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The Keeper and Driver of the Elephant

May 2018

Strong Women for a Strong America

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

*"A nation that forgets its past, has no future."
Winston Churchill*



SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE - CANDIDATE MATT CALDWELL

Matt Caldwell is a 7th generation Florida native, whose family has a long history of being farmers, small business owners, ministers, and doctors. Matt was born in Gainesville but grew up in Lee County where he eventually met his wife, Yvonne. They live in North Fort Myers, where Yvonne serves as a teacher and they raise their beautiful daughter, Ava.

Matt received his Associates Degree from Edison College and his Bachelor of Arts in History from Florida Gulf Coast University. He then began his career as a real estate appraiser with Maxwell, Hendry, & Simmons in Fort Myers. He has attained the highest state certification in his field and is qualified as an expert witness in multiple states and federal court.

Matt's desire to serve his community took him to Tallahassee when he was first elected to the Florida House in 2010. He has served on several committees during his tenure in the Florida House, including transportation, tax policy, redistricting, insurance, banking, and local government & federal government affairs. He has chaired subcommittees and committees related to agriculture and natural resources. He currently chairs the Government Accountability Committee, which oversees subcommittees regarding natural resources and public lands, transportation and infrastructure, local, federal, and military issues, & oversight of government operations, such as pensions & elections.

Matt is proud to have sponsored, and had the Governor sign into law, several pieces of legislation, including: The Andrew Widman Act, providing greater protection from career criminals; an act relating to Optometry, lowering the cost of, and increasing access to, medical eye care; as well as acts relating to pensions and term limits. In addition, Matt has always been an advocate for the 2nd Amendment, cutting taxes, limiting the size and scope of government, and reducing or eliminating unnecessary regulations on business owners.

Matt sponsored an expansion of the Everglades Forever Act, which will complete Everglades restoration in the area south of Lake Okeechobee, as well as Legacy Florida, which will permanently fund restoration of the greater Everglades; and fighting Numeric Nutrient Criteria. In 2017, Matt championed an overhaul of the vaunted Florida Forever program, refocusing the program on land acquisition with a priority for conservation easements and permanent funding totaling roughly \$3 billion dollars over 17 years.



JOIN US!

The next meeting of LRWF is May 14th at Pincher's Restaurant. at the Marina, in Fort Myers at 2360 West First Street. Social time starts at 11:15 PM with lunch following. Meet Matt Caldwell, candidate for State Secretary of Agriculture.

The menu choices are:

1. Turkey Club Wrap with Chips
2. Southwestern Salad with Grilled Chicken and Rolls
3. Plain Caesar Salad with Toppings on the side.

Ice Cream Sundaes for dessert.

Reservation Deadline is Thursday,
May 10th at noon

For reservations call

Wren Morefield at 270-210-1284 or
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To make a reservation online go to [http://
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PRESIDENT'S LETTER



Doris Cortese
LRWF President

I just want to take this time to thank President Trump. I don't know of any individual in the world who would take the kind of abuse that he takes for us. And while he is taking this abuse, he is lowering our taxes, creating jobs, making businesses healthy, protecting us from illegals coming across our border, eliminating Isis, and bringing North and South Korea together. We don't know how the Korean situation is going to end up, but NO ONE has ever come this far to end the problems in North and South Korea!

Now that I have thanked President Trump, I need to tell all of you that President Trump needs you! He needs you to volunteer to make phone calls, walk neighborhoods, be active on social media and do anything that you can to fill the Senate and House with Republicans. If we don't...we will have higher taxes, more unemployment, weaker businesses, illegals invading our country, the return of Isis and the Korean situation could fall apart. We need Republicans to bring about President Trump's agenda. It will not happen without all of you.

This is a crisis!!! We cannot let the Democrats rule anything. In fact, we need a majority so strong and so conservative that we don't have to have one Democratic vote to make

Trump's agenda go forward. I can't wait to see what President Trump has in store for us in the next two years...only if we do our part!

