

REAGANITES of York County, SC



February 13, 2022

CANDIDATE SCREENING COMMITTEES

There are many School Board elections and the Reaganites of York County plan to help get conservative candidates elected to those seats. We are seeking Reaganites to serve on "Screening Committees" to interview School Board and other non-partisan candidates to help us determine which candidates to help. If you want to serve in the Screening Committee in your school district, please e-mail Frank.Trotta@Reaganites.com.

We also will have Screening Committees for the municipalities which have non-partisan elections. If you're a voter in the cities of Rock Hill, Tega Cay or York, or the towns of Clover, Ft. Mill, Hickory Grove, McConnells, Sharon, and Smyrna, please consider applying to be on our Screening Committee for your municipality.

CANDIDATE FORUMS

The Reaganites plan to host a candidates' forum for the hugely important Superintendent of Education post. Reaganites' First Vice President, Dennis Getter is leading that effort. If you want to help Dennis, please contact him at: dengetter@comporium.net. We also will be having forums for the York County primary races.

NAME TAG DEADLINE: Feb. 16



We will soon be ordering REAGANITES name tags. EVEN IF YOU HAVE ALREADY TOLD ME YOU NEED A BADGE I NEED TO KNOW EXACTLY HOW YOU WANT YOUR NAME TO APPEAR SO by February 16 please e-mail Frank.Trotta@Reaganites.com telling me exactly how you want your name to read on the badge. If you are a new member, there is no charge. If you are ordering a replacement name tag we will bill you our cost in getting the name tag.

ENDORISING PRIMARY CANDIDATES

As we did two years ago, all Reaganites who are current in their dues will be able to cast an "e-ballot" deciding which local candidates the Reaganites will endorse in the Republican primary. Our endorsement will include a monetary contribution as well as "boots on the ground."

CANDIDATE TRAINING

Our At-Large Director, Rick Oehlhof has connected with the training staff at the national conservative group The Leadership Institute and is working on training sessions in York County. We'll keep you posted on our website: www.Reaganites.com .

MORE on The Leadership Institute below.

THE FUTURE OF YORK COUNTY

[If you care about the future of your York you need to go!](#)

The County government will hold its annual “retreat” on the afternoon of Friday, February 25 and the morning of Saturday, February 26 in the training room at the County Office Building (18 West Liberty Street, York, SC). At this important retreat the 10-Year Capital Budget will be revealed and the priorities for the county will be set by the County Council.

I urge all Reaganites to attend. Even if you cannot make both sessions go to one, or even part of one. The only way truly to have a voice in your government is to be a fully informed citizen and then make your opinion known. *Learn first* – then talk!

USE YOUR BACKYARD TO HELP

With redistricting many of our General Assembly and County Council members have new geographic territory in their new districts. If you live in an area with a “new” Senator or State Representative or County Council member you can help introduce that “new” elected official to your neighbors. Consider hosting a “meet and greet” in your backyard this spring. Coordinate a date with the elected official or candidate, provide some sweet tea and cookies and a few lawn chairs, and invite your neighbors to meet their new “employee.” (After all they do work for us!)

CRIME TO COURT: SENATE BILL 150, MEDICAL MARIJUANA



Click [HERE](#) to watch an interesting video where our Sheriff, Kevin Tolson and two important guests inform us about Senate Bill 150. It is NOT what you think! This bill passed the Senate and is now in the House.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Will you help establish a Reaganites presence in social media?

Garrett Jackson, our Director of Communications, now has us on Instagram and also has created a public Facebook page for us in addition to our private group.

Please join both Facebook groups. Click here to see each page:

PUBLIC Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/YorkCountyReaganites>.

PRIVATE Facebook page: [York County Reaganites | Facebook](#)

Also are you on Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, NextDoor, SnapChat, Facebook, Rumble, Parler, Gab, MeWe, Gettr, Flote, etc.? If so, please let our Communications Director Garrett Jackson know so he can connect with you. His e-mail is jacksong7@mailbox.winthrop.edu.

NEWS FROM CONGRESSMAN NORMAN

Last week, Congressman Norman sent a letter to Janet Woodcock, the Acting Commissioner of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, regarding guidance from her agency suggesting that someone's race or ethnicity – by itself, apart from any underlying medical conditions – could be used to determine eligibility for Covid treatments. He said, "I believe that is not only inappropriate, but could set a dangerous precedent." Click [here](#) to learn more.

