with Medicaid patients experiencing the largest decline in care.

Please elect these doctors to the hospital board to protect us and keep our hospital public. Just donating $5 or donating an hour of your time at a red tent helps.

To help with the campaign, please contact Dr. Stephen Guffanti at 760-613-8617 / scguffanti@gmail.com, or Lisa Roulet at 763-227-8992 / lroulet@fastmail.com

For more information: visit MDsForaSafeHospital.com

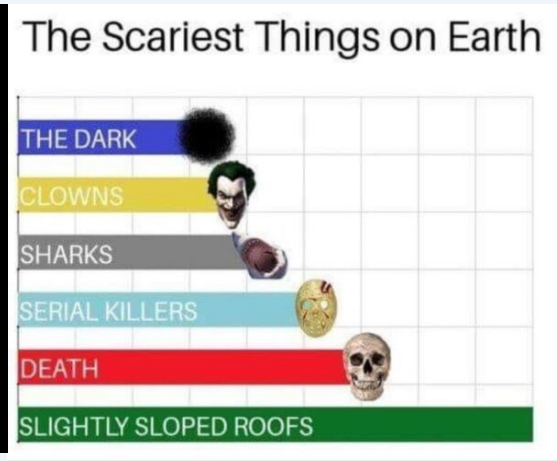
At the July 23 Sarasota Memorial Hospital board meeting, board member Vic Rohe called for a standing rule that would require a unanimous 9-0 vote from the board before Sarasota Memorial could convert from public to private, or otherwise remove the ability for the public to choose their board members in a public election.

If passed, this motion would help protect our hospital from both privatization attempts, and attempts to switch from a publicly elected board to an appointed board. The possibility of a switch to an appointed board was raised in a WSLR News report: "Asked by an audience member about what should be done if the Medical Freedom slate ends up controlling the hospital anyway, Bailey [former SMH general counsel] mused about the advantage of appointed versus elected boards."

Other board members chose to postpone the vote, needing time to consider the motion and get legal guidance. They rejected calling for a meeting the following week to have a vote prior to the primary election August 20th. During public comments, one America First member, Lisa Roulet, explained the urgency of protecting the public's ability to choose our board members in a public election: **"We are due to be the last public hospital standing in the whole state of Florida with a publicly elected board...We have to safeguard it, we have to protect it…"**

When a ventriloquist uses a different dummy,

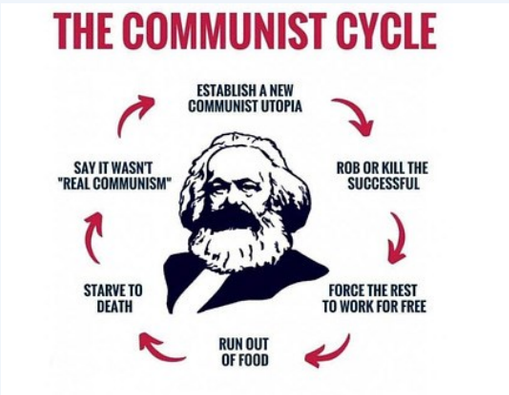
the show is still run by the same person.

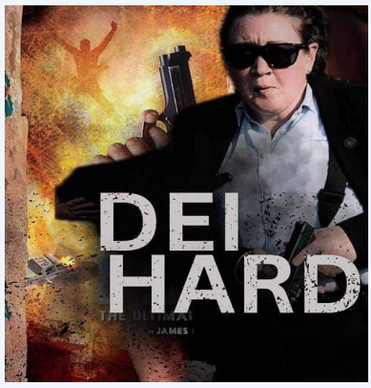


Back-to-School Sales Tax Holiday A two-week sales tax holiday will take place from July 29, 2024, to August 11, 2024, exempting certain school-related items from sales tax.

Sarasota Republican Candidate July Rally 2024

Candidate speeches, **absolutely** no voter guides and pie.





FL ID Numbers To Change Due To New State Law

Residents in the Sunshine State will be required to change their driver's license numbers to comply with a new state law set to take effect on July 31. (It's "improving" REAL ID.) This change has been ongoing since 2017.

Licenses and identification cards will incorporate four randomly chosen numbers after a 2023 Florida statute Florida Statute 322.14 (1)(a) was amended, according to the Florida Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles. State authorities said the change will help to protect people's identities and improve security.

The format of a person's license or identification card will remain the same. Anyone renewing or replacing their cards in-person or online will be issued a new number, *authorities* said.

