

December 4, 2021

REMINDER DEC. 7 EVENT





FOURTH QUARTER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, December 7, 2021 starting at 6:30 p.m. 1520 Carolina Place Dr. Fort Mill, SC 29708-7051

Ft. Mill Hampton Inn (Lowe's Shopping Center)
MEMBERS and VETERANS: Free

ALL OTHERS: \$10

December 7, 2021 will mark the 80th anniversary of the unprovoked 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, the attack and its aftermath and his families efforts to clear Admiral Kimmel's name.

The book, <u>A Matter of Honor: Pearl Harbor: Betrayal, Blame, and a Family's Quest for Justice</u> is <u>available at the York County Public Library and the Winthrop University library,</u> or <u>here.</u> 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 <u>numerous Navy admirals</u> and veterans groups, to clear the Admiral's name

YORK COUNTY TO PICK UP SC HOUSE SEAT

Due to the 2020 census, all legislative districts must be redrawn to even-out the population. (It is the "one person – one vote" legal doctrine.) So, Congress, South Carolina General Assembly and even the York County Council will be redistricted. According to news reports County Council Districts 1 (Tom Audette) and 2 (Allison Love) had such population growth in their districts that geographically those districts will shrink.

Recently, the South Carolina House adopted their proposed redistricting map, and if enacted, York County will pick up another House seat.



According to *The State* newspaper:

"District 66, which moved from Orangeburg to York County to accommodate the area's population growth, will absorb the portion of state Rep. Raye Felder's current district west of Interstate 77, including Tega Cay, but not crossing Lake Wylie.

"'We've had tremendous growth in northern York County and northern Lancaster County. I mean, the census numbers just blew up,' Felder, R-York, said. 'So in looking at that amount of tremendous growth, there was really no other way but to add a new district up there.'

"Felder's District 26 will now run east of I-77 to the Lancaster County line, and together the districts will comprise all of York County north of the Catawba River.

"'York County is very similar all over, but especially north of the Catawba River,' she said. 'We are geographically incredibly similar, and also in our lifestyle and our quality of life because we are next door to Charlotte.'

"The new York County seat is open, with no incumbent living in the district."

READ THE WHOLE ARTICLE ON **OUR WEBSITE HERE**.

BIDEN "I DID THAT" GAS STICKER AVAILABLE AT DECEMBER 7 MEETING

Filling up my car at a gas station near the Buster Boyd Bridge I noticed a sticker on the pump which was an image of President Biden pointing to the price with a quote "I DID THAT!"



So as my personal Christmas gift to our members I've purchased a bunch of these to give out to our members at the December 7 Quarterly Meeting. But remember, DON'T put this on a gas pump without permission from the manager or owner.

PAY YOUR 2022 DUES AT THE DEC. 7 MEETING

Save yourself a stamp, and save us from having to bill you and PLEASE pay your 2022 due at the December 7 meeting. Membership is \$25.00 person or \$40.00 a couple. Made check payable to: *Reaganites of York County*.

NEW COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR

Last month we announced two new directors on your Reaganites of York County board. We gave the full bio of one of them, Rick Oehlhof and promised more information on our new Communications Director, Garrett Jackson.



Garrett Jackson

Garrett Brooks Jackson is a sophomore, Political Science major at Winthrop University and is also the President of the

Winthrop College Republicans. After graduating from Winthrop, he is looking to continue his education and start a career as a lawyer. Garrett is a native of York County living in Rock Hill for all of his 19 years.

Garrett got involved with the College Republicans because of the lack of representation he saw on campus at Winthrop. Before he reignited the College Republicans the only two political organizations on campus were the College Democrats and the Socialist Student Union. To him, college campuses are places where conservative values need to be heard the most. He and other members of the Winthrop College Republicans are fighting for conservative values both on campus and in the community.

He will be a GREAT addition to our Board and we thank him for stepping up!

