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August, 2022

A Message from Chairman, Buddy Bishop

MY FAVORITE ITEM FROM THE AUGUST 20TH 5TH CD MEETING

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Despite being assigned a part with Susan Lascolette on the agenda about a web survey I created at the request of 5th CD chairman Rick Buchanan for 5th CD unit chairmen to fill out, my favorite part was instead a presentation by former Virginia delegate Vance Wilkins.

BTW – if you want to see the 5th CD unit chair web survey, look here:
<https://goochland.gop/5th-cd-unit-chair-survey/>

I've seen former delegate Vance Wilkins many times over the years at the Virginia Tea Party Summit events. He always pontificates in response to the program. But this was the first time I keenly listened and took notes when he spoke. I'm glad I did.

Vance mentioned the experience of his first three losses in running for office. He then summarized the things he learned as a result:

- Thank everyone who helps you.
- As a candidate, you must always; and simply have to ask for:
 1. Help
 2. Money

Why? Well, for the party, for the state, to pursue what's right for better government. Vance said that you must build an organization. All the while... organize, organize, and...ASK!

He interestingly described the types of unit committee cultures he's observed. He found that there are units that will:

- Demand that you go through them first.
- Say – "We've always done it this way"
- Posture with "It's my way or the highway!"

Then again there is the rare unit that will say, "Ok. Pretty good. But we can do better!"

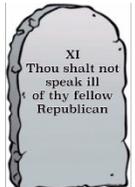
Vance advises that if someone agrees with you 85% of the time – keep em! If they ascribe to the "Creed", that is good enough too! In my case I've been somewhat dismayed that republicans fight more viciously among themselves that they will with democrats. I've thought through the idea of a civil protocol for intra party contests. Then, Vance reminded me of Ronald Reagans 11th commandment: "Thou shalt not speak evil of a fellow Republican". There really is not much more to add to that.

In getting prepared and trained for the campaign battle, Vance advises that training be worse than the real battle because only this can facilitate the win. It's an advanced thought actually. Think about it.

Vance had a lot of ideas he concluded his presentation with like: Establish a tri-fold brochure for your campaign or committee. Adapt RPV guidance publications to be unit committee specific. Put things in place that will last and be permanent. He also advised "Find a successor". I'm listening to that. I'm also considering it for BOS and SB who might perhaps be considering departing a historic and solid and successful Goochland Revolution!

So fellow committee members. I think we can do better. Oh, and be prepared for the ask!

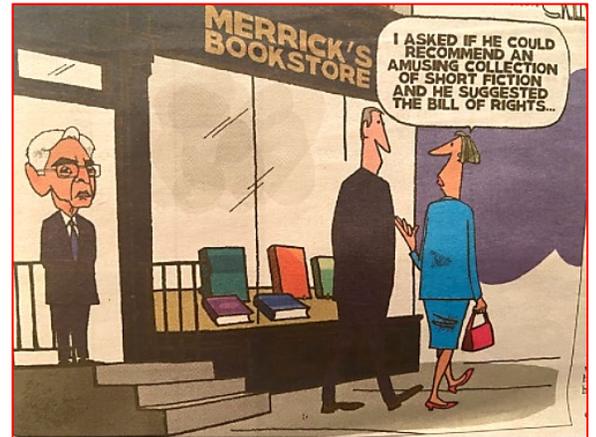
If you'd like to attend the next 5th CD business meeting, just **ask** me about it. It would be great to have you with us.



A Message from Committee Member, John D. Myers

COMMUNISM – COMING SOON TO A COMMUNITY NEAR YOU

Ask most Americans if they think the United States is moving toward Communism, and you will likely get strange looks, and perhaps thousands of different answers. Some people will ask you if that is the same as Socialism. In spite of the currently accepted explanation, which is under Communism, all property and economic resources are owned and controlled by the state, and under Socialism, all citizens share equally in economic resources as allocated by a democratically elected government. To that I say B.S. Communism and Socialism are one and the same. Back in the days of the old Soviet Union, elections were held periodically, but the leaders were always predetermined and they had no problems being referred to as Communists. Lenin, Stalin, Khrushchev, Brezhnev, Andropov, Chernenko and Gorbachev were all elected, but not necessarily by a willing electorate. In most cases, there was only one candidate on the ballot. These were not true elections. All were dictators, and as far as I'm concerned, any dictatorship is Communism, so that's the term I have chosen to use. Where there is a dictatorship, the people do not have the right for self-determination and self-rule. Other dictators have come to power by democratic vote. Julius Caesar, Napoleon Bonaparte, Adolf Hitler, and Hugo Chavez were all elected to power. But that power soon morphed into dictatorship.



