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TRUMP

PRO LIFE: *Mr. Trump believes in and wants to protect the life of a fetus from conception. Exception made when the life of the mother is in danger.*

SECOND AMENDMENT: *Mr. Trump believes in the right to own and carry firearms and has been endorsed by the NRA. To control guns means only the criminals will have them.*

BORDER CONTROL: *Mr. Trump will build a large wall and will get Mexico to pay for it. Mr. Trump has stood his ground and shown us how Mexico will pay. [Click here to see his plan for payment.](#)*

ILLEGAL ALIENS/ISLAMIC TERRORISTS: *Mr. Trump does not want any immigrants from countries where terrorists reside to come into our country unless they are thoroughly vetted.*

WOMEN: *Mr. Trump is revamping the tax code to allow deductions for child care, will give incentives to employers to provide child care and will provide six weeks paid maternity leave. He has a record of elevating his women employees to high positions with equal pay.*

JOBS/TRADE: *Mr. Trump will grow jobs by negotiating better deals with foreign competitors and also by reducing the tax burden on U.S. businesses, so they will stay in this country.*

TAXES: *Mr. Trump lowers them for all including the middle class.*

OBAMACARE: *Mr. Trump will repeal & replace.*

SUPREME COURT: *Mr. Trump will appoint conservatives and keep balance in the court.*

ISRAEL: *Mr. Trump is definitely pro-Israel. His daughter, son-in-law and grandchildren are also Jewish.*

MILITARY: *Mr. Trump wants a strong military where we can be safe again.*

THE MAHOUT

The Keeper and Driver of the Elephant

October 2016

Strong Women for a
Strong America

The
Victory Office
is Open...
JOIN US!!!

Victory Office Hours

Monday - Saturday 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Sunday 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM
7910 Summerlin Lakes Dr.

CLINTON

PRO ABORTION: *Hillary has stated that a fetus has no constitutional rights up to birth. She believes in partial birth abortion.*

SECOND AMENDMENT: *Mrs. Clinton called for NRA members "to form a different organization and take back the Second Amendment from the extremists." She is for total gun control.*

BORDER CONTROL: *In 2015 Hillary talked about building a wall. In 2016 she said "we can't be talking about building walls or turning the clock back." She says the border is secure now.*

ILLEGAL ALIENS/ISLAMIC TERRORISTS: *Hillary wants to triple or more the amount of illegal aliens (100,000 immediately) coming into our country over what Obama has already let come in.*

WOMEN: *Hillary is providing twelve weeks of paid maternity leave, and she says she is for women, when in reality, she does business with countries who abuse women. She has taken many women down who get in her way. She does not give equal pay to her female employees.*

JOBS/TRADE: *Hillary is going to raise taxes and allow the national debt to go up so she can hire people to build our infrastructure. Trade deals will remain the same as they are now.*

TAXES: *Hillary will raise them even on the middle class.*

OBAMACARE: *Hillary will keep and expand.*

SUPREME COURT: *Hillary will appoint liberals who will make an unbalanced court for 40 years.*

ISRAEL: *Hillary clashed with Netanyahu as Secretary of State, but now says she is for him.*

MILITARY: *Hillary will continue to reduce the military from its weakened state of today.*



QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"The man who reads nothing at all is better educated than the man who reads nothing but newspapers."
— Thomas Jefferson

LRWF MONTHLY MEETING CANCELLED TO WORK FOR THE ELECTIONS

This month, there will be no dinner meeting. In lieu of paying for your meal, we are asking that all members donate to the club.

In addition to donating as much as you can financially, we are asking all of you to go to the Victory Office and volunteer your time. Doris Cortese and/or Kerri Tonkin are manning the front desk at the Victory Office Monday through Saturday. It would be wonderful if our entire membership stopped in and asked what they can do to put Republicans in office from the President to our County Commissioners.

Donald Trump, Marco Rubio and Francis Rooney need our support. We can't take it for granted that they are magically going to win. It is going to take very hard work...all of us working.