Sincerely,

Doris Cortese, President, LRWF
Vice President, LCREC

Term Limits Without Amending the Constitution

By Francis Rooney

The idea of citizen legislators, espoused by our Founding Fathers, centers on the discussion of term limits. Many voters across the country and legislators across party lines have expressed support for term limits, making the idea one which attracts bi-partisan support.

When my home state of Florida passed term limits, 76% of Sunshine State voters voted in favor. In fact, Florida is one of 15 states to currently have legislative term limits. In 2016, Lee County overwhelmingly approved term limits for Commissioners, with 86% of the voters in favor. This year, a nationwide poll conducted by McLaughlin & Associates found that 82% of voters support Congressional term limits, including 89% of Republicans, 83% of independents, and 76% of Democrats.



Francis Rooney
US House of Representatives

Despite clearly expressed views of the American people, some argue that term limits would overly empower unelected staff and bureaucracy. Others argue that a semi-permanent legislative class is the best way Congress should function, despite how the Founders fought a revolution to get away from exactly this.

Although 15 states have instituted term limits, the situation is more complicated at the federal level. Heretofore, federal term limit discussions have focused on proposals which require amending the Constitution. These well-intentioned efforts, in the form of at least 12 bills in the current session of Congress, with over 90 co-sponsors, are stymied by the arduous process of amending the Constitution.

Perhaps a new approach to the issue of term limits would correct this problem. To this end, I have introduced the Thomas Jefferson Public Service Act of 2018. This proposal offers a means of effectively putting capitated service, i.e. "term limits," in place without amending the Constitution. The Act will reduce the salary of an elected Member of Congress to \$1 a year after they serve six (6) consecutive terms in the House or two (2) consecutive terms in the Senate, and does not require a Constitutional amendment.

Is it possible that a disruptive, game-changing measure like this could instill public confidence in Congress and set the stage for a wave of innovation and accomplishment?

From the time of Cincinnatus, who twice entered public service to save Rome from attack and then duly returned to work his farm, to Presidents George Washington and Thomas Jefferson, who refused to consider public service as a career, history is replete with examples of leaders who served their country for a time and returned to private life, or who went on to serve in a different way.

Even though some Washington pundits and some of the so-called "special interests" might disagree, I would argue that regular

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Term Limits continued... rotation of elected officials would stimulate more fresh ideas and make our legislators more independent. Once these limits take root, a new culture might arise which would be indomitable. Those who argue that "only the rich would be able to serve", miss the key point - after 12 years in office, it's time to move on!

Many states have had this positive experience with their term limits. They certainly work well in Florida. Contrary to arguments that term limits would overly empower unelected voices, the experience with term limits in Florida demonstrates otherwise. State government has shrunk, spending is under control, and the people overwhelmingly support this system.

The Thomas Jefferson Public Service Act could help more closely align the Congress with the electorate.



BOOK CHAT

Ladies, We will be meeting at Mel's Diner on Wednesday, May 2, from 1:00 - 3:00. Our discussion will be about the movie, "Chappaquiddick". Please make plans to see the movie and come share your thoughts.

The movie's poster calls it "the untold true story," although it's been told over and over, in many different ways - though mostly by men, and never to anyone's satisfaction.

"I made terrible decisions," Kennedy wrote in his 2009 posthumous memoir, and "I've had to live with that guilt for forty years." On the big screen, he has been brought back to life and surrounded by six women at a cookout. The women were referred to as "the boiler room girls, because they worked the phones and wrangled party delegates for Bobby Kennedy's 1968 presidential campaign. Over the years, the five surviving "girls" would be hounded by journalists, slandered by the public, wiretapped by the Nixon administration, and criticized for their inconsistencies in their recollections. They have refused big paydays to tell all. They declined to be interviewed for story after story and book after book, as Kennedy bur-nished a career as the Lion of the Senate. It is a policy they have stuck to for nearly 50 years. Now in their 70s, they have kept their stories silent, as other women are taking public, the misbehavior of men.

