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~ MONDAY ~ **JULY 9, 2012** Pinellas County Republican Executive Committee Meeting

6:00 p.m. Orientation 6:00 p.m. Judicial Forum 7:00 p.m. Meeting Begins

Guest Speaker: Bernie McCabe State Attorney for Sixth Judicial Circuit

St. Petersburg Marriott Clearwater 12600 Roosevelt Boulevard North St. Petersburg, FL 33716

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From the Desk of Chairman Jay J. Beyrouti



Dear fellow Repubhonored licans and friends:

I want to wish all of you a very happy Fourth of July.

During this national holiday, it is customary for family and friends to gather and enjoy a wonderful barbecue in the park, watch a parade and often end the day under a sky replete with fireworks. In a special, joyous way to celebrate the independence of our great nation, we honor our country's remarkable achievements and commitment to freedom and justice for all.

We rightfully take pleasure and pride in our country, and on this great day, we salute the brave men and women in uniform and the soldiers who put their lives on the line to protect and defend our liberty.

I know that for many of us in Florida and throughout this great land, these are too often times of anxiety due to the loss of jobs, unaffordable health care, and economic uncertainty. Our country faces an economy that is having trouble regaining its footing, a struggling international economic climate and the subsequent effects on our own, and a liberal political agenda with the pending effects it will have on our future. This is why it is so important in these challenging times to review the true meaning of celebrating the Fourth of

If we care for our country and our children's future, let's take a solemn oath this Fourth of July to stand up and reclaim our country.

We the people need to get involved in this presidential election. With our hard work and a solid conservative message we will prevail because when the people win, America wins.

We in this country are blessed with a Constitution and a Bill of Rights which secure our individual rights so they will not be infringed upon.

In closure I would invite you refer to the next page and reflect on these great words from The Declaration of Independence.

Jay Beyrouti, Chairman Pinellas County Republican Executive Committee

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Upcoming Events

Wednesday, July 4th Holiday – Office closed

Saturday July 7th Volunteer Super Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Monday, July 9th Judicial Candidate Forum 6:00 p.m. PCREC Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 29th PCREC Annual Picnic 1:00 0.m. @Banquet Masters (See flier page 5)

*Monday, August 6th
PCREC Meeting has
been moved up one week.
Guest Speaker: Deborah Clark,
Supervisor of Elections

Declaration of Independence

hen in the course of human events it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of nature and of $\mathbb N$ ature's God entitled them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the cause which impel them to the separation.

Ve hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of H appiness. — That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed,---That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it. And to institute a new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such a form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and H appiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Government long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable than to right themselves by abolishing their forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, It is

their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government. And to provide new Guards for their future security---Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States.

Guest Speaker Bernie McCabe

We welcome as our guest speaker for the PCREC meeting on Monday, July 9, 2012 State Attorney, Bernie McCabe. The State Attorney is the chief prosecutor for the Sixth Judicial Circuit, which includes both Pinellas and Pasco counties. He represents the state of Florida in that judicial court, and prosecutes or defends lawsuits, applications, or motions, whether civil or criminal, on behalf of the state. The State Attorney also handles some civil cases and it is the job of the State Attorney to review charges and complaints to determine whether they warrant prosecution and trial.

In addition to these duties, his office provides legal advice to law enforcement agencies within the circuit, working with the agencies to provide in-service training. His office handles over 132,000 criminal prosecution referrals annually, including felonies, misdemeanors and juveniles.



Clearwater—TJ Wolf, Field Director (727)600-6356 twolf@rpof.org

7:00 PM

6:30 PM

7:00 PM

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 * PCREC MEETING	*Young Republicans of Pinellas County	* St. Petersburg Republican Club	* Central Pinellas Republican Club	13	14
15	* Republican Club of Greater Largo	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 * The Ronald Reagan Republican Club of Pinellas County	25	26 * North Pinellas Republican Club * Tarpon Springs Republican Club	27	28
29	30	31				

HISPANIC REPUBLICAN CLUB OF PINELLAS (1st Monday of the Month) NO MEETING IN JULY

Guest Speaker:

Alessi's Grill and Bar, 9047 Martin Luther King, Jr. Rd. N., St. Petersburg, FL Location: Contact: President Chely Hernandez-Miller (727) 434-4008 hrcpc08@aol.com

www.HispanicRepublicanClub.com BELLEAIR WOMEN'S REPUBLICAN CLUB (1st Friday of the Month) NO MEETING IN JULY

RSVP at BWRClunch@mail.com or Pat at 595-1791 **Guest Speaker:** TBA

Location: Belleair Country Club, 1 Country Club Lane, Belleair, FL 33756

Contact: President Sandy Hutton (727) 776-0100 BWRC@PinellasRepublicans.com www.BelleairWomensRepublicanClub.com