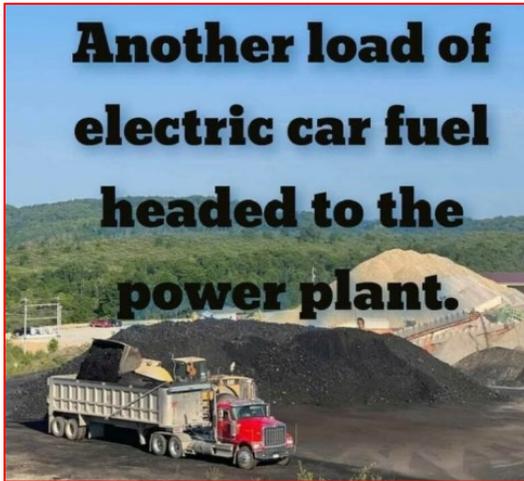
So, what has that to do with us here in the United States of America? We have a constitution and an elected government. Well, sort of. What we have is a government that ignores the Tenth Amendment whenever it wishes. That's the one that reads "The powers not delegated to the United States by this Constitution nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively or to the people." I have not found that Article or Amendment in the Constitution that permits the Federal government to have a retirement system, but it does. It's called the Federal Insurance Compensation Act (FICA), commonly referred to as Social Security. I have also come up short in determining where in the Constitution it can be found where the government can provide health insurance, but it does. In fact, there are several. Medicare, Medicaid, and Obamacare are all government run health plans. So why am I hand picking these programs? Aren't they beneficial? Well, yes and no. While many Americans benefit from government programs, like anything else handed out by Progressive politicians, they do not come without strings attached. We pay dearly to have these programs and while participation in them is voluntary, if you happen to work for a living, paying for them is mandatory. You have absolutely no right to option out of financially supporting them. Politicians who support these types of unconstitutional actions know that when they support them in Congress, few people will complain because there is this human tendency to want something for nothing, and government promises that over and over again. This is how Communism gets started. The "entitlements" mentioned above are only the tip of the iceberg. We are headed toward Communism.

Government has managed to intrude into every aspect of our lives. Agencies of our government like the Occupational Safety and Health Agency (OSHA), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) produce tens of thousands of regulations each year which rob us of the rights to make decisions regarding how we live our lives. Do we need government telling us what to do when our common sense does a better job? The Commies at the Capital just passed a seven hundred-billion-dollar spending bill which includes adding 87,000 agents to the Internal Revenue Service. Keep in mind that there currently are around 81,500 total IRS employees. Supposedly, these additional agents are needed to keep the billionaires from cheating Uncle Sam. Think there are 87,000 billionaires in the U.S.? In fact, less than 1% of Americans earn over \$500,000 per year. So, who the Hell are those additional 87k IRS agents going after? Hint: Look in the mirror! In a truly free society, we would be storming the streets at the thought of the government harassing us with tax collectors. Under Communism, it's just another day. Our Founding Fathers never thought that Congress, our Legislative Branch of government, would become so lazy and apathetic that they would rely on someone else to do their work for them. Each year, Congress passes laws which are published in volumes called the United State Code (USC). These laws



are printed on paper which makes a stack about 14 inches high. The various agencies created by Congress create regulations each year. The regulations are compiled in a volume called the United States Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). They are printed on a paper which makes a stack around **13 feet high**. The only difference between a law and a regulation is where it was created. Violate either and you will pay a fine or be put in prison or both. This is one of the methods that Communist governments control people – with hundreds of thousands of rules. Every time a new law or regulation passes, we lose one or more of our freedoms.

Remember when there was Election Day, rather than Election Month or Election Two Months or Election Quarter? With early voting, mail-in voting and other schemes, Communist politicians have completely corrupted our voting system. They claim they wanted to make it easier to vote. What they really mean is they want to make it easier to cheat. They feel all the illegal aliens, and other who believe in “Vote early and vote often”, will support the Communist Democrats. This is another Commie plot against our Republic. If you have not seen the Movie by Dinesh D’Souza, 2000 Mules, you should do so as soon as possible.



The Communists look out for each other and protect each other. By now, you have read about the raid on former President Donald Trump’s home in Mar-a-Largo Florida by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. They confiscated boxes of alleged confidential government documents. At this point we do not know for sure the true status of these documents, but for the sake of argument, let’s say they were legally taken. Back during the first Presidential term of Barack Obama, HilLiary Clinton Served as Secretary of State. It was reported that she had 114 secret documents on an unsecured server in her home. Where was the FBI raid on her home? And you may recall that the

minions in the press and broadcast media are suggesting that Donald Trump would not accept the results of the 2020 Election. However, where was all their hype when during the 2016 campaign, Ms. Clinton paid an ex-British Spy to invent the Russia Collusion Hoax. This continued even after the election. Wasn’t this a rejection of the election results?

Our government has decided that it can dictate which energy sources we will use, what our children will be taught in school, what types of cars we will drive, free education, healthcare, transportation, room and board for illegal aliens, what is and what is not newsworthy, how much of the money you earn that you can keep, how appliances are made, what food we can eat, how our farms are managed and what benefits our states are responsible for providing to the illegal aliens they are encouraging to come here. Does this sound like a Democratic Republic or a banana republic? This is Communism! People either love or hate Donald Trump. I am not sure anyone exists who doesn’t have any opinion of him. The terminally stupid, of which there are no shortage of in America, hate him because of his personality. They hate him because of his ego, his hair, his wealth, his arrogance... you name it. There is no logic associated with stupidity. However, the more informed of the evil people here don’t really care about any of that. **They hate him for one reason and one reason only. That is because he set back their agenda to convert our country to Communism.** That is what they want, and for four years he denied them of their hopes and dreams. But now that the Communist Democrats are back in power, it’s full steam ahead with their Communist agenda.