One last thing, Hillary is tough. She's dishonest and is on the wrong side of all of the issues. She's for abortions, taking our guns away from us, wants big government, wants to raise our taxes, won't secure the borders, wants to bring in hundreds of thousands of immigrants, and I could go on and on and on... Even though she stands on the wrong side of all these issues, she lies so well that she has half of the country believing that she is going to help women and children, and many are jumping on her band wagon because of it. What's the solution??? Come to the Victory Office and WORK!!!!

Remember, Mitt Romney lost by a very small amount of votes. Why? Because we all thought that no one would vote for Obama the second time. And others thought that they couldn't vote for a Morman. DON'T LET HISTORY REPEAT ITSELF! Don't sit idly by, not work and then wonder...How did Hillary win? Our country's future depends on our selfless sacrifices to campaign today... and to vote in November!

NEWSLETTER OF LEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN FEDERATED

Associated with the Florida Federation of Republican Women and the National Federation of Republican Women.



*Doris Cortese
LRWF President*

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

There are two important Federated events going on in October.

1. October is membership month. It's time to renew your membership. In order to keep our club vital and energetic we need all of you to renew. New members will receive the balance of 2016 and all of 2017 for one membership fee. Membership applications can be picked up at the Republican Victory Office, or download the application from the LRWF website by clicking [HERE](#).
2. This is the last month before the most important election of our lifetime. Volunteers are needed to make phone calls, walk door to door and to stuff door hangers. Everyone can do something. To date we have had 54 members volunteer their time to help get our candidates elected. This is an amazing number and I am so proud of our Federated ladies. Keep up the good work!!

WE MUST TAKE OUR COUNTRY BACK!

Please call me to volunteer.

The Victory office is located at 7910 Summerlin Lakes Dr. Ft. Myers.

For a map to the Victory Office, [CLICK HERE](#).

Sincerely,

Doris Cortese
President,
Lee Republican Women Federated
Member at Large, Florida Federation of Republican Women

FROM FFRW DISTRICT 7S REPRESENTATIVE CARMEN SALOMÉ

Election Day is less than 30 days away! Victory offices are working at a frenzied pace. Volunteers are making phone calls and walking neighborhoods. It takes a team to see it through to victory.

Early voting includes Sunday October 30th. Talk to your church pastor about organizing a "Souls to the Polls" event that Sunday - encouraging everyone to go early and vote right after church services. Let's win BIG in November.

Early Voting Schedule: 10/24 through 11/5; Click the link for locations and maps.
<http://www.lee.vote/elections/current-elections/early-voting-schedule-and-locations/>

Carmen Salomé,
FFRW District 7 South Representative
Named one of Florida's Women to Watch in 2016



*Carmen Salomé
FFRW District Representative*



CALLING ALL BUSINESSES

The Lee Republican Women Federated Club is seeking vendors who would like to advertise their business in our monthly newsletter and be listed on our website. The benefit is that your ad will be distributed monthly to 500 people in our network. The cost of a yearly ad is \$125.00. If interested please contact Rosemary Lewis at 239-284-6477.

NOVEMBER FUND RAISING EVENT

Ladies, the LRWF Fundraising event planned for November's LRWF meeting will be a Fashion Jewelry Sale. If you would like to donate your slightly used costume jewelry in good condition, please drop it off at election HQ at [7910 Summerlin Lakes Dr., Fort Myers, 33907](#).

The Fundraising committee will display and price the jewelry for sale. If you have questions please call Rosemary Lewis at 239-284-6477. Thank you for all your support!



Legislative UPDATE

By Jeanne Dozier

A Legislative Snapshot.
A look at Juvenile Justice.

As the schools across the country have opened for the 2016 – 2017 school year, Congress looks into Juvenile Justice. With everything that is occurring across the nation with our young people policy makers are looking at what can be done to change the cycle of behaviors in our schools and on the streets.

The House Education Committee Passed a Bipartisan Bill to Improve Juvenile Justice

The House Education Committee considered the Supporting Youth Opportunity and Preventing Delinquency Act of 2016 (H.R. 5963), and passed it in a nature of a substitute amendment to the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 (JJDPA) by unanimous consent.