Kopechne's family are happy to see her name be given new meaning on-screen. The Kennedy's have been quiet about the movie, leaving pushback to confidants and associates. The boiler room girls, on-screen and in real life, remain frustratingly out of focus.

On a hot night in July 1969, a group of 6 men and 6 women gathered on Massachusetts's, Chappaquiddick Island. One women, Mary Jo Kopechne, left with Ted Kennedy in his black Oldsmobile. The car drove off a small bridge and hit the dark water. It sank in 6 to 8 feet of water and rested on the bottom. Kennedy escaped and Kopechne drowned. It took Kennedy 10 hours to report the accident.

Come join us for lunch and share your opinions. Please let me know if you plan to attend so I have a number for reservations.

For anyone who is reading ahead, we will be reading, "The Swamp", by Eric Boling for June. We will not meet for July, August and September. We will resume in October and will be reading "The Smear" by Sheryl Atkinson. See you May 2.

Cheryl Harris

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We are happy to add a new Student Member to LRWF

Crystal Hamblen

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Crystal indicates she is interested in working on Community Outreach, Caring for America and Campaigns! Welcome, Crystal!!

If anyone is interested in helping with Membership/Hospitality, please call me or Ann Ross.

Thank you don't miss a meeting!!

Peg Love, Membership Chair

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SOCIAL MEDIA...WE MUST WIN THE BATTLE!

I am becoming more and more concerned about the mid-term elections. The most important thing that any of us can do right now is talk, talk, talk. In addition to the phone calls that we make and the neighborhoods that we walk, we need to talk to our friends wherever they are. In church, at the grocery, in the schools and with our neighbors. We have to talk constantly. If you don't know how to use social media... LEARN!! It is so critical for us all to do our part.

Let me tell you something. If social media were not so important, the left wouldn't be trying so hard to shut the conservatives out of it! We are learning in the news daily, how the social media platforms are censoring conservatives.

For example, Diamond and Silk, two black women who have been fighting for right wing principles, have become censored by Facebook. It finally came to the point of them testifying before congress about their unfair treatment. I was amazed to see how many black congressmen and women took issue with their right to speak out the way they had. Instead of talking about their censorship in the congressional hearings, they questioned the amount of money being made by Diamond and Silk because their Facebook page had been successful. Never mind that the money was being stopped due to their censorship. They also tried to show that Diamond and Silk had been paid \$1274.94 from President Trump's campaign for consulting. First of all, there would be nothing wrong with that, but secondly...Diamond and Silk insisted that they had not been paid by Trump's campaign. It became a war of semantics. Actually, they had been paid, but Diamond and Silk called it a re-imbusement for airfare...which it was, and not a payment for consulting services. It appears as though it was mistakenly recorded as consulting fees.

Why am I so concerned about Diamond and Silk? Because they speak out for the right and they have been drug through the mud by congress. Just today, I read an article ridiculing their common language as not being proper enough. They speak as many blacks...and whites do. They connect with the common person. Is that illegal?

If enough of us speak out on Facebook, Twitter, emails and the many other social medias...who can stop us? I personally write a blog and use this opportunity of being this newsletter editor to speak out. We all need to find our forum.

When President Obama first started campaigning, he and the Democrats used social media very effectively. They used it so effectively that Romney never stood a chance. No one could stop Obama. Since that time, the Republicans have become stronger in their abilities to use social media and Trump, being the master that he is, has brought the Republican Party into the forefront of this battle.

What is my concern? As the Republicans step up the pace, the Democrats fight even harder. It has gotten purely nasty. So I am asking you all to come out of your comfort zone. We ALL must take to social media.

Social media is the "new battleground of media bias" — and conservatives are losing. They are losing to Facebook, Twitter, Google and all areas of social media.

In the Media Research Council (MRC) study, "*Censored! How Online Media Companies Are Suppressing Conservative Speech*," the report charged that Twitter leads in censorship, using a technique known as "shadow banning, where users think their content is getting seen widely, but it's not."