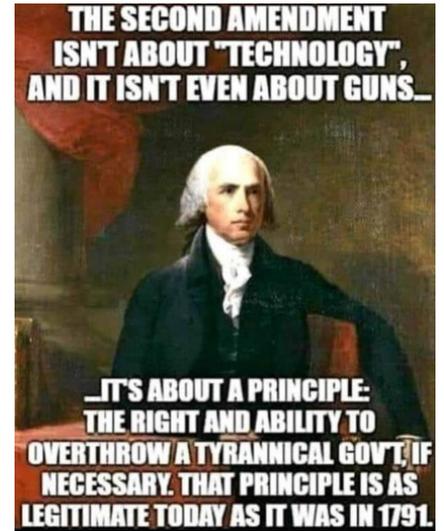
They want to take our firearms away. Trust me; it has absolutely nothing to do with protecting you from mass shootings. That can be addressed with common sense, but currently in short supply. An armed population is much more difficult to rob of its freedoms, so the Commies currently running our government use any excuse they can to convince us that the Second Amendment is now obsolete. Hold on to your guns! You may need them in case Civil War is our only remaining option.

So, what can we do? Short of a Civil War (which I don’t advocate, but definitely would participate), our options are not good. The vast



majority of the mainstream press and broadcast media is owned and operated by Communist leaning people. They essentially own the K12 public schools and institutions of higher learning. A study conducted a few years ago revealed that over 85% of college professors were liberal Democrats, in other words, Communists. If **conservative** Republicans do not win control of the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate in the 2022 mid-term elections, begin practicing addressing your friends as “Comrade”, because Communism is soon coming to a community near you.

John D. Myers,
Patriot and Revolutionist if Necessary



Red White and Brew!

GOOCHLAND ELECTION NETWORKING GROUP

Join us at RED, WHITE & BREW! A social to celebrate our Goochland volunteer efforts and get in gear to plan for the upcoming election season. The first 25 attendees receive a complimentary voucher for Noah's Rockin' Buns Food Truck. Space is limited, so please RSVP to this invitation or to Debbie Arnold at deb4speech@icloud.com by the deadline of Friday, September 2nd. We encourage you to bring a friend and wear RED! <http://evite.me/1q6r3drWme>



Way over there is where you go with your bullshit.



I used to be a normal person

Contributed by Ann James – actual author unknown

I used to think I was pretty much just a regular person, but I was born white, into a two-parent household which now, whether I like it or not, makes me privileged, a racist, and responsible for slavery.

I am a fiscal and moral conservative, which by today's standards, makes me a fascist because I plan, budget, and support myself.

I went to grade school and on through college and have always held a job. But I now find out that I am not here because I earned it, but because I was "advantaged".

I am heterosexual, which according to gay folks, now makes me a homophobe.

I am not a Muslim, which now labels me as an infidel.

I am retirement age, making me a useless drain on society who doesn't understand Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, or Snapchat.

I think, and I reason, and I doubt most of what the 'mainstream' media tells me, which makes me a right-wing conspiracy nut.

I am proud of my heritage and our inclusive culture, making me a xenophobe.

I believe in hard work, fair play, and fair reward according to each individual's merits and contributions, which today makes me an anti-socialist.

I believe our system guarantees freedom of effort - not freedom of outcome or subsidies which must make me a borderline sociopath.

I believe in the defense and protection of my nation for and by all citizens, now making me a militant.

I am proud of our flag, what it stands for, and the many who died to let it fly, so I stand during our National Anthem - so I must be a racist.

Please help me come to terms with the new me because I'm just not sure who I am anymore!

Funny - it all took place over the last decade!

If all this nonsense wasn't enough to deal with, now I don't even know which toilet to use... and these days I gotta go more frequently!

Recalling the Value of Electability – A Trump Assessment

Contributed and written by Robin Traywick Williams.

During his four years in office, President Trump accomplished many good things for the country and the cause of common sense in government. Pulling America back from the bane of globalism, as envisioned in the Great Reset, was one of the most important moves. Promoting energy independence gave America a strong economy and put the country in a powerful geostrategic position. Applying business principles to government enterprises and streamlining regulations were other important moves and led to the economic boom of the pre-Covid period. The appointment of three Supreme Court justices and hundreds of lower court judges provided sorely needed balance to the judiciary. And he taught Republicans they can fight back against the Left.

Mr. Trump did all that despite being harassed from start to finish by the Democrats, the Left and the media, a situation that continues today in the form of civil and criminal investigations in NY, Georgia, the Congress, and Biden's Justice Department. Republicans are rightly outraged by all that; each new attack propels his supporters to rally around him.

Mr. Trump's achievements and popularity would suggest that he is a good leader of the Republican Party, but in fact he is a damaging liability. It is time for Republicans to stop looking at Mr. Trump as a messianic leader and think about him in pragmatic terms.

His rejection of the 2020 election outcome and constant drumbeat of rigged elections has undermined faith in our electoral process and discouraged Republicans from voting. His stoking of a dangerous level of passion among his supporters led to the appalling spectacle of a third-world country's mob storming the Capitol; this failure of the most basic hallmark of the American Experiment, the peaceful transfer of power, frightened our citizens, shocked our allies, and damaged our standing abroad. He cost the Party control of the Senate in the Georgia runoffs, allowing President Biden to get approval for appointing far-Lefties to his Administration, putting Ketanji-Brown on the Supreme Court, and undoing much of the good Mr. Trump accomplished. He has divided the Party with his demands for absolute loyalty, putting candidates and office-holders in purple districts in an awkward position and jeopardizing winnable Republican campaigns.

Since 2020, Mr. Trump has focused all his attention on revenge and vindication. Predictably, this has divided the Party, weakening Republicans' chances for a return to Congressional control in the midterms and leaving the country open to two more years of devastation by the Biden Administration.

Selfishly, he has endorsed candidates based SOLELY on one criterion: their willingness to relitigate the 2020 election out of loyalty to him. While many of his chosen candidates are good conservatives who would support conservative values in office, many of them are weak candidates. They can't win. By listening to Trump's calls for loyalty, Republican voters are ignoring good conservative candidates who can win in November and instead nominating neophytes and extremists who are likely to lose winnable seats.

