



CONSERVATIVES CARING FOR COUNTRY AND COMMUNITY

SUMMIT MAY 2023



Statue of Edmund Burke
by James Havard Thomas

**"The only thing necessary for the
triumph of evil is for good men to
do nothing."**

Edmund Burke

Member of English Parliament 1766 - 1794

Possible paraphrase of his words

Join Us

info@summitGOPwomen.org

[ColoradoCaringConservatives Instagram](#)

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CALENDAR

MAY 1 | 6:00 - 7:00 - FUTURE OF LEARNING

Central Committee meeting is cancelled and we encourage you to attend the "Future of Learning" Community Meeting at Summit High School. Join Dr. Tony Byrd, SSD Students & Leadership to connect and learn more about how SSD is transforming learning for your children. [Click here for invite](#)

MAY 6 | 9:00 - 5:00 TED MISCHE, SCHOOL BOARD TRAINING

National School Board Coalition, Chairman
Summit County Community and Senior Center, 83 Nancy's Place, Frisco
Bring your own for a working lunch.
RSVP to Tess Scalise tesssellssummit@gmail.com

MAY 8 | 5:30 - 7:00 - GOP WOMEN MEETING

Location: Barb Tabb's home
RSVP to barbtabb@comcast.net or 720-291-2854.

MAY 15 | 5:30 - CONSERVATIVE COCKTAILS

Rich and Dee James' home at 578 Water Dance Rd., Frisco
Bring your favorite drink and/or appetizer.

MAY 22 | 5:30 - MAY BOOK GROUP

BOOK: Rise of the Fourth Reich: Confronting COVID Fascism With a New Nuremberg Trial, So This Never Happens Again by Steve Deace and Daniel Horowitz

MAY 29 | MEMORIAL DAY

Celebrate your country!

JUNE 9-10 | WESTERN CONFERENCE

Join us for the 14th Annual Western Conservative Summit!
Speaker: Rep. Lauren Boebert

JUNE 10 | 12:00 CT3 FIREARMS EXPERIENCE

Your 2nd Amendment Experience: An Introduction to Firearms.
Don't wait to sign up as we are limited to 24 people, 16 & older. This will be a fun, non-intimidating day with your hands on firearms.