The following was taken from <https://info.mrc.org/censored>

Among the many findings, Media Research Center analysts describe:

- How these major tech companies work with groups that hate the right — such as the Southern Poverty Law Center;
- How 12 of the 25 U.S.-based members of Twitter's Trust and Safety Council are liberal...and just one is conservative;
- How Google's search engine was found to be biased in favor of Hillary Clinton during the 2016 election;
- How YouTube now limits gun videos and promotes radical content from its special Creators for Change;
- And how "shadow-banning" affects all of us. A Twitter engineer bragged how about this nefarious practice could suppress and silence conservative voices like yours.
- Conservatives are boxed in on all sides. This is simply unacceptable.

I personally am tired of people criticizing President Trump for Tweeting. Twitter tried to censor him at one point, but he won out! This is war!!! Tweet on Mr. President and tweet on conservative ladies and gentlemen!

Check out the Facebook and Twitter pages for LRWF!

<https://twitter.com/LRWF2020>

<https://www.facebook.com/LeeRepublicanWomenFederated>

NORA

This excerpt was taken out of Bill O Rielly's email that he sends out and I really think we need to pass this along to campaigns that this is the hook they will be getting people to sign up for the democrats and to help break apart our constitution in the process. We cannot allow even a crack in our Constitution and Bill of Rights and I believe this is a huge start for them.

Kerri, LRWF First Vice President

The Time Is Now...New Coalition of Celebrities and Activists Just Pledged to Take on the NRA

A new coalition of celebrities and activists, including actor Alyssa Milano and Parkland student David Hogg, announced plans Friday to take on the National Rifle Association and elected officials who accept money from the powerful gun advocacy group. In an open letter to NRA Executive Vice President Wayne LaPierre more than 100 members of the newly formed NoRA Initiative, short for No Rifle Association, pledge to reduce the NRA's influence in American politics through a series of voter registration drives, nationwide art campaigns, demonstrations, and boycotts. "Your time signing checks in our blood is up," the letter says. "We're coming for your money. We're coming for your puppets. And we're going to win." NoRA launched its initiative Friday, on the 19th anniversary of the mass shooting at Columbine High School, as students across the country participated in a national school walkout in part to commemorate the 1999 massacre. NoRA's members include Jimmy Kimmel, Amy Schumer, Alec Baldwin, Ashley Judd, Julianne Moore, Patton Oswalt, Constance Wu, W. Kamau Bell, Amber Tamblyn, Debra Messing, Minnie Driver, Tarana Burke, as well as several artists, policy experts, and survivors of gun violence. They say their goal is to expose public servants who have been stymying gun control legislation after taking money from the NRA. NoRA believes it can use grassroots and digital awareness campaigns to help vote those legislators out of office.



Senator Rand Paul

(Taken from an email sent out by Senator Rand Paul)

My jaw hit the floor when I heard the news. Coming directly from the U.N.'s own website, I was furious to find out that the second largest direct funder of their global gun ban is American taxpayers like you and me.

Figures going back to the Obama administration show hundreds of thousands of dollars coming from our own government towards promoting the U.N.'s "Small Arms Treaty." And sadly, those funds haven't slowed down since President Trump has taken office.

Could it just be oversight? Or could it be entrenched holdovers from the Obama administration willfully blocking President Trump from knowing this is going on? Either way, it is unacceptable that we are continuing to fund this global gun ban. If fully implemented in the United States, our Second Amendment would be put on life support, and it would take years to undo the damage.



HUNTING LICENSES APPLIED FOR...IN THE MILLIONS

Why they will never be able to take all of the guns without a gun battle.

Hunters own multiple guns...anywhere from 1 to 20 or more.

Add to that the people who do not hunt, but have 1 or more guns.

Legislative UPDATE

By Lori Fayhee

If you haven't requested a mail-in ballot yet for the General election, you may want to request it now. The 2018 election ballot is eight-sided this year! In addition to the regular election, our ballot will include the Lee County School Board's half-penny sales tax referendum, as well as eight proposed amendments to Florida's Constitution, as recommended by the 2018 Constitution Revision Commission (CRC)

Once every 20 years, Florida's Constitution provides for the creation of a 37-member revision commission for the purpose of reviewing Florida's Constitution and proposing changes for voter consideration.