MONDAY, JULY 9

SUNCOAST WOMEN'S REPUBLICAN CLUB

TO BE REORGANIZED PINELLAS COUNTY REPUBLICAN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING (2nd Monday of the Month)

Location: St. Petersburg Marriott Clearwater, 12600 Roosevelt Boulevard, St. Petersburg, FL 33716

Judicial Candidate Forum **Guest Speaker:**

www.PinellasRepublicans.com Contact: (727) 539-6009 info@PinellasRepublicans.com (2nd Tuesday of the Month) TUESDAY, JULY 10

PINELLAS COUNTY YOUNG REPUBLICANS Guest Speaker: TBA

Location: The Venue, 2675 Ulmerton Rd., Clearwater, Fl 33762

President Todd Jennings Contact: president@pinellasyrs.com

(2nd Wednesday of the Month) ST. PETERSBURG REPUBLICAN CLUB WEDNESDAY, JULY 11 7:00 PM

Guest Speaker: District 69 Candidate

Piccadilly Cafeteria, 1900 34th Street, St. Petersburg, FL 33713 Location:

President Gail Hebert (727) 526-2492 SPRC@PinellasRepublicans.com Contact:

CENTRAL PINELLAS REPUBLICAN CLUB (2nd Thursday of the Month) THURSDAY, JULY 12 NOON

Guest Speaker: Mariellena Stuart (11:30 AM if you plan on dining)

Location: Palace of the Orient, 10425 Park Blvd., across from Home Depot. In Seminole

(727) 397-3449 Contact: President Barbara Stephens CPRC@PinellasRepublicans.com

REPUBLICAN CLUB OF GREATER LARGO **MONDAY, JULY 16** (3rd Monday of the Month) 6:00 PM

Guest Speaker: Abraham Lincoln/Mac Norcross Community Service Award Alfano's Restaurant, 1702 Clearwater Largo Road, Clearwater, FL 33756 Location:

Contact: President Casey Cox (727) 480-9155 RCGL@PinellasRepublicans.com http://largorepublicans.com/

THE RONALD REAGAN REPUBLICAN CLUB OF PINELLAS COUNTY TUESDAY, JULY 24 (4th Tuesday of the Month)

Property Appreaiser, Pam Dubov **Guest Speaker:**

Location: Kally-K's Restaurant, 1600 Main Street, Dunedin

RCOTTW@PinellasRepublicans.com Contact: President Erwin Beck (727) 796-5775

NORTH PINELLAS REPUBLICAN CLUB (4th Thursday of the Month) THURSDAY, JULY 26 6:30 PM District 65 Candidate Forum

Guest Speaker: Palm Harbor Library, 2330 Nebraska Avenue Palm Harbor, FL 34683 Location:

(727) 784-4627 NPRC@PinellasRepublicans.com Contact: Pam McAloon

THURSDAY, JULY 26 TARPON SPRINGS REPULBICAN CLUB (4th Thursday of the Month) 7:00 PM

Guest Speaker: Congressman Gus Bilirakis

St. Petersburg College, Tarpon Springs Campus, Fine Arts Building (FA) room 132, 600 Klosterman Road, Tarpon Springs, FL 34689 Location: Contact: President Adelle Blackman (727) 938-5766 TSRC@PinellasRepublicans.com www. Tarpon Springs GOP. com

Circuit 6th Judicial Candidate Forum Prior to PCREC Meeting

The following Judicial candidates have been invited to attend a candidate forum at 6:00 pm prior to the PCREC meeting. The forum will be held in the same ballroom as the PCREC meeting. Listed below are duties of a circuit judge.

- Circuit Court Judges
- Preside over cases covering every aspect of life, from traffic offenses to serious crimes
- Preside over pretrial hearings and determine admissible evidence and if case merits trial
- Determine whether defendants held in jail or released on bail
- Instruct and direct juries on the laws relevant to the case
- In civil lawsuits, decide the case and decide amount of compensation
- After verdict, responsible for imposing sentences

6th Circuit Court Judge Group 2

Scott Andringa

- Served as intern with State Attorney's Office and United States Attorney's Office from 2004-2006; worked 13 years as prosecutor in Pinellas, Pasco and Monroe Counties
- Florida Supreme Court certified mediator in Circuit Civil, County and Family cases

Cathy McKyton

- Member of Florida Bar, and is licensed to practice in United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida.
- Has served as Assistant Statewide Prosecutor with Office of Attorney General Pam Bondi since 2004

6th Circuit Court Judge Group 15

Bill Burgess

- Board-certified by Florida Bar in Criminal Trial Law, an honor achieved by less than 400 of the more than 91,000 lawyers licensed to practice in Florida's courts.
- Has current bar memberships in Florida Bar, United States Middle District of Florida, St. Petersburg Bar Association and Clearwater Bar Association.