This is a rerun of 2010, when the country was so outraged by President Obama that the Republicans were expected to take both houses of Congress, only to lose the Senate by nominating ridiculous candidates. In Delaware, Republican primary voters famously rejected the seasoned former governor in favor of Christine O'Donnell, a nutcase who dabbled in witchcraft and spent her entire campaign on the defensive. "I'm not a witch" is not a winning campaign slogan.

Now we have Dr. Oz throwing away a Republican Senate seat in Pennsylvania to an extreme Leftist named Fetterman - a net gain for the Dems. Herschel Walker may be a fine person, but he is a weak candidate, even against the Leftist Warnock. J. D. Vance was a "Never Trumper" who did a 180 in a crowded primary field, netting Mr. Trump's endorsement and subsequently the nomination. But he's another neophyte struggling to take what should be a red seat. Those are all winnable, must-win seats for the Republicans. Maybe we will squeak out some wins, but it shouldn't even be close. If we lose them, blame Mr. Trump for endorsing people to salve his ego, rather than shrewdly picking winners.

The country is in a precarious position, but the first step to reclaiming America from the Left is to win elections. Even if the 2020 election were stolen, the solution is not to nominate "pure" but inexperienced candidates who can't win, the solution is to nominate strong, proven candidates who can win and give the Party the majority.

President Trump gave us America First and a template for fighting for our values, but since leaving office, his broad focus on America has been undercut by his narrow obsession with the 2020 election. For all the good he did, he is deeply flawed as a Party leader going forward. We should not follow him over the cliff.

That means, quit relitigating 2020. Retire the word "RINO". Welcome everyone who claims the tag Republican. Remember William F. Buckley, who said we should support the most conservative candidate who can win.

Editors' comments: I recall what 7th VA CD congressman Dave Brat said about Trump once at a GCRC business meeting another lifetime ago. I'm paraphrasing: *"I wish he had more of the temperament of a Presbyterian, but it's a sure thing that he will break up a lot of things in Washington. And that is a good thing."* To be up to date, Trump apparently now identifies as a non-denominational Christian. Anyway, Robin's views are not unique nor are they shared by all members of the GCRC. Despite his 'Bull in a China Shop' and unstatesmanlike-like style, the sense among many is strong that the 2020 election was fraudulent and if he is not on the 2024 ballot and the Republican nominee is a dud and unendorsed by Trump - he will set a new national record for Presidential election write-in candidate.

Then again, New York Democrat Pat Ryan recently narrowly beating Republican Marc Molinaro is likely the bell weather Robin is foreseeing. Time will tell the tale. What really matters? A local conservative sweep in Goochland 2023!

Events Calendar Highlights

These Events and more can be found on our website. Please check for updates and additions: <https://goochland.gov/events/>

August 25 @ 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Powhatan Ladies "Rally the Red" Dinner

Powhatan Ladies "Rally the Red" Dinner Thursday, August 25 at 7:00pm Bienvenue - 3841 Old Buckingham Rd, Powhatan Tickets \$75 per Person BobGoodForCongress.com/powhatan-dinner Wear your (optional) red hat and other red dinner attire as [...]

September 1 @ 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Goochland County Planning Commission Meeting

Goochland County Administration Building 1800 Sandy Hook Rd, Goochland, VA

September 6 @ 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm Goochland County Board of Supervisors Meeting

Goochland County Administration Building - Room 250 1800 Sandy Hook Road, Goochland, VA
Regular Meetings will be held here and start at 2PM, unless otherwise noted. Public Hearings, if any, will be held at 6 pm.

September 7 @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm RED WHITE AND BREW!

Midnight Brewery 2410 Granite Ridge Road, Rockville

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September 13 @ 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Goochland County Electoral Board Meeting

Goochland Office of the General Registrar 1876 Sandy Hook Road, Goochland, VA
Second Tuesday of each month at 6:00PM 1876 Sandy Hook Road

September 13 @ 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Goochland County School Board Meeting

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The School Board consists of five members each elected by our community to a four-year term. The School Board while responsible for the operation and progress of the school system, delegates authority for the division's daily operation [...]

September 17 @ 11:00 am - 3:00 pm Constitution Day Celebration! Goochland Tea Party

Food Lion Shopping Plaza Manakin Sabot 30 Broad Street Rd, Manakin Sabot, VA
The US Constitution is 235 years old! Come celebrate - Free Family Event! BBQ - Games - Constitution Booklets - Flag Etiquette

September 21 @ 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Goochland County Economic Development Authority Meeting

Goochland County Administration Building 1800 Sandy Hook Rd, Goochland, VA

September 21 @ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Goochland County Republican Committee Meeting

Goochland County Administration Building - Room 250 1800 Sandy Hook Road, Goochland, VA

September 24 @ 5:00 pm - 9:30 pm Family Foundation Gala - Ben Carson

Greater Richmond Convention Center 403 N. Third St, Richmond, VA
Save the Date - The Family Foundation Gala Saturday, September 24th Richmond, Virginia 4:45 pm VIP Reception 5:00 pm Private Photo Reception 6:30 pm Dinner

October 4 @ 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm Goochland County Board of Supervisors Meeting

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October 6 @ 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Goochland County Planning Commission Meeting

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October 11 @ 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Goochland County Electoral Board Meeting

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October 19 @ 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Goochland County Economic Development Authority Meeting

