

# Patriot's Voice



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## The 3rd Annual Grand Old Picnic: A Resounding Success!

We are thrilled to announce that the 3rd Annual Grand Old Picnic surpassed our fundraising goals with ease. In fact, we even managed to slightly exceed our target! Now, the challenge before us is to raise the bar even higher for next year's event.

Following the conventions in May, we wasted no time in launching the planning and arrangements for this year's picnic. One aspect that contributed to our success was securing the services of the incredible catering team at "Smok-N-Pigz". Despite the short timeframe, they stepped up and ensured that our volunteers could truly enjoy the event instead of toiling away throughout. A satisfied and well-fed team of volunteers makes all the difference!

Of course, what's a picnic without fantastic live music? Thanks to the incredible talent of "Whiskey Bizness", our attendees were treated to an unforgettable musical experience. And let's not forget the venue itself—Rassawek Vineyard provided us with unparalleled beauty and perfect weather, creating an idyllic setting for our gathering.

To all our guests, volunteers, and speakers—especially Angela Allen, whose motivational speech left a lasting impact—we extend our heartfelt thanks. Your presence and support made this event truly memorable.

With a full slate of local Republican candidates and a successful fundraiser under our belt, the Grand Old Picnic proved to be a resounding triumph! We look forward to the future as we continue to strengthen local conservative government in Goochland and advance our shared and imperative values.



# Bias and Censorship Unmasked at the Pinnacle of the GCRC!

## GCRC CHAIR BUDDY BISHOP

Prepare yourself for a short yet quirky journey as I unravel the subject of this article. But before we dive into that, let me share a couple of tiny stories. Trust me, they'll make sense eventually, despite their seemingly unrelated nature.

### Story #1: The Great Ice Cream Deception

Once upon a time, in the distant year of 1997, I sent an email with the tantalizing subject line: "Free Ice-Cream!"

To my amazement, almost the entire college eagerly and rapidly opened it, hoping for a frosty treat. Little did they know that beneath the surface of their excitement lay a hidden agenda—a totally unrelated message I needed them to know about. This was before any notion of "Click-Bait" was known. Alas, their enthusiastic responses were solely focused on one thing:

"Where's my ice cream?!" was the typical reply. They pretended to miss the crucial point I was trying to make.

Ah, the power of dessert-based deception!

### Story #2: The Eccentric Computer Guy

Picture me, the quirky lead computer technician at a local community college. Armed with wit and a knack for fixing desktop mishaps, I entertained the masses as I resolved their problems. People saw me as funny and confident, but little did they suspect that I was really quite aloof and bizarre. Much more so than I am now.

One fateful day in the computer lab, while repairing a laser printer that students were standing in line to use, I encountered a new student. There was something captivating about her. She possessed a rare quality—a quick wit and an ability to understand my references and jokes. It was a connection that defied the ordinary. She asked if I would be in the lab the following day. Naturally, I would be – whether I needed to be or not. But when the day arrived, she was nowhere to be found. Confused, I returned to my office and stumbled upon an email from the college president. It revealed a tragic traffic accident the previous night near the exit leading to Parham Road. The collision had claimed the life of a new student—Yes. It was her. It was a heartbreaking moment that finally prompted the installation of a traffic light. Sometimes, we only learn from tragedy. Now, how do these seemingly unrelated stories tie into the headline of "Bias and Censorship Unmasked at the Pinnacle of the GCRC!?" Well, that's where I come into play. As the GCRC Chairman, I represent the so-called highest level. Just like the deceptive ice cream email, I may have captured your attention with this headline. Intrigued? Keep reading.



**Let me be upfront: I am biased and have the capacity for censor-mindedness. But fear not! The explanation is next.**

When we embarked on this newsletter endeavor, we all dived in headfirst, committed to its creation and continuity. We owe much credit to Sheila McGovern, who diligently built it up and made it visually interesting. Together, we added articles, images, and I took on the role of the occasional editor, ensuring its digital publication, typically on the last day of the month.

And let's not forget the creative genius of John Myers, whose contributions injected the newsletter with lively and sharp commentary. Fast forward to today—we are now celebrating our 24th edition! That's right, two years of engaging newsletters!

But much like a long-overdue traffic light, we have come to a realization. Now that we have a formal sub-committee that oversees the newsletter, we must provide clearer guidance on the submission and inclusion of articles we feature in the esteemed Patriot's Voice newsletter. Rest assured, we've taken the necessary steps and outlined our guidelines.

It is not as good as Ice-Cream, but visit the following webpage for information on submitting articles to our newsletter:

<https://goochland.gop/gcrc-newsletter/> You'll find the new guidelines at the bottom of the page.