SENATOR CLIMER'S VICTORY

Senator Wes Climer led the effort to gain SC Senate approval to end 51-year requirement that hospitals get state permission to build. S.C. senators voted 35-6 on Jan. 25 to repeal the controversial Certificate of Need regulatory process, which requires healthcare providers to seek permission from the state before building new hospitals. The 51-year-old application requirement was originally intended to control healthcare costs and prevent duplication by providers in the same area. But in recent years, critics have said the process has actually increased costs by reducing competition.

LINK FROM COUNCILMAN AUDETTE'S NEWSLETTER

Long-time Reaganite Tom Audette publishes a newsletter for the constituents of his County Council district. His newsletter has useful information not only for his Ft. Mill district but for the entire county. For instance take a look at this video about the [NANNY'S MOUNTAIN PROPOSED MASTER PLAN](#).

EDUCATION & CRT

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**. *Get involved with our Education Committee by contacting Reaganites' Secretary, Alice Brite, at abrite@comporium.net.*

PAY YOUR 2022 DUES

Membership dues runs on a calendar year basis. So your 2022 dues may be due if you haven't paid already. (We did have a significant number of members pay for 2022 in December.) Single membership is \$25.00 person or \$40.00 for a couple. Made check payable to: *Reaganites of York County* and send them to our Treasurer, Michael Cox at 755 E. Rambo Road, Rock Hill, SC 29730

Remember, you can't vote in our primary endorsement e-balloting unless your dues is fully paid. Dues is not pro-rated, so people who join in June still will have to pay the full year's dues for 2022 – so you're not saving any money by waiting.

Additionally, as a South Carolina PAC we raise money to help candidates. PLEASE consider making a contribution to our PAC. Contributions in any amount can be sent to Michael at the address above. Also, if you are interested in helping us fundraise please e-mail Frank.Trotta@Reaganites.com

ESSAY OF THE MONTH

Read what the Reaganites Second Vice President, Dr. Mark Herring, has to say about "The Tragedy of Ignorance":

A few weeks back, I scribbled a fillip on the far-left wanderings of librarianship in general and the American Library Association in specific. For those who have always positioned libraries among mom, apple pie, and country, this may have raised an eyebrow, if not a hackle. The exordium was not meant to anger but to exhort regarding books like ["Gender Queer: A Memoir."](#)

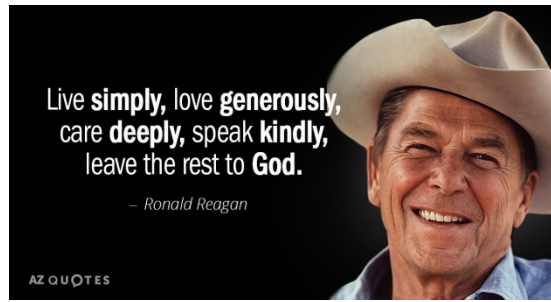
Gender Queer: A Memoir is only the tip of the proverbial iceberg, however, coming as it does in the brackish waters of other such books like ["New Kid"](#) and ["In the Dream House,"](#) among many others. Librarians often hide behind the argument that libraries must represent "all constituencies" in the community. This is disingenuous. Libraries have never served all constituencies owing to cost and space. Nor have they been willing to touch upon all ideologies, conservative ones getting the shortest shrift. The stereotypical taciturnity associated with librarianship has given way to the sounding brass and tinkling cymbal of liberalism.

If ever there was a traitorous doubt that would make us shun to call it a culture war, doubt no longer and win the good with this speering. Entering into libraries is what are now being called "Diversity Auditors." Academic libraries like Bard College and Loyola Marymount University are among the first to add these new Orwellian doublespeak positions. While it is more of the *epater les bourgeois*, it cannot be dismissed.

'Diversity Auditors' will now examine each book in a given collection for its 'representation' of the authors' heritage, sex, faith, and physical disabilities. While no library will admit to "deaccessioning" texts that do not measure up yet, come back in a few months and see what has been removed. Academic library collections are being declared not diverse enough, and libraries, strapped for funds everywhere as they are, are in a white heat to buy as many left-leaning books to correct what diversity auditors deem lacking. This is exactly the opposite of what libraries have done traditionally: build collections to mirror community standards.