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November 8, 2022 Mid-Term Elections

- Absentee Voting begins: Friday, September 23, 2022
- Last day to register to vote or update voter registration: Monday, October 17, 2022
- Last day to request an absentee ballot to be mailed: Friday, October 28, 2022
- Open for Absentee Voting: Sunday, 12pm-4pm October 30, 2022
- Last day to vote Absentee In-Person: Saturday, November 5, 2022
- Election Day: Tuesday, November 8, 2022

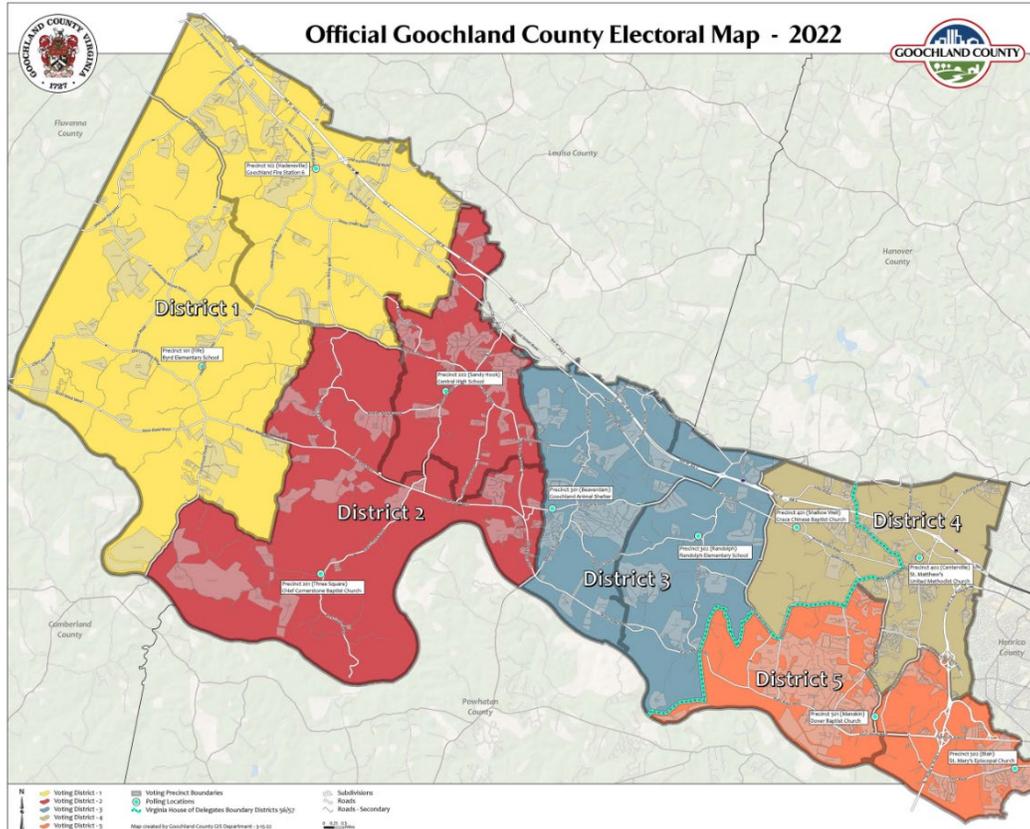
If you know anyone who needs to check their voting status or update their information, please direct them to the Virginia Department of Elections Citizen Portal website: <https://www.elections.virginia.gov/citizen-portal/>
For information on becoming an **Election Officer** or a **Poll Watcher**, please go to the Goochland County website to apply online: <https://va-goochlandcounty.civicplus.com/FormCenter/Registrar-17/Election-Officer-Application-73>

The basic requirements for Election Officers:

- Report to assigned polling place by 5:00AM
- Remain until all Election Day duties are completed at the end of the night (usually after 8:00PM)
- Serve and assist voters in a non-partisan manner
- Have basic computer skills, be able to stand or sit for long periods of time, and be able to lift 20 lbs.

If you sign on to be an election officer, training is coming in Sept. And Nov. If you would like to volunteer for poll watching inside or poll working outside, contact 2nd Vice Chair, Chuck Henley at henley925@hotmail.com.

Goochland County Voting District Map



Precinct Polling Locations

All this and more can be found on the Goochland County website:

<https://www.goochlandva.us/359/Elections-and-Voter-Registration>

0101 - FIFE PRECINCT

BYRD ELEMENTARY
2704 HADENSVILLE-FIFE RD
GOOCHLAND, VA 23063

0102 - HADENSVILLE PRECINCT

GOOCHLAND COMPANY 6 FIRE HOUSE
4810 THREE CHOPT RD
LOUISA, VA 23093

DISTRICT 2

0201 - THREE SQUARE PRECINCT

CHIEF CORNERSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH
4481 3 SQUARE RD

0202 - SANDY HOOK PRECINCT

CENTRAL HIGHSCHOOL CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL CENTER
2748 DOGTOWN RD

DISTRICT 3

0301 - BEAVERDAM PRECINCT

GOOCHLAND ANIMAL SHELTER
1900 HIDDEN ROCK LN
MAIDENS, VA 23102

0302 - RANDOLPH PRECINCT

RANDOLPH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
1552 SHEPPARD TOWN RD
CROZIER, VA 23039

DISTRICT 4

0401 - SHALLOW WELL PRECINCT

GRACE CHINESE BAPTIST CHURCH
850 BROAD STREET
MANAKIN-SABOT, VIRGINIA 23103

0402 - CENTERVILLE PRECINCT

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL
1706 ST. MATTHEWS LANE
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA 23233

DISTRICT 5

0501 - MANAKIN PRECINCT

DOVER BAPTIST CHURCH HERITAGE HALL
635 MANAKIN ROAD
MANAKIN-SABOT, VIRGINIA 23103

0502 - BLAIR PRECINCT

ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
12291 RIVER RD
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA 23238

Voting - General Information and Updates

THANK YOU TO GOOCHLAND GENERAL COUNTY REGISTRAR, RYAN MULLIGAN FOR ADDRESSING THE GCRC AT OUR AUGUST MEETING!

