



On The Move!

Pinellas County Republican Executive Committee

Republican Party of Pinellas County

4707 140th Avenue N. Suite 208

Clearwater, FL 33762

Official Call to PCREC Members

Monday, February 9, 2009 7:00 P.M.

Meeting: **TUCSON'S**
13563 Icot Blvd., Clearwater, FL

For additional information:

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CALENDAR

Executive Committee Meeting – 2nd Monday

7P Tucson's, 13563 Icot Blvd., Clearwater Call: 539-6009

St Petersburg Republican Club – 2nd Wednesday

6P Dinner 7P Meeting Picadilly Cafeteria 1900 34th St, St Pete
Call: 526-2492

Central Pinellas Republican Club – 2nd Thursday

11:30A Super Buffet, Seminole Mall, 11227 Park Blvd. N.,
Seminole Call: 397-3449

Suncoast Republican Women's Club. – 2nd Saturday

11A Piccadilly Cafeteria, 1900 34th St, St Pete Call: 548-6642

Belleair Women's Republican Club – 1st Friday

11:30A Belleair Country Club, Belleair Call: 584-6642

North Pinellas Republican Club – 3rd Thursday

6:30 PM – 7:45 PM, Palm Harbor Library, 2330 Nebraska Ave.,
Palm Harbor. Call: 804-5008

Republican Club of Greater Largo – 3rd Monday

6P Alfano's Restaurant 1702 Clearwater/Largo Rd, Largo
Call: 524-3048

On Top of the World Republican Club – 3rd Tuesday

7P East Activity Center, 2069 World Pkwy Blvd E., Clearwater
Call: 796-5775

Pinellas County Black Republican Club, - 4th Tuesday 6P

Panera Bread, 1914 4th St N, St. Petersburg.

For Information Call: 822-1708

Tarpon Springs Republican Club – 4th Tuesday

Mtg 7P Hampton Inn, 39284 US19N, Tarpon Springs
Call: 942-8722

Greater Pinellas Young Republicans – 2nd Tuesday

6:30 P, Chili's, East Bay, Clearwater Call: 514-3741

Hispanic Republican Club of Pinellas - 1st Monday 6P

Dinner 7P Meeting, Crabby Bill's, Indian Rocks Beach
Call: 434-4008

From the Desk of Chairman Beyrouti:

Dear PCREC and Republican Club Members,

This is our second meeting in 2009 and I would like to start by wishing everyone a happy, healthy and prosperous NEW YEAR. I am grateful to you the PCREC members for putting your trust in my leadership at this critical time in the history of our great PARTY.

In 2009 I will look forward to continuing to build our Party and use the power of technology in all areas including Membership and voter registration outreach; Grassroots volunteers; fundraising and enhancing our communication method while promoting professionalism throughout the PCREC leaders; Staff and its clubs.

Additionally I will create a voter registration task force; a technology task force; and a legislative task force. The voter registration task force will be charged with creating and executing programs designed to strengthen the involvement of the Republicans in the voter registration process.

The technology committee will be responsible for creating innovative ideas to get out the vote while raising Republican awareness through the use of up to the minute technology. And the legislative committee will work on promoting and researching issues that enhance and promote the Republican principles and values.

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PCREC Board

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Planning for the future is an exercise that every entity must perform — whether it is a business, political party, family or individual. Targets and goals need to be set to guarantee that the Republican Party future is one that reflects the ideas, principles and values of its members and to insure long term viability and prosperity.

I realize that the honor of serving as Chairman comes with a great responsibility. I will lead our party with new ideas, and unwavering commitment to our Party's long standing values and Principles of less government, less taxes and more freedom.

Ivory Club News

By Linda Beyrouti

In keeping with our tradition, Ivory Club members will enjoy a private reception the night of the Lincoln Day Dinner. Remember to save the date of February 28 for what promises to be a great event. All members should be receiving their invitation in the next couple of weeks. Please contact me if you do not receive your invitation or if you have any questions.

Also, I will be ordering new name tags prior to the event. If you did not have a name tag at the Christmas party or are a new member, kindly email me so I will be sure not to miss anyone and to have the correct spelling.

We are very pleased to see our membership continue to grow. Be sure to introduce yourself to any new faces and make the new members feel welcome!

Look forward to seeing you on February 28th.

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Hispanic Club News

By Chely Hernandez-Miller

The Hispanic Republican Club of Pinellas County will be sponsoring a booth at the Florida State Fair, beginning Friday, February 13th through Monday, February 16th. The booth will be available to any Republican Club willing and able to work. This will be the last weekend of the Fair. For details, please call me at (727) 434-4088

Supervisor of Elections: Partners at the Polls

This is a fund raising opportunity for various groups to help fund their worthwhile projects while serving their community.

www.votepinellas.com or (727) 464-6110.