"Any new credential, printed report or receipt will display the newly generated driver license or identification number." Online users can renew their IDs via MyDMV. Read more

To assist the Secret Service, all sloping roofs must be replaced by flat roofs within 2 years. Project 2025

Florida Law Requires Voters Request New Vote-by-Mail Ballots Every Voting Cycle

- Vote-by-mail ballots give you the *option* to vote by mail. *In-person* voting from early voting until 7 pm election day is still your choice. The vote-by-mail ballot is "insurance" that you get your vote counted by delivering it in person to 4000 S. Tamiami Tr., Venice, at the Supervisor of Elections office. **Deadline** to request a vote-by-mail ballot be mailed is: Thur., **Aug. 8, 5 p.m.**

Request a vote-by-mail ballot by at https://www.sarasotavotes.gov/Voter-Information/Vote-by-Mail

The New Socialist Buzz Word to Gaslight Us Is "Weird."

Liberals have moved on from "we have to save our democracy" to JD Vance is "just plain...weird." That will now be resonating in the minds of voters. It's amazing how easy voters are to manipulate.

Defend Florida has Voter Integrity ZOOM calls on Tuesday nights at 7 pm DefendFlorida.org **Read More**

Citizens Renewing America Alliance Phone call every Thursday, 5-5:30 pm https://slingofdavid.com/signup
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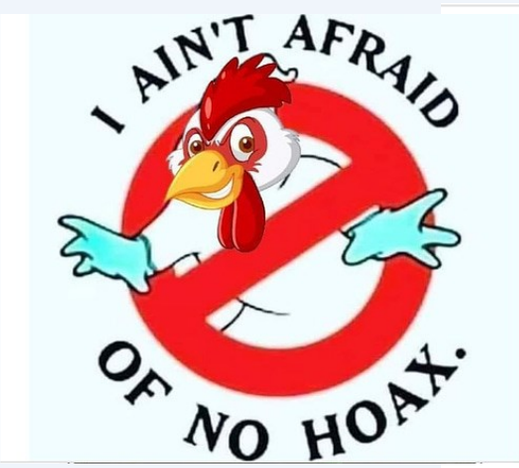
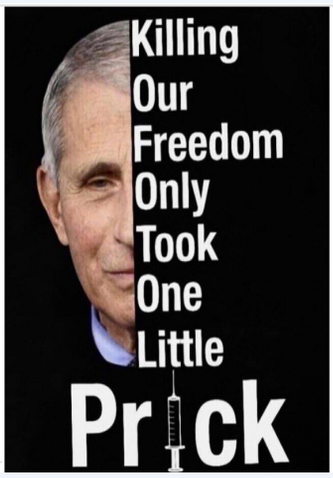
MAKE CONTACT: *Congress at your Fingertips*

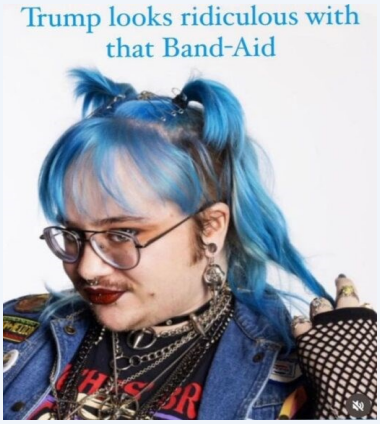
If you call 877-827-3321 you can get the ***Congress at your Fingertips*** book for $20. You can then call any governor, Senator or Representative directly. You should call, too: **202-225-5792.** Tamzin Rosenwasser





It is important to write to our officials. We the People ARE the government.

Gov. DeSantis	850-717-9337
Sen. Rick Scott	202-224-5274
Sen. Marco Rubio	202-224-3041
Rep. Greg Steube	202-225-5792
Joe Gruters	941-378-6309
Fiona McFarland	941-361-2465
James Buchanan	941-429-4560
Michael Grant	941-613-0914



Tim Walz Reveals First 10 Things He Would Do In Office

Tim Walz promises to make America as great as Minnesota. Here's what the Babylon Bee has to say about Walz. Read More

Editor's Column

On July 13 in real time, we almost saw another presidential assassination. The media, *The New Republic*, published an entire issue portraying the former president as Adolf Hitler. Joe Biden said paint a target on DJT's back as if justifying an assassination. The sick, corrupt degenerates of the media justifies killing DJT to the hapless, impressionable listeners who are way far out of touch with civility, morality and truth.

And just like the JFK assassination, the pandemonium, lies, incompetence and obvious cover up is revealed as eye witnesses exposed apparent government incompetence or cunning.

What can we do as citizens? We vote for the conservatives in our local elections and expose the deceivers. The left sees us as enemies, and we have to be louder and more virtuous.

Maybe the cavalry or the Crusaders will come to save us from the Deep State, but don't count on it. We have to save ourselves. Get up and volunteer to help with elections and talk to your neighbors.