Since 1974, the Juvenile Justice Committee has coordinated federal resources aimed at improving state juvenile justice systems with a focus on education and rehabilitation. To reauthorize and improve this law, members introduced H.R. 5963, which if passed by Congress, would help state and local leaders better serve at-risk youth and juvenile offenders. The bipartisan bill would strengthen prevention and rehabilitation support by:

- Providing states and local leaders flexibility to deliver services that meet the specific needs of delinquent youth in their communities.
- Promoting opportunities for juvenile offenders to acquire skills necessary to grow into productive members of society.
- Helping at-risk youth avoid the juvenile justice system by supporting prevention services.
- Prioritizing evidence-based strategies with proven track records and long-term solutions for addressing juvenile delinquency.
- Improving accountability and oversight at all levels of the juvenile justice system.

The House Education Committee agreed in a bipartisan manner to pass H.R. 5963 and advance it for consideration on the House floor. Further, the Senate is currently in the process of drafting legislation to reauthorize the juvenile justice law.

In Lee County a collective group of interested individuals including Judge James Seals, Lee County Sheriff, Mike Scott, Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Greg Adkins, and Lee County School District Director of Student Services, Mr. Pete Bohatch came together to look at what could be done and put in place a program called Restorative Justice. Is it working? Read the Legislative article for the month of November to find out.



Ladies,

We will be meeting at the home of Cheryl Harris for Book Chat on November 2nd. The book that was selected is an inspirational book about the historical explanations of what preserved the United States of America. The book is ***Seven Miracles That Saved America*** and is authored by Chris Stewart and Ted Stewart. This question was posed by the authors: "When the odds were stacked against us, and there have been many times when this great experiment we call America could have failed, did God intervene to save us?" This question was the foundation for this remarkable book. The answers they cite provide compelling evidence that the hand of Providence has indeed preserved the United States on multiple occasions. They very skillfully weave story vignettes with historical explanations. The book examines seven

instances that illustrates God's protecting care. If you are a person of faith, this is a "must read" book.

Please join us for an afternoon of like-minded discussion and friendship. We will meet from 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM. Snacks and beverages will be provided. Please email or call Cheryl to confirm your attendance.

I look forward to seeing you on November 2nd. Call for directions and gate entry.

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A VOTE FOR TRUMP = A Right for Life
A VOTE FOR TRUMP = A Right to Bear Arms
A VOTE FOR TRUMP = Secure Borders
A VOTE FOR TRUMP = More Jobs
A VOTE FOR TRUMP = Less Taxes
A VOTE FOR TRUMP = Smaller Government
A VOTE FOR TRUMP = Law & Order
A VOTE FOR TRUMP = Respect for Israel
A VOTE FOR TRUMP = Aggressive attacks on Isis
A VOTE FOR TRUMP = A Conservative Supreme Court
A VOTE FOR TRUMP = A Strong Military
A VOTE FOR TRUMP = Local School Control (No Common Core)

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*(These nominees will be voted on
in the November meeting.
Please come to cast your vote.)*



Ida Saxton Mc Kinley
1847-1907

Wife of President William McKinley

AMERICANISM Republican First Ladies

By Pat Baldwin

Ida Saxton Mc Kinley was a warm, quick witted, forceful daughter of James Saxton and Catherine “Kate” De Walt Saxton. She was born into the Presbyterian family on June 8, 1847, the oldest of three children.

Both her paternal and maternal families were among the founders of Canton, Ohio. They were close, affluent and influential.

Her paternal grandfather and father were abolitionists associated with the Canton underground railroad. Her father, a supporter of women’s rights, desired his daughters to be independent and not look to marriage for financial security.

The Saxton women were very close. During the Civil War, Ida, a teenager, helped her mother and grandmother sew uniforms for the Union soldiers. She then attended finishing school, and did the grand tour of Europe with her sister Mary. In Belgium, she developed a passion for lace having watched the women

realizing that they received dismal wages for their art. She brought home samples of Belgium lace and continued to collect throughout her life. Upon her return, her father hired her as a cashier and as acting manager for his bank. These were unheard of positions for women. She rose above the ridicule and succeeded giving great pleasure to her father and to herself.