# The Root of All Evil

## THE INCOMPARABLE AND IRASCIBLE JOHN MYERS

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It has been said that money is the root of all evil. Others say that the love of money is the root of all evil. I disagree with both premises. There are many people who have acquired enough money to live comfortably without resorting to illicit or unethical means. While it is true that many people have done horrible things for financial gain, those deeds could not contribute to all of the agony that citizens of our country have had to endure. I am referring to citizens of the United States, because, frankly, I don't give a hoot about those outside of our country.

The U. S. Constitution clearly identifies our rights and freedoms. Hundreds of thousands of our citizens gave their lives in wars so that we may continue to have them. However, over the years, new laws, or intentional ignoring of our current laws, have eroded those rights and freedoms. So, who is to blame? To me, that's the easy part. The hard part is changing things back to normalcy.

Slavery, while a part of our history, was an abomination. So, who worked to preserve it? Democrats, that's who. So determined were they to keep that status quo, they attempted to secede from the Union by forming the Confederate States of America. Of course, the Civil War negated their efforts and slaves were set free, under Republican President Abraham Lincoln.

This was only the beginning of their misdeeds. Still angry from their defeat in the Civil War which ended in 1865, the Democrats, who had regained control of all the Southern states after Reconstruction, found a way to keep black people in "virtual slavery" for almost another 100 years through segregation. Now to be fair, Republicans did not have totally clean hands during this time. As segregation became a reality in the South, Republicans in other states pretty much looked the other way. In fact, Republican William Taft ran on a segregationist platform when he ran for President and won in 1908 and when he ran for reelection in 1912 and lost to Democrat Woodrow Wilson (who pledged to end segregation but reneged). But there is no evidence that Republicans made laws creating and upholding segregation as the Democrats did.

All of this evil doing in the early days by Democrats primarily affected black people, and to some degree, Native Americans, Asians and other ethnic minorities. Today, no one is immune to their nefarious actions. So just who or what is the Democratic Party? It is not just a bunch of people who are members of the Democratic National Committee, Democratic State Committees, or local Democratic Committees. Its tentacles stretch far and wide. Today's Democrats would put to shame the evil organizations of Joseph Stalin, Adolph Hitler, Mao Tse Tung or even Ghenghis Kahn. Democrats have always been effective at getting others to do their dirty work. After the Civil War, there was a law prohibiting former officers of the Confederate Army to associate. They chose to do so in spite of the law by dressing up in white robes and hoods. They adopted the name Ku Klux Klan, and carried out terrorist activities against freed black people and any white people who helped them. Yes, the Klan was an early arm of the Democratic Party.

While today's Democrats don't rely on lynchings, church burnings and cross burnings that we know of, their tactics are still evil and destructive. Democrats have infiltrated virtually every type of organization in America and poisoned our federal government. While the following is not complete, you will get an idea of how they operate.

When Republican presidents nominate Supreme Court judges, they select those who they know will base their rulings on the U.S. Constitution. Not so when the nation's highest office is held by a member of the jackass party. Democratic presidents nominate judges



**Anyone else notice... Biden people don't post things to support their candidate. They only post hate against Trump.**



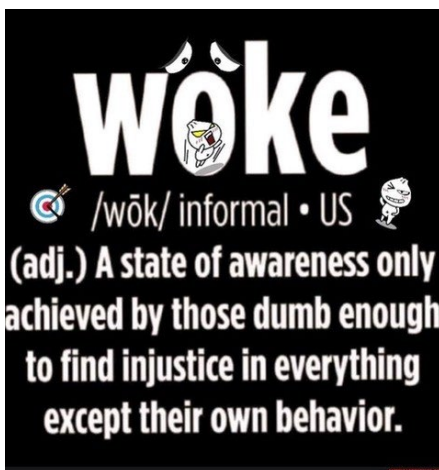
who will do their bidding for them. Ever wonder why all the important Supreme Court rulings are voted on along the lines of the party of the president who nominated them?

Organized labor is simply a money laundering scheme used by the Democrats. That term was used by the late Rush Limbaugh, and I agree with it completely. The unions collect tens of millions of dollars through union members' dues. The Union bosses live well, while the workers who have to go on strike receive barely enough to feed their families. Union money, which comes from union dues goes to support Democratic candidates, who in turn, support legislation which favors organized labor. The Teachers Union is also a part of this scam.