OBSCENE BOOK IN FORT MILL LIBRARY STARTS STATEWIDE EVALUATION

"Gov. Henry McMaster asked the state's Department of Education to investigate possible obscene and pornographic material in schools after learning of a petition filed by parents to remove an LGBTQ graphic novel from a school library they claim depicts sexually explicit material. The governor said he was prompted to request the investigation after hearing that Fort Mill School District parents were required to petition the district to remove the book "Gender Queer: A Memoir" from a school's library." (Source: WCSC)

Read what Reaganites Director, Mark Herring, a world-class librarian, has to say about our libraries:

Reading from left to...left

At one time, if you were to reach for a shortcut to all things American, you might reach for Mom, Apple Pie, the Flag, all caps because they represented some almost sacrosanct ideals. In some cases, you might even throw in Libraries, because nothing said freedom like the ability to walk into a public library and read about all things American.

Unfortunately, those days are gone. This isn't your grandmother's library anymore.

That this is now a certitude was proven in a town not five minutes from where I live, the buckle of the Bible belt. A book controversy has riven its libraries, its people, alerted the governor who issued a mandate, and drawn national attention. "Gender Queer: A Memoir" by Maia Kobabe (the author uses the pronouns e/em/eir—no, seriously), turned up in a Fort Mill, South Carolina library and,

frankly, all hell broke loose, as well it should. The memoir is being touted by some librarians and most decidedly by its author as reaching out to the sexually disenfranchised, those who are nonbinary and asexual, but may also be gay. But do not be distracted. Problems exist in a profoundly objectionable way....

READ REST OF THE ESSAY IN Carolina Journal HERE: https://www.carolinajournal.com/opinion-article/reading-from-left-toleft/

YEAR IN REVIEW

As 2021 draws to an end, it is appropriate to recap the year.

With the Founder of Reaganites of York County, Paul Anderko, moving to North Carolina our PAC elected a new board of directors which started meeting monthly.

In the spring the Board decided the COVID-19 risk had subsided enough for us to have a General Membership meeting – and BOY! What a meeting it was. We had Stephen Moore address us on the State of the Biden Economy. He gave a dynamic talk and followed-up with a lively Q&A session.



We instituted a monthly newsletter and created a website wwwREAGANITES.com.

We started **Straw Polls** of our members, and found that our members wanted quarterly membership meetings, and supported Florida Governor Ron DeSantis over former President Donald Trump for the Republican nomination in 2024.

We also established **committees** who are working hard doing things like monitoring and reporting to us on important issues like the County's **rewriting of planning and zoning laws**.

Our Education Committee has become a leader in the STOP Critical Race Theory in our schools movement. Working in conjunction with the Oak Initiative and the South Carolina chapter of Parents Involved in Education (PIE) we co-sponsored the hugely successful event: HOW TO FIND AND ERADICATE CRITICAL RACE THEORY IN YOUR SCHOOLS.

As a South Carolina PAC, the Reaganites of York County are keenly interested elections. While we chose not to endorse any candidate in the **Rock Hill Mayoral election**, we did develop a probing candidate questionnaire and published the candidates' answers in our newsletter and on our website.

The Reaganites of York County took a lead in opposing a massive bond issue and tax hike in Clover School District and we prevailed 71% to 29%!

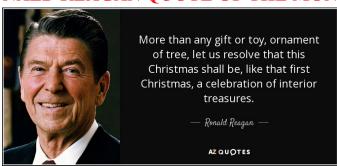
At least two **REAGANITES won election to local office**: Brittany Farr (Clover Town Council) and Tom Hyslip (Tega Cay City Council). We also offered scholarships to Candidate Training Schools.

The Reaganites of York County also teamed up with nearly a dozen other conservative groups to form an umbrella group, the York Area Conservative Coalition.



YACC hit the ground running by analyzing pending legislation and issuing "Calls to Action" to the members of its constituent groups. Members of the Reaganites of York County answered these Calls. The results were impressive with several successes.

RONALD REAGAN QUOTE OF THE MONTH



Source: AZQuotes.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

Besides our <u>December 7th Quarterly General Membership meeting</u>, there are a couple of other events of note below. <u>Don't forget to wear your Reaganites Name Plate to all political events</u>. (If you don't have a Reaganites Name Plate see me at the December 7th meeting and you'll order one for you.

Reaganites Frank Trotta





Respectfully submitted, Frank Trotta President

LINK ON ANY NAME BELOW TO E-MAIL THAT REAGANITE BOARD MEMBER DIRECTLY:

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