CALENDAR

MAY 2023

*Let's try
this again!*

May
**BOOK
CLUB**

***The April Book Club had to be cancelled due to illness
thus we'll be reviewing this same book.***

**BOOK: Rise of the Fourth Reich: Confronting COVID
Fascism With a New Nuremberg Trial, So This Never
Happens Again**

AUTHOR: Steve Deace and Daniel Horowitz

MODERATOR: Maarten Meinders

DATE: Monday, May 22, 6:00 pm

PLACE: 757 Meadow Creek Drive, Unit B, Frisco

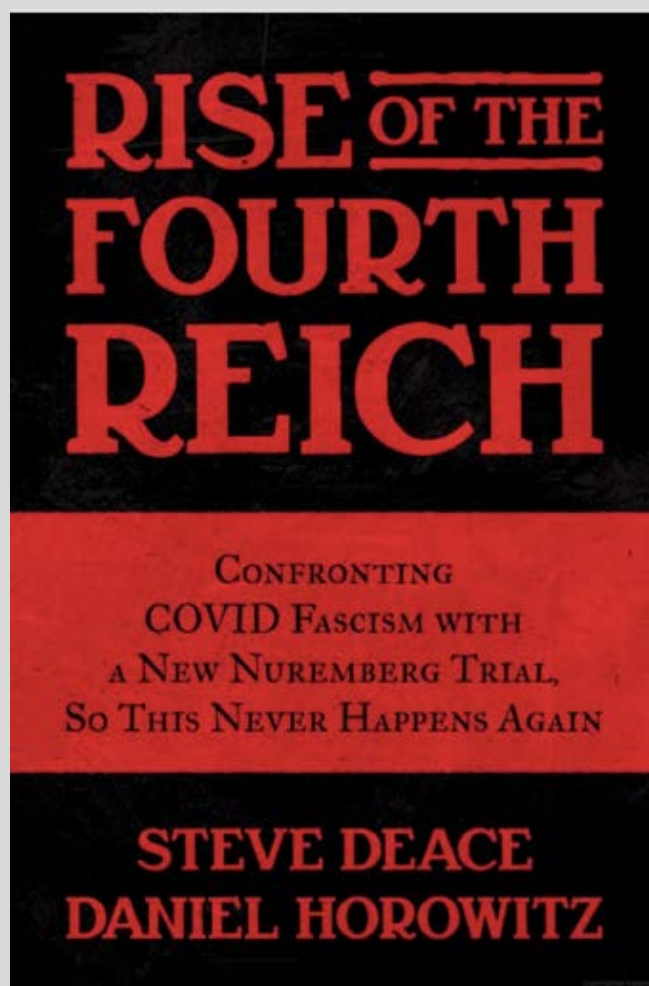
HOSTS: Cindy and Maarten Meinders

Please bring an appetizer and/or beverage to share.

All are welcome to attend; spouses, friends, family members!

RSVP to Cindy at cmeinders1@gmail.com or 706-218-0083.

***The tentative May plans for a movie night viewing of Animal
Farm will be postponed until fall.***



WHY I'M A REPUBLICAN

by Cindy Meinders

I've been conservative leaning most of my adult life, although, just recently, I have begun learning how to better voice my beliefs. Conversing with others who think differently is something I enjoy when both sides are respectful toward each other.

I believe in freedom of religion, speech, gun ownership, and free markets. (Crony capitalism is different.) I believe justice must return to our judicial system. Only Congress should be allowed to make laws and regulations. Our Constitution must be our foundation. Federal government is too big and too powerful, and states must take back their constitutional authority.

Over sixty million babies have been aborted in our nation; population reduction is working, and it is discriminating in the black community. Our national debt appears to be a lost cause. Everyone wants to keep getting their piece of the pie. Freedom is being swapped for security. The “life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness” foundational principle has been changed to “convenience, ease, and entitlement” while the left seeks to control every part of our lives. Since “all men are created equal,” we all need to behave like it.



Cindy Meinders and her husband, Maarten, moved from Georgia to Summit County four years ago where they now reside full time. They have three married children. Cindy was a pharmacist before she stayed home to raise their family. She believes the connections of God and government are just as crucial today as they were in the founding of our nation.

FOCUS ON EDUCATION



Summit School District Watch

@SummitSDWatch · 5.1 review · Community Organization

Send message

Hi! Please let us know how we can help.

As the school year nears its end and families look forward to a summer break, it is important to remain vigilant about what is happening in our schools. One group of concerned parents has established a Facebook page on which they post information about curriculum, hiring, student performance, and other well-researched issues. The Facebook page is Summit School District Watch, @SummitSDWatch. With a tagline “Teach Don’t Preach,” the organization describes this resource as “A grassroots parents' page” by those who “want to ensure all kids obtain a solid academic foundation. Our goal is to get all politics and social activism out of the school, to put teachers ahead of administrative bureaucracy, and to get back to academic basics.”

Please also note that the school district is currently planning to hire another central office administrator for the position of “Chief Transformation Officer.” For more information, visit the Summit School District Watch Facebook page or contact summitsdwatch@gmail.com.



DID YOU KNOW?



“Members on the Move.”

1.

Barb Petersen, Summit County Republican Women member, recently moved to The Villages, Florida. Luck would have it that she was filmed at a Barnes and Noble event promoting Shannon Bream's new book ***Love Stories of the Bible Speak***. Fox News was scanning the crowd as Barb was reading her book while in line. What a great opportunity!

2.