Goochland County General Registrar, Ryan Mulligan was a special guest at our meeting August 17th and spoke about the election in Goochland County. After speaking he answered questions from the committee members. He kindly encouraged any Goochland resident to contact him directly at his office with any other questions.

All his contact information, information on the Electoral Board, polling locations, districts maps and more can be found on the county website at <https://www.goochlandva.us/359/Elections-and-Voter-Registration>

Key points from Ryan -

- He encourages citizen involvement in our elections
- He emphasized that at no time should any voter feel as though they are being obstructed from voting. So anyone involved in the process should always be careful not to impede voters.
- All citizens working in the voter process should always have a polite calm demeanor.
- Provides clarity on the different roles of citizens in the election process;
 - **Election Officer (AKA Officer of Election)** works directly with the voters, checking them in, handing out ballots, etc. They are trained by the General Registrar's office. Their role is politically neutral, loyal to the General Registrar, regardless of political affiliation.
 - **Poll Watchers** work inside the polling area and outside the polling area. They are there to observe the process in the interest of their party. Poll Watchers should be trained by their political party.
 - Note on nomenclature: At GCRC, we sometimes delineate two rolls of poll watching using the terms “**Poll Watcher**” inside observers and “**Poll Workers**” or “**Campaign Workers**” who are outside in a designated Republican tent who are available to talk to voters who want to talk to them. Sometimes people might use the word “Poll Worker” to all workers, including Election Officers. It's always good to clarify when talking to others especially outside our committee.
 - **Chief Election Officer** – these people have specialized training and usually more tenure working in elections. Their role is to manage the whole process according to voting laws in a professional, calm and efficient manner. They are the only person who is designated to manage “de-escalation” of any grievances, whether that be from voters or workers of any capacity at the election site. Reports of irregularities or general questions should only be directed to the Chief.
 - Before working at the polling place, make certain you know who the Chief is. A question was raised about how the chief is identifiable and the answer was not clear. So, it would be best to ask if you don't know.
- Ryan stated that he feels confident with his number of election officers he currently has for this election and that if anyone still applies, he might not contact them.
- He would prefer that anyone interested in becoming an EO go through their party. The reason being is that after he receives an application, he still needs to send it to the party chairs so that they can verify their political party standing. But anyone can still submit application on the county website and he can forward that to the respective party chair for verification.
- The question was raised whether he had equal Democrats and Republican EOs and he indicated that was pretty sure that he does.
- If he has more EOs than he needs, he will give preference for EOs working during early voting.
- A question was raised about non-Goochland residents working in Goochland polls. Ryan indicated that in the past there may have been election officers who previously resided in Goochland who worked in the Goochland elections, perhaps if he had fewer volunteers. He confirmed that preference would be given to Goochland residents over non-Goochland residents.

- The dates for County Registrar’s training for Election Officers has not been finalized. The strategy is to wait until a few weeks before voting starts in case there are any clarifications or changes to voting. If there were to be a change, they would have to call everyone back for revised training.
- Same Day voter registration will be handled only by the Registrar’s office. These people will fill out a provisional ballot at that time in the Registrar’s office. Their name will be uploaded to the voter roll indicating that they already voted and they will not be able to vote at a polling place.
- If you live in an area where you’ve been re-districted, new voter cards will be sent in early September. Remember to check the county’s website this information as well.
- Mail-in ballots must be postmarked by Election Day. Due to the holiday, he will confirm what date exactly this will be.
- By technical definition, Goochland County does not have “drop boxes” for ballots. They have “drop off locations.” These are inside and secure overnight.
- We will have one Sunday during early voting. This will be a couple weeks before Election Day at the early voting location and it will last 4 hours. Confirmation on this to come.

GCRC News and Announcements

- The Goochland County Republican Committee bylaws are being reviewed and revised by the executive committee. They will be sent via email to all committee members to review before a committee vote will be required to adopt any changes.
- Due to unexpected work commitments, Mark Goynes will be stepping down as District 4 Chair. He will still be the Poll Chair for District 4 during the election season. Mark is deeply appreciated for his jovial enthusiasm and wit!
- Bob Good signs – 4x4’s and 4x8’s have been ordered and are expected at any moment. There are plenty of yard signs! Put your request in here: <https://goochland.gop/2022/07/22/get-the-good-sign/>
- By committee vote, it has been decided that after the September business meeting on 9/21/22, committee members have the option of attending a special presentation on voter integrity in room 270 at 8:00pm – immediately following the GCRC September business meeting. The material will be presented by committee member Mike Sheliga.
- Angela Allen held a Time of Prayer on Sunday August 21st at 5PM which was an informal gathering at the Goochland Middle School/High School Complex. Angela stated that this is not related to her role as a member of the school board. *(This event occurred before the newsletter was released)*
- It was announced that Goochland Tea Party Tent will be up and running every Saturday from 10am-4pm at the Food Lion Shopping Center in Centerville from now until the election.
- John Myers announced that the Goochland American Legion Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday August 20th starting at 4:00. \$10 for spaghetti, salad, and garlic bread! *(This event occurred before the newsletter was released)*
- Sylvia Diersen announced the Family Foundation Gala with Ben Carson as Keynote Speaker. Last year 70 Goochland patriots attended! And she would like to get at least that many again this year!
- Sylvia also announced the Family Fun Free Event to Celebrate the Constitution Day on Saturday September 17, 11am-3pm at the Food Lion Shopping Center. Family BBQ, games, pocket constitutions, flag etiquette and more!

