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Dear Fellow Reaganite,

Here is your August update – a "back-to-school" issue of the Reaganites Newsletter.

REAGANITE FORUM ON CRITICAL RACE THEORY - COMING SOON

Our Education Committee (currently, Alice Brite, Alice Yoder and George Becker) has done extensive research on Critical Race Theory ("CRT") curriculum and other important issues regarding the education of our children. They are in the process of organizing a forum on CRT with a renowned expert on the topic. Watch your e-mail for details as they become available.

The Committee is also looking for more Reaganites to help the committee. If you are interested please click on <u>Alice</u> Brite's name at the bottom of this e-mail and let her know.

THINKING OF RUNNING FOR SCHOOL BOARD?

One of the most important public offices a person can hold is School Board Member. School Board Members literally are involved with the formation of our country's future. **We need more conservatives to serve on school boards.**

If you have been thinking about running for school board you should know about this. Reaganite Secretary Alice Brite brought to our attention a webinar to train school board candidates. The class is once weekly for six weeks, but the **six classes** are taught continuously, so a person could start at any time. For more information go to this link: SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATE TRAINING.

RADICAL IDEAS?

Some believe our education system is in need of radical correction. Here are some intriguing ideas. What do you think of these proposals? *SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS*:

- North Carolina Lt. Governor Mark Robinson has a <u>website</u> where parents, teachers and students can report anything concerning about the coursework or curriculum in NC schools. Should there be a similar website for South Carolina schools? Should the Reaganites host such a site?
- Many municipalities have "Civilian Review Boards" for police. Should there be a "Civilian Review Board for Schools" where students, teachers, and parents can ask for investigations about what is being taught in schools?

• Police in many jurisdictions have "body cameras." Should there be a camera in each classroom so parents can monitor what is being taught so long as the privacy of the students is maintained?

Should the Reaganites get behind any of these ideas and propose them to our legislative delegation? (Send your comments to mail@Reaganites.com and your comments will be shared with our Education Committee.)

RONALD REAGAN ON EDUCATION

Here are some classic Reagan quotes on Education:

- "Our leaders must remember that education doesn't begin with some isolated bureaucrat in Washington. It doesn't even begin with state or local officials. Education begins in the home, where it is a parental right and responsibility."
- "If you serve a child a rotten hamburger in America, federal, state, and local agencies will investigate you, summon you, close you down, whatever. But if you provide a child with a rotten education, nothing happens, except that you're liable to be given more money to do it with. Well, we've discovered that money alone isn't the answer."
- "Education is not the means of showing people how to get what they want. Education is an exercise by means of which enough men, it is hoped, will learn to want what is worth having."
- "Together, let us make this a new beginning. Let us make a commitment to care for the needy, to teach our children the values and the virtues handed down to us by our families, to have the courage to defend those values and the willingness to sacrifice for them. Let us pledge to restore, in our time, the American spirit of voluntary service, of cooperation, of private and community initiative, a spirit that flows like a deep and mighty river through the history of our nation."

Source for quotes: AZQuotes.com

CONSERVATIVES NEEDED ON COUNTY BOARDS

In last month's newsletter we told you that County Representative <u>Tom Audette</u> made an appeal for conservatives to volunteer to serve on York County boards and committees.

Reaganites President Frank Trotta noticed first-hand how important these boards are. Preparing for a long car trip to visit family, Frank decided to download some audiobooks from the York County Library. Frank said, "I was astounded at the vast number of liberal authors and 'woke' titles available and the dearth of conservative authors and books. I have to believe these selections don't reflect the views of most of the people in York County and that the County Library Board should be in a position to remedy this."

Interested in serving in one of the five vacancies on the <u>York County Library Board</u> or serving on another board? Check out the *full list of vacancies and apply* at this link: <u>YORK COUNTY CITIZEN BOARDS</u>. <u>If you apply for one of the vacancies, please let us know, so we can let your County Council member know that we support you.</u>

UPCOMING EVENTS

- FALL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
- WINTER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Critical Race Theory in Our Schools

Pearl Harbor 80th Anniversary Commemoration*

More information below.

*December 7, 2021 will mark the 80th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor and the Reaganites will be commemorating the occasion with a special presentation. The four-star admiral in charge of Pearl Harbor (and in fact the commander in chief of the entire United States Pacific Fleet) was Admiral Husband Kimmel. Admiral Kimmel is the grandfather of WRHI radio Co-Owner and Managing Partner Manning Kimmel. Manning has agreed to speak to our group about a fascinating book about his grandfather and the attack.

I recently finished that book, <u>A Matter of Honor: Pearl Harbor: Betrayal, Blame, and a Family's Quest for Justice</u> and I **highly recommend it.** It is <u>available at the York County Public Library and the Winthrop University library,</u> or here.

Both Manning and I urge you to read the book before our December meeting. It tells in detail about the events leading up to and following the attack. The book details attempts by the Admiral and his sons and now his grandchildren, as well as numerous Navy admirals and veterans groups, to clear the Admiral's name.

HAVE YOU VOTED IN OUR STRAW POLL?

The Reaganites Summer Survey is still open. Please complete it if you haven't already done so. It can be found here: <u>REAGANITES SUMMER SURVEY</u>. Here is a "tease" as they say on TV: So far, Florida Governor Ron DeSantis is out-polling former President Trump in our poll.

HOW DO YOU LIKE OUR NEW "HEADER"?

The new Reaganites Masthead or "header" at the top of this newsletter was designed by Wendy Taylor, whom we've retained to develop our website. Do you like the new header or the old one, below? *Let us know at mail@Reaganites.com*.





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Respectfully submitted, Frank Trotta President