The 2018 Constitution Revision Commission (CRC) is the third of its kind in state history. The Governor, Florida Senate President, Florida Speaker of the House and Florida Supreme Court Chief Justice named 36 people to the 2018 CRC. The Attorney General is the 37th member. The CRC meets for approximately one year, traveling the State of Florida, identifying issues, performing research and recommending changes to the Constitution. Any amendments proposed by the CRC are placed on the 2018 General Election ballot.

Proposed constitutional revisions on the ballot must secure at least 60 percent voter approval to become law. A formal report is submitted to the Florida Secretary of State and a list of the final revisions approved by the CRC is provided below; the full text of each revision is available on flcrc.gov.

This year, the 2018 CRC finished its work three weeks early amidst criticism over its decision to bundle 20-some ideas into eight initiatives for voters to decide. Critics say the logrolling of controversial and popular proposals into a take-it-or-leave-it proposal is unfair. They say the number of initiatives addressing more than one issue can create "ballot fatigue" while voters try to figure out what an initiative accomplishes.

The most controversial proposal was a plan to rewrite the way the state governs charter schools. Under current law, school boards approve and monitor all public schools within their counties, including privately-run charter schools that operate as public schools. Under the proposed constitutional amendment, the legislature could create a state-created entity to also control and approve charter schools, allowing charter schools to leapfrog over potential local opposition. It has been reported that this idea is opposed by school officials across the state.

The charter school proposal was bundled together with two less controversial ideas: a plan to limit school board members to eight-year terms, similar to the eight-year limit for the Legislature and state Cabinet and governor, and a proposal to direct the Legislature file legislation to "promote civic literacy in schools." Voters approve all of them with a single vote for any of them to take effect.

The charter school proposal was sponsored by Erika Donalds, a charter school activist who serves on the Collier County School Board. She argued that the proposal will encourage innovation in Florida schools and was needed to update an "antiquated" constitution. Donalds is a founding board member of Mason Classical Academy, a Hillsdale College public charter school in Collier County that is expanding to other parts of the state.

The final revisions approved by the CRC that will be on your ballot are:

1. Proposal 6001 inserts additional rights of crime victims in the Constitution similar to Marsy's Laws in six other states. It provides for victims the right to be heard in court and to be notified of bail and parole decisions. The measure also mandates how a judge interprets state law in disputes between an agency and private party and increases the retirement age for a judge.
2. Proposal 6002 is a three-pronged initiative that would require a supermajority vote of the Board of Governors and university trustees to raise existing fees or impose a new one, provide a governing system for the State College System and give college scholarships to survivors of certain first responders and members of the military.
3. Proposal 6003 combines term limits for school board members with a mandate to teach civic literacy in public schools and allows the state to approve and supervise charter schools instead of the local school board.
4. Proposal 6004 prohibits drilling for exploration and extraction of oil and natural gas in specified coastal waters and vaping in enclosed workspaces including restaurants.
5. Proposal 6005 moves the start of the Legislature's annual session to the first Monday in January of even-numbered years. The initiative would also establish a Department of Veterans Affairs in the Constitution, create an Office of Counterterrorism and require charter counties to elect their sheriff and tax collectors.
6. Proposal 6006 removes a couple of never enforced provisions in the Florida Constitution. A 1926 ban prohibiting

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Legislative Update continued...

immigrants not eligible for citizenship to own or inherit real property, known as an alien land law, was invalidated by the U.S. Supreme Court more than 60-years ago. Other states repealed their versions but Florida's law remains on the book. Proposal 6006 would remove it and another provision regarding the development of a high-speed ground transportation system from the state's governing document.

7. Proposal 6007 is an ethics package that would make state and local officials wait six years before they could begin lobbying the government for which they had worked. It also mandates that government officials are not to use their office to receive a "disproportionate benefit" for themselves or relatives. It would be up to the Florida Commission on Ethics to define a disproportionate benefit.