Andy Steingold

- Currently serves as Mayor of Safety Harbor
- Served as President of Pinellas Mayors' Council, Member of Pinellas Planning Council, Member of Metropolitan Planning Council for Pinellas, Member of Pinellas Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council, Member of Florida League of Mayors

6th Circuit Court Judge Group 31

Brian Battaglia

- appointed member of Town of Belleair's Planning and Zoning Board from 1997- 2000; Vice-Chair of Pinellas County Board of Adjustment December 2010 to October 2011; appointed and served on Florida Bar's Client Security Fund Committee from 2002- 2005
- received AV® Preeminent™ Peer Review Rating from Martindale-Hubbell -- the highest rating an attorney can receive from peers for legal ability and ethics

Kimberly Campbell

- served on board of Clearwater Bar Foundation, a pro bono attorney for low income families through Gulfcoast Legal Services, and member of the National Alliance on Mental Illness for Pinellas County.
- private practice with Thomas J. Donnelly practicing both criminal defense and family law

6th Circuit Court Judge Group 45

Judge Jack Day

- Judge Jack Day was elected to the 6th Circuit Court in 2006. Judge Day has presided over felony divisions in Clearwater and New Port Richey. Since 2008, he has served in United Family Court (UFC).
- Was a founding board member and treasurer of Gulf Coast Legal Services. He worked as a pro bono volunteer for the Community Law Program, which award his firm, Skipper and Day, its 2000 Law Firm Award for Outstanding Dedication

Agnes McCabe

- 27 years' experience as an Attorney; 12 Years as Assistant State Attorney, Pinellas and Pasco Counties
- Member of Florida Bar since 1994; Member of Georgia Bar since 1986

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State Committeeman and State Committeewoman

Many of us don't know much about this office. The names of those PCREC members who have qualified as candidates for State Committeeman and State Committeewoman will appear on the Republican Primary ballot in August. Since those elected will be representing the local party at the state level, it is important that we know their requirements and duties so we can make wise choices when we vote. The following facts will outline the Committeeman/woman responsibilities:

- They are the vital link between the Republican Party of Florida (RPOF) and the Pinellas County Republican Executive Committee (PCREC.)
- They are elected countywide during the 1st primary of a presidential election year and serve a four year term.
- They are considered by RPOF as County Party Representatives; not elected officials
- They attend the quarterly meetings of the RPOF and other meetings as required

Their responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Liaison between the RPOF and the PCREC
- Serve as at-large members of the PCREC.
- Assist and cooperate with district chairmen, county chairmen, and Party field directors in promoting seminars, caucuses and fund-raising events.
- As directed, share all correspondence, newsletters, information bulletins, etc. with officers and members of the PCREC
- Keep abreast and report to the RPOF on the Republican activity at the county level.
- Help establish programs and policies for the Republican Party of Florida.
- Assist in creating and implementing voter registration drives throughout the county.
- Relate activities within the county that may be harmful to the Party.
- May act as Spokesperson for the PCREC if there is a unified message agreed upon by the PCREC and/or the RPOF.

Who Are These People?

At our last PCREC meeting on June 11th we had more than 300 people in attendance, which included our membership, local candidates, the U.S. Senate candidates and employees from the office of the Supervisor of Elections. Did you ever think about who is responsible for all the details that go into creating a successful event? There are many un-sung volunteers who month after month perform their specific duties flawlessly.

Nina Pilon comes to headquarters the week before a PCREC meeting to make sure all the paperwork that will be needed for various groups to sign in, is organized and ready to be taken to the Marriott. She also prints the attendance list and verifies it is correct before taking it to the meeting. When you see the Minutes from the last meeting, the Treasures Report, Agenda and latest Newsletter all there for your convenience, please say thank you to Nina.

Lee Pilon is the man behind the scene who makes sure the signs and flags are displayed properly at all PCREC events. He brings the equipment with him to each meeting often arriving two hours ahead of time to get everything set up prior to the members arriving. After the meetings he retrieves the equipment and stores it until the next event. In addition to his duties as Sergeant of Arms, Lee is our "go to guy" when we need anything built or procured. He is indispensible to our operation.

Janice Hill is one of those ladies who can keep her cool under almost all circumstances. She is the person who checks members in at the PCREC meeting and has the wonderful capacity to remember names and faces. For many years we have depended on Janice to insure that our attendance is recorded correctly and that the determination of a quorum is reported. She works behind the scenes on special events and fundraisers, always maintaining a "can do" attitude and willingness to go the extra mile to make an event successful. Please say hello to her at the next meeting.

Sam McClelland is the man you see setting up and testing all the audio equipment during any PCREC event. Of course, this means a commitment to arriving early and leaving late to insure state of the art sound for our speakers as well as providing music and videos on many occasions. Not only does he give his time and talent to us, he also provides the equipment. He enjoys maintaining a low profile but we want you to know him and to appreciate what a valuable asset he is to our organization.



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