Name	Precinct	District
Dale M. Gross	161	52
Nicholas E. Finze	169	52
Michael Henderson	187	52
Joyce Dalabakis	215	51
Eli Dalabakis	215	51
James A. Feeney	266	51
Elizabeth L. Feeney	266	51
Deborah A. Giaquinto	404	54
Julie Ryczek	406	54
Diane M. Marks	406	54
Janice B. Hill	416	54
James Imfeld	422	54
Loren K. R. Jones	511	54
Brett Miller	527	54
Rashid A. Montsho	227	55
Suzanne Claessens	528	50
Sally Smith	362	50
Herb Leonhardt, Sr.	374	50
Pamela McAloon	562	45
Ellsworth Warmouth	561	45
Rachelle Warmouth	561	45
John Fudens	564	48
Margie A. Baker	619	48
L. Jane Bittner	634	48
Robert L. Sieghardt	654	48
Patricia Sieghardt	654	48
Evelyn M. Bilirakis	706	48

PCREC New Members January 12, 2009

Name	Precinct	District
George W. Riley, Jr.	561	45
Daniel L. Pilon	620	50
Nina E. Pilon	620	50
Lora G. Platt	625	50
Deborah L. Begin	215	51
Brent Narog	286	51
Rebecca Brown-Patel	290	51
Ariane B. Giles	327	51
Mark Zornes	167	52
L. Keith Meyer, Jr.	190	52
Eileen A. Blackmer	158	52
Steven Dante	417	54
Sharon W. Dante	417	54
Sau Tuafono	101	55
Akif G. Agayev	102	55

Uneducated, Unethical and Unprepared to Lead

Viewpoints By: Gary Palmer,

If knowledge and understanding of America's history and founding principles are essential to the preservation of our nation, our nation is in peril. Over the last two decades, studies and surveys have been consistent in their conclusions---we are increasingly becoming a nation of know-nothings.

A recent report entitled "Our Fading Heritage: Americans Fail a Basic Test on Their History and Institutions" released on November 20, 2008 by the Intercollegiate Studies Institute (ISI), is a survey consisting of 33 multiple choice civics questions which most high school students and new citizens should be able to answer. The participants were 2,508 American adults from all backgrounds, allowing comparisons to be made between those who are college-educated and those who are not.

Over 71 percent of participants failed the test with an average score of only 49 percent. Of college educated, 57 percent of those with a bachelor's degree failed the test. There were also 164 participants that disclosed that they had been elected to government office at least once. Their average score was only 44 percent. Among those who formerly held elected office, 68 percent incorrectly answered questions regarding the definition of the free enterprise system, 89 percent did not know the difference between a free market and central planning (socialism), and 85 percent did not know the source of the phrase "a wall of separation" between church and state. Perhaps these appalling results explain a lot about what is presently wrong with government at every level.

Of the 2,508 participants, only 21 made an "A" and 66 made a "B". You can take the test at:

www.americancivilliteracy.org/resources/quiz.aspx

On November 30th, the Josephson Institute released its report card on the "Ethics of American Youth" and the news is not good. The report, which is based on a survey of attitudes and behaviors of 29,760 high school students nationwide, found entrenched habits of dishonesty in today's young people.

The report found that overall, 30 percent of America's high school students---more than one third of the boys and one fourth of the girls---admitted stealing from a store within the past year. When it comes to lying, 83 percent admitted to lying to their parents and 42 percent admitted to lying to save money, with boys leading the way at 49 percent and girls at 36 percent.

The survey also found that cheating in school is getting worse. Sixty-four percent admit they cheated on a test in the last year and of those 38 percent admit to doing it two or more times.

As bad as this news is, the Josephson Institute press release stated the problem may be even worse. Twenty-six percent of the students confessed they lied on at least one of the questions on the survey. As the Institute points out, the entrenched habit of dishonesty among our nation's high school students "doesn't bode well for the future when these youngsters become the next

generation's politicians and parents, cops and corporate executives, and journalist and generals."

Perhaps the most disturbing finding from the survey is that 93 percent of the students said they were satisfied with their personal ethics and character and 77 percent said that "when it comes to doing what is right, I am better than most of the people I know."

So what should we conclude from these two reports? For at least four decades, liberal activists have removed the core historical and religious principles that previous generations of Americans were taught in school and replaced them with politically correct dogma that undermines faith, character and patriotism. Consequently, we now have a large majority of high school and college students and adults who cannot pass a straightforward civics and history test and we have rampant corruption throughout the private sector.

It doesn't take a scientific survey to figure out that we are now reaping what we have sown.

Gary Palmer is president of the Alabama Policy Institute, a non-partisan research and education organization dedicated to the preservation of the free market, limited government and strong families, which are indispensable to a prosperous society.

"All who have meditated on the art of governing mankind have been convinced that the fate of the empires depends on the education of youth"
Aristotle

The Pinellas County Republican Executive Committee

Cordially invites you to the

Annual Lincoln Day Dinner

Saturday, February 28, 2009

Hilton St. Petersburg Carillon Park

950 Lake Carillon Drive

St. Petersburg, Florida 33716

Social Hour and Silent Auction starts at: 6:00 p.m.

Dinner following at: 7:30 p.m.

Ticket Reservations

\$100 – Individual

(Tables of 10 at \$1,000 – Limited Seating)

\$2,500 – Corporate Sponsorship includes Table of (10) Dinner Tickets, Prominent Listing in Program, 2 VIP Reception Tickets and 2 Lincoln Day Ivory Club Reception Tickets

\$350 – VIP Reception Includes Dinner Ticket

\$3,500 – VIP Sponsorship Includes (10) VIP Reception Tickets, (10) Dinner Tickets and Featured Listing in Program