Congressman Bob Good

CONGRESSMAN GOOD OPPOSES THE INFLATION REDUCTION ACT

August 12, 2022 **WASHINGTON, D.C.** - Congressman Bob Good (VA-05) voted against H.R. 5376, the so-called Inflation Reduction Act today and issued the following statement: "This economically reckless 'Inflation and IRS Expansion Act' will raise taxes, increase energy prices, create a slush fund for alternative 'green' energy companies, and expand Obamacare subsidies. Even worse, it further weaponizes Washington against the American people by doubling the size of the IRS – adding 87,000 new agents to target hardworking Americans via increased taxation and more aggressive enforcement," said **Congressman Good**.

"Speaker Pelosi hurriedly called us back to Washington because she knows Build Back Bankrupt 2.0 would not stand up to scrutiny by the American people if they waited till after Labor Day to vote on it. Meanwhile, there is an invasion on our Southern Border. The price of food, clothing and rent is still on the rise. Our military is suffering a recruiting crisis because of mandates and misplaced priorities. And, our kids are being sent back to schools who are more concerned about indoctrination than excellent education."

"It's bad enough that President Biden and the Democrats in Congress are completely out-of-touch, but their radical agenda is going to further punish Americans who are suffering under their policies."

CONGRESSMAN GOOD POSTS ON GETTR!

Congressman Bob Good @RepBobGood · Aug 10

The Inflation and IRS Expansion Act will raise taxes on the middle class, increase energy prices, put money in the pockets of big health insurance companies, and subsidize electric vehicles for the rich.



Rep. Good: IRS Will Eventually Target Middle Class
With the Inflation Reduction Act on its way over to the House for a vote, NTD spoke with ...

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Congressman Bob Good @RepBobGood · Aug 4

Sadly, the 5th District is in dire need of daytime care for adults with special needs who are aging out of the Virginian school system's special education programs. I had the privilege of touring Harmony Day Support to see the great work being done there to care for the clients entrusted to them.



“**MAKING ABORTION EASIER BY MAIL IS A MORAL TRAVESTY. MAY GOD HAVE MERCY ON OUR COUNTRY.**”

— REP. BOB GOOD



Rep. Good to Newsmax: Biden Admin 'Lying' About Having No Input Into Mar-a-Lago Raid



AMERICAN AGENDA **FBI RAIDS TRUMP'S MAR-A-LAGO ESTATE**

12:08 MT LIVE | FORMER NYC COMMISSIONER TO NEWSMAX: 'WE'RE INSULTED' BY INFLATION REI

(Newsmax/"American Agenda")

By Jay Clemons | Wednesday, 10 August 2022 04:06 PM EDT

Constitution Day

MANY THANKS TO SYLVIA DIERSEN, FOR REMINDING US OF THE HISTORY AND FACTS ABOUT CONSTITUTION DAY

On September 17, 1787, 235 years ago, 39 brave men signed the United States Constitution. The Constitutional Convention had convened May 25, 1787 with the purpose of revising the Articles of Confederation. It soon became apparent that an entirely new document needed to be drafted. The 55 delegates (representing the original 13 colonies except Rhode Island) deliberated throughout the summer, and on September 15 the draft Constitution won unanimous approval of the State Delegations. Thirty-nine of the delegates from 12 states signed the Constitution on September 17, 1787. George Washington was the first to sign. After ratification, the Constitution became the law of the land in 1789.

Excerpt from Library of Congress website: "Constitution Day and Citizenship Day" is observed each year on September 17 to commemorate the **signing of the Constitution on September 17, 1787**, and "recognize all who, by coming of age or by naturalization, have become citizens."

This commemoration had its origin in **1940**, when Congress passed a joint resolution authorizing and requesting the President to issue annually a proclamation setting aside the third Sunday in May for the public recognition of all who had attained the status of American citizenship. The designation for this day was "I Am An American Day."

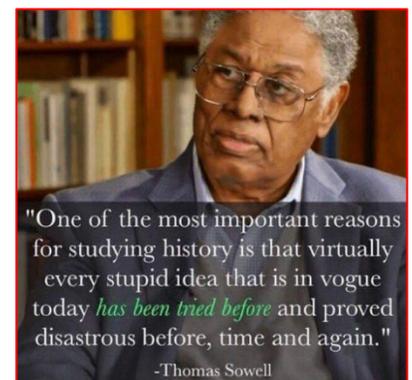
In **1952** Congress repealed this joint resolution and passed a new law moving the date to September 17 to commemorate "the formation and signing, on September 17, 1787, of the Constitution of the United States." The day was still designated as "Citizenship Day" and retained its original purpose of recognizing all those who had attained American citizenship. This law urged civil and educational authorities of states, counties, cities, and towns to make plans for the proper observance of the day and "**for the complete instruction of citizens in their responsibilities and opportunities as citizens of the United States** and of the State and locality in which they reside."