FREEDOM!!

The Uni-party is alive in Sarasota County. We can beat them.

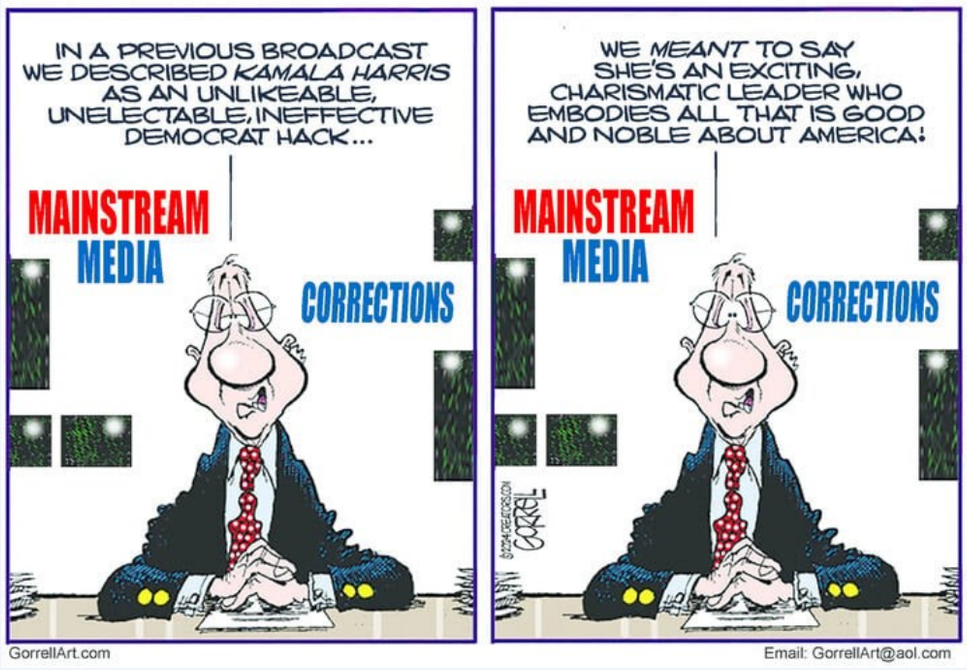
America First SWFLC
Allyx Young

Speaking recently, VP Harris clarified things to a greater degree:

"This is the outcome we expect without progressing. However, we cannot progress without the expected outcome.

The outcome will be just as expected without progressing, exactly as we expect."

The Associated Press will release her remarks in full.



Graham Ledger Start the morning with **The Ledger Report, "Cracker 82.5" - Live & Local 8 am-9 am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday** (maybe Thursday/ Friday soon). Graham analyzes Florida news (politics) and national news (politics), with the help of Largo resident, "Special" Ed, who gives his unique, conservative opinion of the news. Read More

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 www.americafirstswflc.org

Write a 250 word or less letter to *The Venice Gondolier* editor. 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 send compliments, complaints, considerations. Jump in and voice your opinion.

America First SWFLC website:
www.americafirstswflc.org **Visit the website to see our pictures and newsletters.**

SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS

Thanks to **COASTAL MOLD & WATER REMOVAL** who has sponsored lunch.es James and Kathy Hoel are a state licensed mold remediator. This is Florida, and we have mold. Call 941-303-5602
www.coastalmoldfl.com Lic # MRSR1364

January's lunch was sponsored by

COASTAL MOLD & WATER REMOVAL.

A sponsor. Patronize:

Car Doc for your car needs.

Shop Big Bam eBikes. 412 E. Venice Ave., Venice 34285 941-240-1717. **Big Bam eBikes** is sponsoring the Venice Community Ctr. meeting room in January.

DONATIONS AND VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

We appreciate and welcome volunteers' **stamps** donations for our mission to reach new registered Republicans. We have a total of **151,497** total active registered Republican voters as of 6/3/2024. Our very successful outreach program has welcomed over 10,000 newly registered Republican voters to Sarasota County.

America First Southwest Florida Caucus

WE ARE AN INDEPENDENT GROUP
OF CONSTITUTIONAL REPUBLIC PATRIOTS

WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE AT THE GRASSROOTS FOR YOU THE VOTERS

America First Southwest Florida Caucus

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 office. We need 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 at The 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.

Annual membership dues: $25 individual, $40 couple, and $15 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. Dues are currently the same. Be advised, we may have to slightly increase the price of membership dues soon due to increased prices in our monthly meeting hall and other operational expenses. So now is the time to pay for 2024 while prices are at their lowest. Send checks to our P.O. Box 352, Venice, FL 34285-0352.

To pay by credit card click **HERE:**

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