Public Education is another sector which has been totally corrupted by the Democrats. While there are many studies on the political inclinations of public K12 teachers, all agree that a huge majority are Democrats. That is why B.S. like equity, Critical Race Theory, Socialism, transgender acceptance, abortion rights, climate change and other liberal garbage is spoon fed to your children and grandchildren. Want to go to a PTA meeting and protest? You may get labeled as a domestic terrorist. While children in China are learning calculus, physics, chemistry, nucleonics and engineering, American children are learning that little Tommy can be little Suzy any time he wants to. That is what the Democrats have done to our schools. Higher education is no different. A substantially higher percentage of college professors are Democrats than are Republicans, and the liberal indoctrination is just elevated. They are not taught how to think, but what to think. Unfortunately, they are creating future generations of Americans who confuse Socialism and Communism with virtue.

**Fellow Goochlanders, pay attention to what's going on in our schools!**

The news media is probably the strongest arm of the Democratic Party. Journalism in America is dead and buried! Truth is irrelevant. Truth is what the Democratic Party says it is. When there is a mass shooting, they all agree that gun control will solve that problem. When there is a hurricane, tornado, or flood, those can be solved by giving up your fossil fueled automobiles and homes. Put those solar panels in your roof and let your neighbors pay for them when you get your government grant. Everyone is entitled to free medical care and abortions. And don't be concerned that our federal government cannot balance a budget, deliver your mail on time, or secure our borders, they will have you believe that they are quite effective at controlling the weather. Trust the Democrats and give them more power. There will be a chicken in every pot! Republicans are racists, homophobes, xenophobes, misogynists and every other thing the Democratic Party says they are. Joe, Chuck, Nancy – did we leave anything out?



And while the majority of women in America vote Democrat, their party has declared war against women's sports by allowing "transgendered" males, most of whom did poorly or no better than average in men's competition, compete in women's sports. Sound fair to you? Who in the Democratic Party speaks out about this? While I am on the subject of transgenders, let me "P.O." a few people. There is no such thing as a transgender person. That word suggests that a person's sex has actually changed. There has never been a man altered to function as a woman, nor a woman altered to function as a man. No man has ever had a baby and no woman has ever fathered a child. While people can alter their appearance and lifestyles, they can fool themselves and other idiots, but they cannot fool Mother Nature. Democrats are the ones pushing this crap.

Social Media is the latest Democratic tentacle. Until Elon Musk bought Twitter and began to attempt to make it a fair platform for all, every social media company censored conservative speech and pushed liberal pigeon droppings. Facebook, run by Uber liberal billionaire Mark Zuckerberg, is at least partially influenced by the Democratic Party. Snapchat, Instagram and YouTube are influenced by the Democrats. Since TikTok is also influenced by the Chinese Communist Party, the Dems

have less influence on that one (I think). Users of social media tend to be younger people. What better way to spread propaganda than to an audience eager to listen?

The Federal Bureau of Investigation is supposed to be our premier law enforcement agency. While many say it's corruption began with former FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover, his shenanigans were no match for the evil that our nation's top investigative agency has done in recent years. It has become a main tool of the Democratic Party. You may recall the "Russia Collusion" accusations by the FBI of Donald Trump. They used a Hillary Clinton-paid-for dossier, fabricated by ex British Secret Service Agent Christopher Steele, to secure several Federal Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) warrants to spy on a Trump supporter by the name of Carter Page, and the former President. Even after any collusion with Russian by Donald Trump being totally proven to be false by the Durham Report, Democrats still tell the lie to anyone who they think will believe it. Unfortunately, many still do.

Many agencies of our Federal Government have become part of the big government, freedom destroying, socialist agenda. The Environmental Protection Agency creates thousands of regulations by unelected officials that dictate what you can and cannot do while forcing you to spend far more money in order to comply. The Occupational Health and Safety Administration does the same with small businesses and large corporations.

And now they want to pass another Green New Deal at an estimated cost of \$93 trillion. I am not making this stuff up! How many freedoms, including freedoms of choice, do you think this will destroy?

The Democratic Party is especially adept at keeping the nation divided. This is a tactic taken straight out of the Communist playbook. The myth that racism is alive and well in America is because the Democratic Party makes sure it stays that way. I am not suggesting that there is no racism in America, but to listen to the Democrats, it's 1900 again. We are divided on virtually everything – religion, abortion, immigration, foreign policy, homosexuality, national defense, taxation, the Constitution, gun control, law enforcement and a host of other topics. **THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY COULD NOT EXIST WITHOUT CLASS WARFARE!**