Ida met William Mc Kinley in 1868 thinking, “He could be President some day.” By today’s standards, the McKinley’s would have been seen as a power couple. And power they obtained but they also suffered great loss, but not the loss of their love nor their faith. The disappointments and grief came in rapid succession. First, her beloved grandmother died two weeks before their wedding in 1871. Then, two weeks after the 1873 birth of their second daughter, Little Ida, Kate Saxton died. Four months later, Little Ida died.

That same year, Ida began having seizures and was diagnosed with epilepsy. In 1875, the oldest daughter and surviving child, died at five years of age from scarlet fever. Shortly after, Ida suffered a fall injuring her head and leg leaving her temporarily immobile. The treatment was complete bed rest which resulted in pleurisy.

Ida was a First Lady of Ohio before becoming First Lady of the US. Her sister, Mary, helped and cared for Ida and took over as White House hostess when necessary.

The public knew of Ida’s health problems. At the time, seizures were synonymous with mental illness. Nevertheless, Ida did become a role model for those with physical and mental disabilities. The public was very keen on her husband whose devotion to her was greatly admired. She did participate in White House functions when able. When incapacitated, she knitted thousands of slippers which she gave away or were auctioned by charities. She also financed the education of her African-American wash lady’s children.

In April of 1901, Ida and the President were in California where she developed a life threatening infection forcing her to recuperate in San Francisco. Because of this, the President postponed a planned visit to Buffalo, New York, until September.

On the morning of Sept. 6, 1901, Ida stayed at the hotel to rest. She was not with her husband when he was shot by Leon Czogosz. She was not told of his injuries for at least a day. Simultaneously, the President’s concern was for her imploring those around him after he was shot to tell her gently.

Appearing that he would survive, Ida was brought to him. For a week, he did rally but, unfortunately, he succumbed to gangrene. His last words were, “What shall become of her?”

Following the funeral, Ida oversaw the building of his monument. She visited his coffin daily for 30 months until its completion. She also was very interested in helping the African American, James “Ben” Parker, who tackled the assassin before he could get off a third shot.

She died on May 26, 1907 and is buried next to her husband. Her funeral was attended by President Theodore Roosevelt.

LEE COUNTY EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS

Lee County Elections
Cape Coral Branch Office
1039 SE 9th Ave.
Cape Coral, FL 33990

Lee County Elections
Bonita Springs Branch Office
Bonita Commons #105
25987 S Tamiami Trail
Bonita Springs, FL 34134

Lee County Elections Center
13180 S. Cleveland Ave.
Fort Myers, FL 33907

East County Regional Library
881 Gunnery Rd. N.
Lehigh Acres, FL 33971

Cape Coral-Lee County Library
921 S.W. 39th Terrace
Cape Coral, FL 33914

Northwest Regional Library
519 Chiquita Blvd. N.
Cape Coral, FL 33993

Veterans Park Recreation Ctr.
55 S. Homestead Rd.
Lehigh Acres, FL 33936

Estero Recreation Center
9200 Corkscrew Palms Blvd.
Estero, FL 33928

North Fort Myers Recreation Center
2000 North Recreation Parkway
North Fort Myers, FL 33903

Schandler Hall Community Park
Rev. Suarez Hall
419 Royal Palm Park Rd.
Fort Myers, FL 33905



[CLICK HERE FOR MAPS TO EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS](#)

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

2017 club dues reminder will be email blasted after the October 2017 newsletter is emailed....the blast will attach a copy of the 2017 membership application with the addition of an entry for year joining the LRWF.

Membership orientation will be Monday, October 17th, at my home, 14805 Calusa Palms Drive, Ft. Myers...program will be Donna Clarke and Jeannie Dozier speaking on why they joined LRWF and why they serve the community...theme is going to be patriotic. Barb Koeplinger is assisting me with refreshments.