READ REST OF THE ESSAY IN *Carolina Journal* HERE: <https://www.carolinajournal.com/opinion-article/the-tragedy-of-ignorance/>

RONALD REAGAN QUOTE OF THE MONTH



Source: AZQuotes.com

SPECIAL PRO-LIFE RALLY

On March 5th, starting at 11 a.m. there will be a “Rally to Resist Roe” at the South Carolina State House.

Pro-life speakers will include representatives from Operation Save America; End Abortion Now/Apologia; Rescue Those; Personhood SC; Action for Life; Operation Save America; and, the Well Church as well as SC State Rep Jonathan Hill. For more information go to www.AbolishAbortionSC.com.

OTHER LOCAL UPCOMING EVENTS

York County Republican Party

WHEN: Thursday, February 24, 2022

WHERE: The Ft. Mill Hampton Inn

TIME: • 7:00 PM - Meeting begins

Clover- Lake Wylie Republican Women

WHEN: Friday, February 26, 2022

SPEAKERS: Ellen Weaver, Candidate for SC Superintendent of Ed

WHERE: River Hills Country Club

TIME: • 11:30 AM – Registration

Republican Women Rising

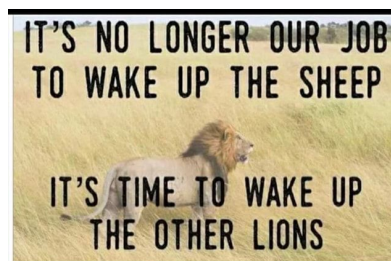
WHEN: Monday, February 28, 2022

WHERE: The Glennon Center (next to the Tega Cay Clubhouse); 15083 Molokai Drive, Tega Cay; meeting in upstairs ballroom.

TIME: • 5:30 PM - Social (come early to grab your table)

• Food & drink (see below)

• 6:30 PM - Meeting begins



Forward the attached PDF of this newsletter to a conservative friend and urge him or her to JOIN and get INVOLVED

THE LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

One of the country's premiere conservative training groups is The Leadership Institute. The REAGANITES are in talks with them to do candidate training in York County. In the meantime, here is a list of their upcoming online events and training:

On-Demand Trainings:

[School Board Campaign Training](#)

Get the skills to wage and win your campaign for school board. You will receive more than 11 hours of the best LI training on topics like how to create a compelling message, how to rally voters, how to handle the media, and much more for a winning campaign.

When: On-Demand

Where: Online

Cost: \$25 **Now at no cost to you for a limited time thanks to LI's generous donors!**

[Campaign – Candidate – Career – Communications](#)

Watch Leadership Institute's (LI) pre-recorded training options on your schedule and at your convenience!

When: On-Demand

Where: Online

Cost: No-Cost to \$25!

Tuesday, February 15

[Digital Download: Email List Growth Tactics](#)

Email list building remains the most reliable way to raise money online and create consistent website traffic. Growing your email list will also boost other forms of digital activism, such as GOTV efforts and volunteer recruitment. This Digital Download training will show you how to increase the size of your email list through a mix of no-cost and paid tactics.

When: Tuesday, February 15 | 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM EST

Where: [Online](#)

Cost: No Cost!

Wednesday, February 16

[Social Media Marketing](#)

Social media marketing can be a powerful tool for your campaign, cause, or organization, if you understand how to make the most of it. The Social Media Marketing workshop will teach you how to build and implement a marketing plan with low-cost or no-cost techniques – ideal for small teams and organizations. You will leave the workshop with confidence that you can post social media content that captivates your audience and inspires them to act.

When: Wednesday, February 16 | 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM EST

Where: [Online](#)

Cost: No Cost!

In-person Trainings:

Tuesday, February 15

[Public Speaking Workshop](#)

In this workshop, you'll learn message construction and delivery. You'll receive personalized feedback and participate in in-class exercises to make you a more confident public speaker.

Where: Leadership Institute's Steven P.J. Wood Building in Arlington, VA

When: Tuesday, February 15 | 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM EST

Cost: \$50 until 2/13 (Dinner Included)

Wednesday, February 16

[Public Speaking Workshop, Advanced](#)

You will learn advanced public speaking techniques and be coached through several rounds of speech deliveries. Class size is limited to six to maximize time with the instructor.

Where: Leadership Institute's Steven P.J. Wood Building in Arlington, VA

When: Wednesday, February 16th | 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM EST

Cost: \$75 until 2/14 (Dinner Included)

[LINK ON ANY NAME BELOW TO E-MAIL THAT REAGANITE BOARD MEMBER DIRECTLY:](#)

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