8. Proposal 6012 would phase out greyhound racing by 2020.

As informed voters, we have a great deal of information to review before the 2018 election! You will find the full text of each of these revisions at <https://flcrc.gov/>.

A Tribute to... Barbara Bush 1925 - 2018





Americanism

By Erin Casey



Martha McSally
U.S. House of Representatives

Congresswoman Martha McSally represents the people of Arizona's Second Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives. She serves on the Committees on Armed Services and Homeland Security and as the chair of the Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security. Representative McSally served 26 years in the U.S. Air Force, retiring in 2010 as a full Colonel. She is the first female fighter pilot to fly in combat and first to command a fighter squadron in combat in United States history. During her 26-year military career, she deployed six times to the Middle East and Afghanistan--flying 325 combat hours in the A-10 and earned a Bronze Star and 6 air medals.

In 1999, Rep. McSally was chosen to participate in the Air Force's Legislative Fellowship Program, serving on the staff of Senator Jon Kyl as national security advisor on issues including terrorism, cyber security, and missile defense. After serving as a Legislative Fellow, Rep. McSally was assigned to Saudi Arabia to oversee combat search and rescue operations over southern Iraq and Afghanistan. While there, Rep. McSally was on the leadership team that planned and executed the initial air campaign in Afghanistan after the 9/11 attacks.

Rep. McSally was born in 1966 in Warwick, Rhode Island, the youngest of five children. In 1978, her father, Bernard, a lawyer, died of a heart attack. Her mother, Eleanor, worked as a reading specialist to support the family. Rep. McSally graduated at the top of her class at St. Mary's Academy-Bay View (Riverside, RI) in 1984. She earned an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy, graduating in 1988. Rep. McSally holds Masters Degrees from Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government and the U.S. Air War College in Public Policy and Strategic Studies, where she graduated #1 in her class of 261 senior military officers. She is also a triathlete. She won the National Military Triathlon Championship multiple times and the Military Division of the grueling Hawaii Ironman Triathlon.

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Federated ladies met for the annual spring conference with the Florida Federation of Republican Women. From left to right are Rana Erbrick, Marilyn Kostik, Doris Cortese, Matt Caldwell, Mary Snyder, Missi Lastra, Kerri Tonkin, Mindy Moran and Gail Langner. The girls met many of the wonderful Republicans who are running for offices, from Governor to State Representatives. Matt is running for Agriculture Commissioner. It was a great time for all. The only problem is that we missed YOU!!! Join us for the next conference! Don't miss out!