In **2004** under Senator Byrd's urging, Congress changed the designation of this day to "Constitution Day and Citizenship Day" and added two new requirements in the commemoration of this Day. President Bush signed this bill into law in December 2004.

1. The first is that the head of every federal agency provide each employee with educational and training materials concerning the Constitution on September 17th.
2. The second is that each **educational institution which receives Federal funds should hold a program for students every September 17th.**

36 U.S. Code § 106 - Constitution Day and Citizenship Day – Key Requirements

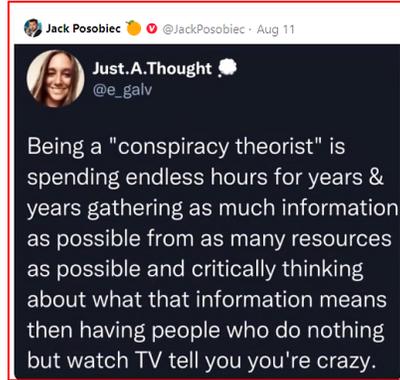
- "Each educational institution that receives Federal funds for a fiscal year shall hold an educational program on the United States Constitution on September 17 of such year for the students served by the educational institution."
- "The civil and educational authorities of States, counties, cities, and towns are urged to make plans for the proper observance of Constitution Day and Citizenship Day and for the complete instruction of citizens in their responsibilities and opportunities as citizens of the United States and of the State and locality in which they reside."
- "The head of each Federal agency or department shall provide each new employee of the agency or department with educational and training materials concerning the United States Constitution as part of the orientation materials provided to the new employee; and provide educational and training materials concerning the United States Constitution to each employee of the agency or department on September 17 of each year."



The Case for Conspiracy Theories

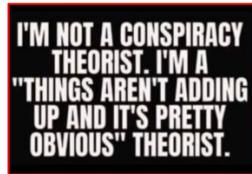
So, do they mean a “theory about a conspiracy”? Or is it a “conspiracy to promote a theory”? Not even sure what the Marxists mean. However, it is clearly understood that the term is intended to discredit people who believe a narrative not approved by the Democrat Communists and their corporate media sycophants.

There used to be real journalists and they all followed a strict code of ethics, reporting double verified facts without political bias. If they had political bias, their writing was called an opinion piece, not the news! And everyone knew the difference. Now you can hardly believe anything on face value because of the political bias. Even conservative news can be suspect because controlled opposition is also a communist strategy!



makes for good laughs.

The good news is that polling shows that most Americans don't trust the media. When low information lefties go on rants on social media, they just become more fodder for the cultural war entertainment value. Every day, Democrats make fools of themselves on social media and it gets passed around conservative websites for laughs! That gives the Dems negative political capital.

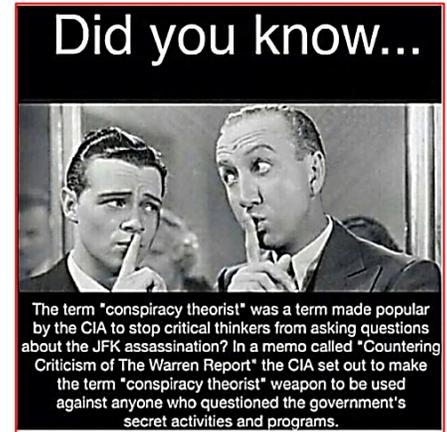


While the state of this country is dire, none of their policies are sustainable. Nor are they popular. It's ironic with all the screaming about “democracy” that the Dems turn out legislation that is unpopular with their constituents! The regime's new laws count on spending “money” that doesn't exist paid for by our descendants who might not yet exist. They will crush the middle class with their inflation, threaten taxpayers with an armed IRS almost the size of the US Marine Corps as the federal goon squad treats conservatives as second class citizens in unconstitutional raids and kangaroo courts.

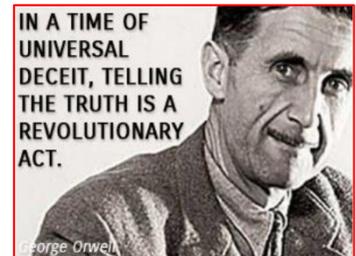
Every month 200,000 economic immigrants with little understanding of our language or culture are invading our southern border at the invitation of Joe Biden. They're fleeing corruption, being savaged along the way by the cartels who have been allowed to control the government in Mexico while encroaching on American soil with forward operating bases. Once the illegal aliens arrive, they will be unprepared to meaningfully participate in our economy. Poison drugs, courtesy of the cartels are pouring across with them and killing over 100,000 Americans a year. Slavery via human trafficking and racist ideology is being encouraged by our government while small children are being exposed to deviant sexual content and taught false history in our government schools. There is abundant evidence showing that Joe Biden is compromised by the CCP. Never before has one president done so much harm to the country in such a short period of time.

If the mid-terms result in the kind of gains in congress to legally hold the Democrats accountable and defund their current policies, this country will definitely be a better place for everyone. But the problem is never going to be 100% solved by politics. As we all know, the problem is cultural and our culture has been eroding over many years as unsuspecting people trade their rights and liberties for materialism and perceived security from the government. Even if the political pendulum swings far right for the next couple years, we will always be in danger of communist infiltration preying on the hearts and minds of people who don't truly understand the power of Judeo-Christian values upon which our country was founded.

Contrary to what fake news and social media conveys, the vast majority of Americans have the values to keep this country great and support our constitution. And they're the type of people who aren't going to fall for the con-job of Marxism and propaganda. You can recognize them by their conspiracy theories!



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