Three Abortion Bills Codified into Law

Colorado governor signed three bills further extending access to abortion and gender-affirming care into law. [Here's the link to what they do.](#) You can find the response from Colorado Catholic Conference of Bishops in this [Letter to the Faithful](#) on the devastating impact of that legislation.

3.

Humanitarian Crisis

There is a humanitarian crisis at our borders. The Department of Homeland Security reported 257,000 encounters with illegal immigrants in March. After Title 42 ends on May 11, the government is expecting the number of people attempting to enter the country illegally to surge from approximately 6,000 per day to 18,000 or more.

4.

Fact Check Biden

The GOP has set up a new website to fact check some of Biden's false statements.
Go to factcheckbiden.com.

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Whose Children Are They?
by Jini Clare

More than 25 years ago, Hillary Clinton published a book, *It Takes a Village to Raise a Child*. On April 24 of this year, at a White House gathering honoring educators, Joe Biden proclaimed, “There’s no such thing as someone else’s child. Our nation’s children are all our children!”

After several tumultuous years of parents being targeted by school boards and being declared “domestic terrorists” by the Department of Justice for daring to speak out on behalf of their own children, these statements by Democrat leaders are alarming.

Who should decide if your child is exposed to pornography in textbooks at school – the parents or the teachers? Who should determine whether your child is encouraged to mutilate his or her own body to change genders – you or a school counselor? Who should decide if your children learn the basics of reading, writing, math and science, rather than critical race theory – you or the teachers’ unions? Who should determine whether your daughter must share a bathroom or locker room with a male – you or the “state”?

Marxists and communists try to separate children from their parents and destroy the family unit. Vladimir Lenin, founder of the Russian Communist Party, is quoted as saying, “Give me four years to teach the children and the seed I have sown will never be uprooted.” We cannot remain silent as Democrat policies target our children and silently destroy the values that hold our society together.

Whose children are they? They are ours ... if we can keep them!

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Jini Clare and her husband, Joe, have been part-time residents of Silverthorne for the past 15 years. Jini is a writer and worked in the public relations/marketing field in Naperville, Illinois. Her love of the mountains and photography first drew her to Colorado for her first teaching job decades ago. She enjoys chairing the marketing/branding committee, editing SummitUp newsletter, and spending time with so many patriotic friends locally.