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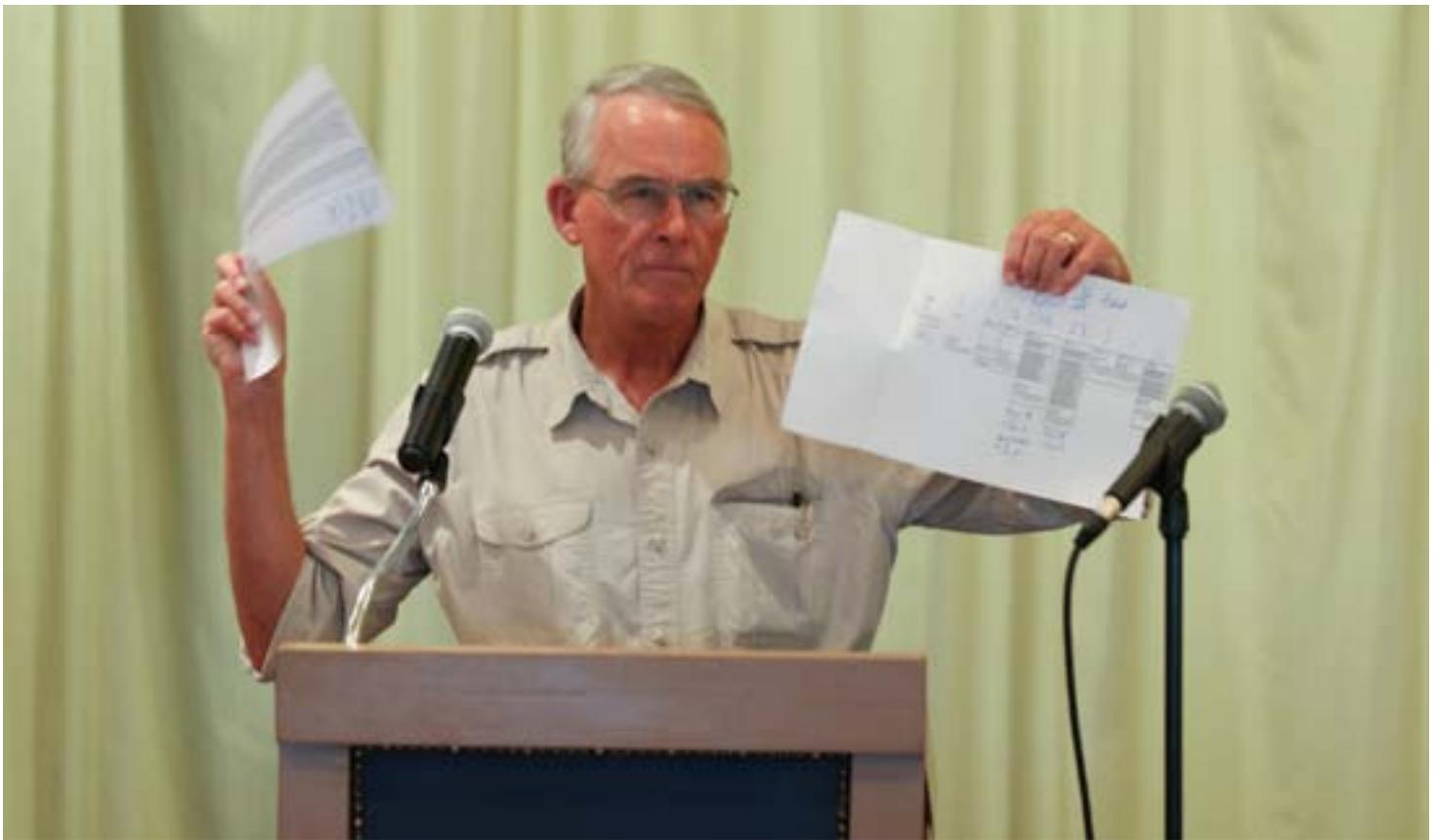
THE PREVIOUS MONTH IN PICTURES



Amira Fox, Assistant State Attorney, tells us why we should vote for her as a candidate for the position of State Attorney.



Spencer Roach, former field representative for Francis Rooney,..now a candidate for the Florida State Congress...spends time with Amira Fox, candidate for State Attorney.



*U.S. Representative Francis Rooney holds up papers to show the signatures of the congressmen that he got to join the bandwagon for term limits in congress!
Thank you Francis for working for the good of the people and NOT the swamp!*



Lori Fayhee, candidate for Lee County School Board, gives the opening prayer for our meeting!



*What a beautiful sight! Mother, Ashley Winstel, and daughter, Laura Winstel share in the wonderful experience of coming together to support the principals and policies of our Grand Old Party!
By the way, the mother and grandmother of Ashley and Laura is our very own First Vice President, Kerri Tonkin! Keep the spirit going ladies!*



*From left to right is Tory Renza, Membership Chair for Republican Women of Cape Coral Federated with Missi Lastra, President of the Republican Women of Cape Coral Federated!
Three cheers to our sister federated club....coming up on their 2nd anniversary!*



Heather Fitzenhagen, Florida State Congress, running for re-election and our “friendly neighborhood tax collector” Larry Hart! This is one tax collector that you’ve just gotta’ love!



Left to right are Doris Cortese, President of LRWF and Vice Chair of LCREC, Jonathan Martin, Chair of LCREC and Marilyn Kostic, Corresponding Secretary of LRWF. Jonathan walks softly and carries a BIG gavel!!