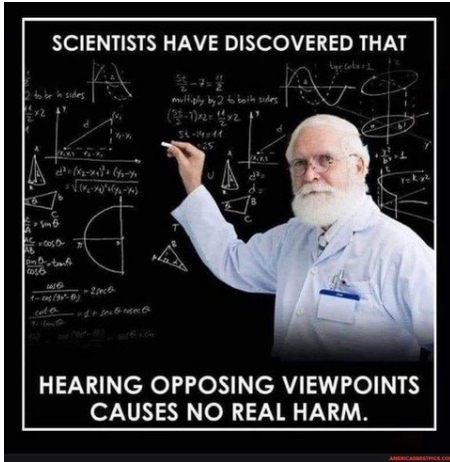
To understand what the motivation is, you have to understand the mentality of the Democratic Party. That truth of the matter is, they truly do not care about any of the crap they advocate. They don't care about preserving our freedoms, the environment, LGBT's, abortion, racial relations, jobs, the economy, immigrants, gun control or any of the other B.S. they espouse. They care about power, and they care about changing the United States of America to a Socialist/Communist country. All of the other crap is simply their way of maximizing their support. For every patriot in America, there is at least one ignorant person, who will believe virtually anything. In order to either get something for nothing, or a government that supports their warped sense of values, they will vote for anyone. Stupid people are short sighted. They only see one side of any issue, and that is the side they are on. They do not understand there are consequences for bad government.



Truth, as we know it, does not exist in the Democratic Party. The truth is a moving target. It is whatever you want someone to believe in order to gain their trust and support. You've heard the joke "How do you tell that a politician is lying?" Answer: "Their lips are moving." Unfortunately, when it comes to Democrats, it is quite true. Look at Joe Biden when he gets off script. Everything about the guy is a lie. The truth simply is not in him, or his colleagues. In his speech announcing that he is running for reelection, Biden had the audacity to suggest "MAGA" Republican extremists are trying to take our freedoms. The only freedoms he and his fellow Democrats want to protect are rights to unrestricted abortions, drug use and crime. In one Democratic controlled city, shoplifters can steal up to \$950 without penalty. They want to take away your

freedoms to choose what type of automobile you drive, how you heat and cool your home, and the right to decide what is good for your children.

The Democratic Party did not nominate and elect Joe Biden because of any perceived leadership abilities on his part. They did so because they know he is weak and does as they direct him to. During the campaign of 2019-2020, Biden pretended to be moderate as compared with the rest of the field of Commies. However, on day one, he began carrying out the missive of the far-left Democrats by ending drilling for petroleum and natural gas on federal land, ending construction of the border wall, and resuming the Obama era open borders policies.



Biden's Democrats renewed the open-door policy to illegal immigration, initiated during the Obama Administration and slowed down during the Trump administration. Think this had anything to do with compassion for others? Think again! The purpose of flooding our nation with people who do not share our values has one purpose and one purpose only, and that is to change the demographics of our country in order to have a one-party system.

It is not surprising that China, and Russia, formerly adversaries, are now allied against the United States, along with Iran and North Korea. Some of our former allies, like Saudi Arabia and Egypt have become cozy with that alliance. Even our so-called ally, France, threw us under the bus a few weeks ago when Emanuel Macron met with Chinese leader Xi Jinping and stated that France was okay with the world getting away from the dollar as the world's reserve currency. These events did not occur for any reason other than the weakness of Biden and the perceived weakness of the United States. It is by design, not by chance. They want a one world government, and this is a step toward that end.

During his reelection announcement speech, our brain-dead excuse for a President quoted that a schoolteacher supposedly said, "I have never met someone else's child." So, he added that "our nation's children are our children." It is felt among liberals that children do not belong to their parents. Instead, they belong to the "community." Since the founding of this country, it has always been accepted as common knowledge that parents have stewardship over their children and it is up to those parents to make decisions that affect those children. The "community" about which they are speaking is government. That is why the leftists are doing everything possible to teach your children what they think your children should learn. This is Communism 101.

The evidence for the Democratic Party being the root of all evil in the United States is vast and is right in front of us. Everything they do is aimed at achieving the two objectives mentioned previously. One day when we wake up and wonder if we have been shipped to China, Russia, or North Korea, you may think about all we didn't do to stop it. We are losing the fight for America. Democrats win elections because they do anything and everything to assure that they do. Who passed laws in almost every state that allowed early voting? Who made ballot harvesting legitimate? Who created voter drop boxes? These things were done by Democrats because they knew how to manipulate them for their own benefit. Do you think they would have done so had there been no advantage to them?

To those of you who think I am exaggerating by calling Democrats and other liberals Communists and Socialists, you need to shift your brain out of neutral and wake up to the world around you. These people are the root of all evil in America, and it is up to us to stop them.