MEMORIAL DAY

REMEMBERING THEIR ULTIMATE SACRIFICE

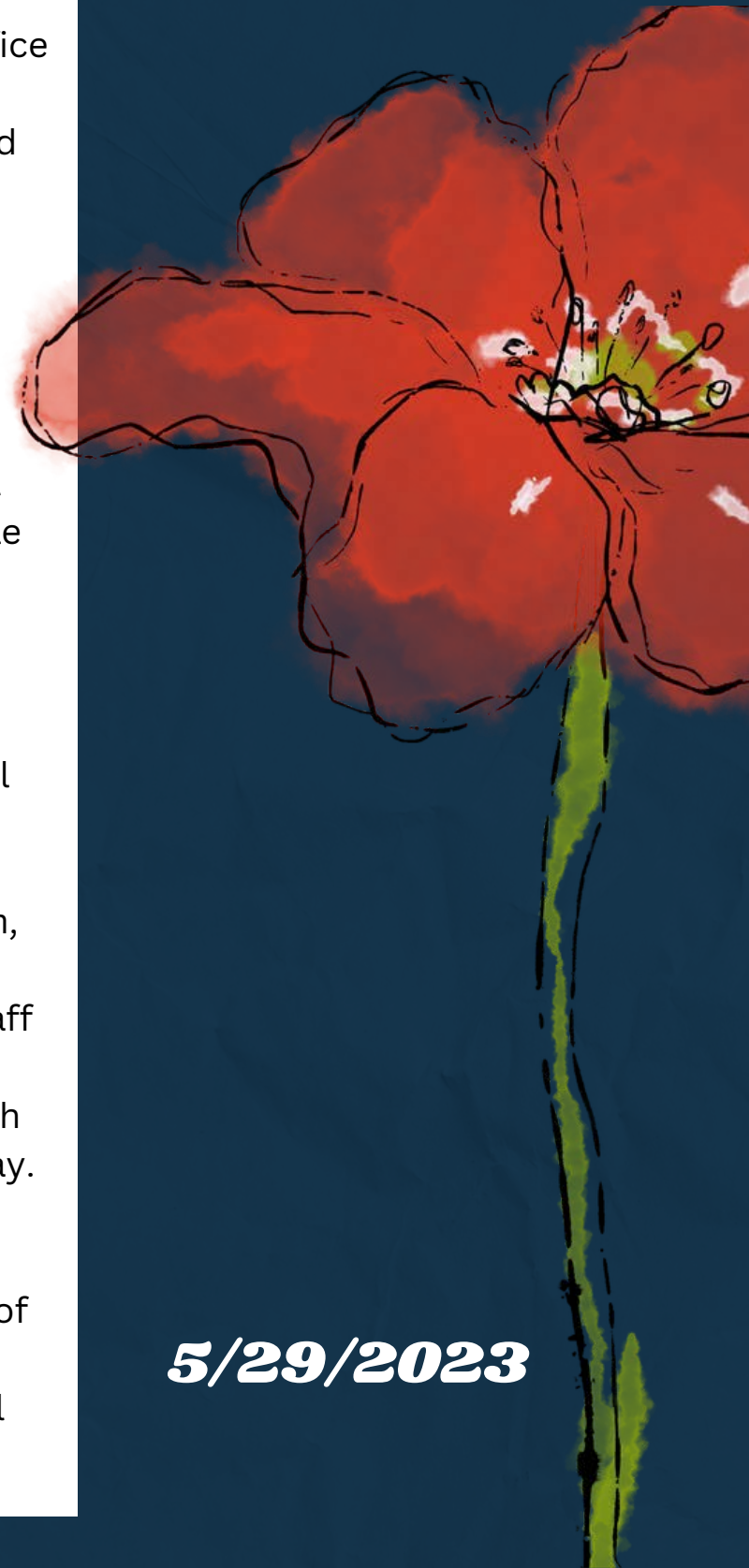
We owe our freedom to the millions of men and women who served our country in the military, fighting to preserve our nation and protecting us against the evils of tyranny throughout the world. We owe a special debt of gratitude to those who gave the ultimate sacrifice – their lives – to defend freedom.

Memorial Day offers unique opportunities to honor these men and women. Originally called “Decoration Day,” this nationwide day of remembrance was officially proclaimed by General John Logan following the Civil War. He stated, “The 30th of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves” of the more than 620,000 soldiers killed in that war. He observed their “bodies now lie in almost every city, village and hamlet churchyard in the land.” Now known as “Memorial Day,” the day is meant to honor our military personnel who died while serving in the United States armed forces. It is observed the last Monday in May each year.

Wearing a red poppy on Memorial Day is one simple way we remember these heroes. The story of the poppy goes back to World War I, which took a devastating toll on the troops. Lieutenant Colonel John McCrea, a Canadian brigade surgeon who was caring for fallen soldiers in Belgium, was struck by the red poppies blooming on the deadly fields. That scene inspired him to write the now-famous poem, “In Flanders Fields.”

In memory of the fallen, American flags should be hung at half-staff until noon on Memorial Day, then raised to their full glory.

After enjoying Memorial Day weekend parades and barbecues with family and friends, we should focus on the real meaning of the holiday. Plan to spend an evening watching some inspirational movies. “Hacksaw Ridge” (2016), “Black Hawk Down” (2001), “Saving Private Ryan” (1998), “Lone Survivor” (2013), “13 Hours: The Secret Soldiers of Benghazi” (2016), and “Glory” (1989) are a few of the best. They will teach us, inspire our families, and honor those who gave “the last full measure of devotion” to our blessed country.



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