NEW MEMBERS:

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- Kellie Munroe (address to be published next month)

ADDRESS CHANGE:

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TOTAL MEMBERSHIP:

127 FULL MEMBERS 33 ASSOCIATE MEMBERS 2 STUDENT MEMBERS = TOTAL 162

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Gibson
LRWF Membership Chair



A perpetual drip of corruption... That is what we have gotten from Hillary Clinton from before she even began her public life. It started when she was in college. She was a fan of Saul Alinsky. Saul Alinsky was an American community organizer and writer. He was the founder of modern community organizing and wrote the book, *Rules for Radicals*. He was a self-proclaimed "agnostic" Jew and a socialist. He wrote *Rules for Radicals* one year before he died and stated at the end of his personal acknowledgments in the book, the following... "Lest we forget at least an over-the-shoulder acknowledgment to the very first radical: from all our legends, mythology, and history (and who is to know where mythology leaves off and history begins or which is which), the first radical known to man who rebelled against the establishment and did it so effectively that he at least won his own kingdom – Lucifer." I certainly would not dedicate my book to such a character whether I believed him to be mythological or real.

From her early days in college Hillary had socialistic leanings. She wrote a thesis on Saul Alinsky which was called "*There Is Only the Fight... An Analysis of the Alinsky Model*." Hillary and Saul Alinsky had corresponded and talked on a number of occasions. He was someone that she wished to be like. After college Hillary flunked her D.C. bar exam and went with Bill to Arkansas and took her exam there. After that came one scandal after another. In regards to her scandals, you can't see the forest because of the trees.

The Whitewater scandal involved a failed real estate investment between the Clintons and the Dugals. It gets quite confusing as to where the wrongdoing came in, and they eventually escaped prosecution. However, within hours of the death of Vince Foster, chief White House counsel Bernard Nussbaum removed documents, some of them concerning the Whitewater Development Corporation, from Foster's office and gave them to Maggie Williams, Chief of Staff to Hillary Clinton, the First Lady. There's not enough space allowed here to go into all of it, but you may [CLICK HERE](#) to read more. The Clintons escaped prosecution, but lest you think there was no wrong doing, 15 other persons were convicted of more than 40 crimes, including Bill Clinton's successor as governor, who was removed from office. Only the Clintons escaped the prosecution.

Travelgate was another scandal where the Clintons fired employees without cause from the Whitehouse Travel Office and replaced them with their friends and a cousin of Bill's. Deputy White House Counsel Vince Foster became worried about the firings about to take place and ordered a review, asking the FBI to hold off in the meantime. Hmmm. Later, he committed suicide and papers were taken from his office that had to do with Whitewater. Are we getting a picture of something bigger here? Many scandals keep coming over the years...

Fast forward to today! The Clinton Foundation only gives 10% of their donations back to the people they are supposed to be helping. What happened to the other 90%? I don't donate to any organization that gives less than 85% to 90% back to the people they are trying to help! How did they leave the Whitehouse...as Hillary says..."broke" and have \$111 million dollars just eight years later? Where did you say the money from the foundation went? And the worst in my mind is Benghazi! After 600 calls for help, Hillary's state department let our people die! Hillary testified in court that none of those 600 pleas for help reached her desk. By the way, the requests were sent via email...I wonder where they went.

And what is in the emails that have disappeared after she said she gave them all back? One email was recently found showing that Hillary Clinton and her State Department were actively arming Islamic jihadists, which includes the Islamic State (ISIS) in Syria. And why was she arming them? Because she wanted them to be used to help her take down Khadafi. And where was Khadafi? You say...Libya? And where is Benghazi? Oh my...it's in Libya! Is there a connection between emails, ISIS, Khadafi and our dead ambassador and his co-patriots in Libya? Why the lies about the revolution in Libya? If it wasn't started over a video...could it have been started to take out people who knew too much? I'm a nobody, and I am just speculating, but there is only one question that really, really bothers me. HOW CAN ANYONE VOTE FOR HILLARY CLINTON?

Donald has had some problems; we all know that, but putting them side by side and comparing the issues...NO ONE DIED FROM TRUMP'S PROBLEMATIC LANGUAGE. And further than that...Trump would NEVER sell weapons to ISIS! Who is not fit for the presidency? Crooked, scandalous Hillary is NOT!

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