John D. Myers,  
Fighting the Good Fight

## Working for us in DC

<https://good.house.gov/media/in-the-news>

### HOUSE PASSES REP. GOOD'S HEALTH INSURANCE BILL



On June 21st, the House passed H.R. 3799, the CHOICE Arrangement Act, a legislation package including Congressman Bob Good's (VA-05) Self-Insurance Protection Act, by a vote of 220 to 209. Good's legislation will help empower small businessowners to provide their employees with lower health care costs.

The Self-Insurance Protection Act, was included in Title III of H.R. 3799 and will prevent federal regulators from redefining stop-loss insurance and overregulating it to the point that it is inaccessible or impractical for small businesses. By increasing access to stop-loss insurance, Rep. Good's legislation will expand the choices for American employers to offer health benefits to their employees.

This will be Rep. Good's second bill of the 118th Congress to pass the House floor and be sent to the Senate.

### BIDEN VETOES GOOD'S LEGISLATION TO BLOCK UNCONSTITUTIONAL STUDENT LOAN TRANSFER SCHEME TITLE

On June 7th, "President Biden vetoed my legislation that would block his unconstitutional student loan transfer scheme. Biden wants to redistribute hundreds of billions of dollars from borrowers onto the backs of American taxpayers. I am disappointed, but not surprised, that President Biden cares so little for Americans who work and play by the rules."

### SELF-INSURANCE PROTECTION ACT APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

June 6<sup>th</sup>, Bob Good's Self-Insurance Protection Act passed the Education and Workforce Committee by a vote of 24 to 18.

The legislation can now move to the House floor.

The Self-Insurance Protection Act will prevent federal regulators from redefining stop-loss insurance and over-regulating it to the point that it is inaccessible. By increasing access to stop-loss insurance, this legislation will expand the choices for American employers to offer health benefits to their employees.

"Obamacare federalized health insurance and the resulting regulations have made it harder for businesses to provide market-based health insurance to their employees. I thank my Republican committee colleagues for supporting this effort to allow the free market to shield Americans and their employers from catastrophic health bills. I hope House Leadership will schedule my bill for a vote on the House floor in the coming weeks," said Good.

### BOB GOOD JOINS CALL FOR END TO HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSE IN BANGLADESH

Bob Good joined an effort calling for an end to the human rights abuses by the government of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina Wazad of Bangladesh and to give the people of Bangladesh the best possible chance for free and fair parliamentary elections to be scheduled this fall.

### GOOD'S BILL RENAMES LYNCHBURG VA CLINIC AFTER "HACKSAW RIDGE" HERO DESMOND DOSS

"The brave men and women in uniform who have given so much to defend our country and preserve our freedoms deserve to be honored and remembered," said Good. "Heroes like Desmond Doss forged legacies that are more than worthy of commemoration. I can think of no better way to honor him in Lynchburg than to put his name on the VA clinic which serves the veterans to whom our community is so indebted."

## Events Calendar Highlights

Always check for updates and additions on our website! <https://goochland.gop/events/>

<https://www.goochlandva.us/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=983>

July 4th Celebration Fireworks will be shot off between the Goochland High and Elementary School lots and can be seen at a variety of places throughout the Courthouse Village. Spectators are encouraged to park at County Administration complex, the Fairground property, Goochland Elementary School, and the Goochland Middle/High School complex.

Parking opens at 7 p.m. and the show begins at 9 p.m.

No Alcohol Allowed! Consumption of alcohol will not be tolerated in public or on county property.

Please be prepared for extensive traffic delays before and

after the event. Local road closures will be enacted based on traffic conditions and event parking capacity.

Please check and follow Goochland County Parks & Recreation's Facebook

page, <https://www.facebook.com/GoochlandParksandRec/> for up to the minute parking and weather announcements.

Rain date for the event is Wednesday, July 5th.

For more information, please contact Goochland County Parks & Recreation at (804) 556-5854.



July 3 @ 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

[Goochland County Board of Supervisors Meeting](#)

Goochland County Administration Building - 1800 Sandy Hook Road, room 250

July 10 @ 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

[Goochland County Electoral Board Meeting](#)

Goochland Office of the General Registrar 1876 Sandy Hook Road, Goochland, VA

July 11 @ 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

[Goochland County School Board Meeting](#)

Goochland County Administration Building - 1800 Sandy Hook Road, room 250

July 19 @ 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

[Economic Development Authority Meeting](#)

2931 River Road West, Goochland, VA 23063 In the conference room.

July 19 @ 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

[Goochland County Republican Committee Meeting](#)

Goochland County Administration Building - 1800 Sandy Hook Road, room 250

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