

REAGANITES of York County, SC



June 7, 2022

PRIMARY ONE WEEK FROM TODAY!

2022 CANDIDATES ENDORSED BY THE REAGANITES

We had 88% voter participation in our e-balloting.



Mark Corral

State House of Representatives, District 43



Elizabeth Enns

State House of Representatives, District 48



Heath Sessions

State House of Representatives, District 46



Debi Cloninger

York County Council, District 07



Brad Lessmeister

York County Council, District 03



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REAGANITES HELP YOUR NEEDED

PRIMARY: JUNE 14

The purpose of our PAC like ours is to RECRUIT, EDUCATE AND SUPPORT candidates, who we determine, by backgrounds and interviews, to be true Conservatives. The recruitment and educating has happened, and the June 14th Primary is upon us. You, as members, were given information about each York County candidate, and were asked to vote in our on line straw poll, to pick your choice in the primary race in each of the county council and SC State House districts.

We are now at the **SUPPORT** phase of our stated promise to each candidate. We now have a little over two weeks to reach out to whichever candidate or candidates you choose. If you are physically able, these campaigns are **walking key neighborhoods to knock on doors, or to just drop literature**. They are fulfilling requests for yard sign placement. Some campaigns are **preparing mailings, some needing help stuffing or addressing envelopes**. Some may choose to make **phone calls**, which you may be able to do from home. **If you have any questions, feel free to call Sharon Bynum at 803/548-5066.**

Most all of these candidates need your **financial support**, whether they are in your districts or not. All of them will be sitting in positions with your district winner, and the more conservatives we can get in positions on County Council or in the State House, the better and stronger their message will be. **NOW IS THE TIME TO BE GENEROUS!**

THREE SUCCESSFUL EVENTS

In May the Reaganites of York County held three exceedingly successful events:

- **Candidates Forum 48th House District**
- **Leadership Institute Campaign Training**
- **SC Superintendent of Education Forum**

Watch a video of the SC Superintendent of Education Forum [HERE](#).

MORE EVENTS COMING

SAVE THE DATE Saturday, September 24 for a VERY SPECIAL REAGANITES EVENT.

Also, if you missed the *Leadership Institute Campaign Training* consider attending the first part of [this training session](#) in Charlotte on **September 17th**.

STRAW POLL RESULTS

SC SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION

The Reaganites of York County conducted an electronic straw poll of people who attended the group's Superintendent of Education Forum. The results show a close race, with Dr. Kizzi Gibson having a slight lead over Ellen Weaver – the lead is within the margin of error.

The Straw Poll results were as follows:

Kizzi Gibson	38.46%
Ellen Weaver	34.62%
Travis Bedson	11.54%
Lynda Leventis-Wells	11.54%
Bryan Chapman	3.85%
Kathy Maness	0.00%

This was a straw poll of those who attended our forum and not a vote of our members and accordingly not an endorsement.

Early Voting Now in Effect in South Carolina

COLUMBIA, SC (May 13, 2022) – Governor McMaster, on Friday, May 13, 2022, signed into law legislation passed by the General Assembly that establishes early voting in South Carolina. Any voter can visit an early-voting location in their county and vote like they would at their polling place on Election Day. Absentee By-Mail balloting is available but with significant changes to the application and balloting processes.

SC Voters now have three methods of voting:

- Absentee (BY- MAIL ONLY*)
- Early Voting
- Election Day

Early Voting Location in York County, SC:

Early Voting Period:

Tuesday, May 31 – Friday, June 10

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. each day

Closed Saturday and Sunday, June 4 - 5

Early Voting Location:

York County Government Center

Board of Voter Registration and Election Office of York County

6 South Congress Street, Suite 1201

York SC 29745

803.684.1242

elections@yorkcountygov.com

** In-person absentee voting is no longer allowed by SC State Law and has been replaced with a two-week early voting period. Voters planning on voting prior to Election Day must vote during the Early Voting period or apply for Absentee By-Mail ballot.*

REAGANITES OFFER SCHOLARSHIPS

The Reaganites of York County will provide **full scholarships** -- including meals and two-nights at the hotel where the school is being held -- to any college student interested in attending the LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE *Youth Leadership School*. To apply write to Frank.Trotta@REAGANITES.COM .

NEW AND IMPROVED REAGANITES WEBSITE



REAGANITES.COM has been given a score of 95% by GoDaddy, ranking it among the BEST websites they host.

What's This Score?

We measure your online performance, compared to online businesses like yours. A high score means you're engaging visitors well, while a low score means there's room to improve.

How's it calculated?

Your score calculates website engagement and social presence. It factors in how often your website is viewed, how many visits convert into sales or bookings, and how active your customers are on your connected social accounts.

Why does it change?

Your score is relative to the performance of businesses like yours. For example, your score may go up if your site traffic is high compared to similar businesses. Or, your score may go down if your monthly sales are lower than those same businesses.

How can you improve your score?

Proactively take actions that drive traffic to your website and convert visitors into paying customers. This includes making social and blog posts, creating email campaigns, and responding to your customers' reviews. Don't worry! We'll provide personalized recommendations along the way.

AND we are getting BETTER. Reaganites Board member Tom Hyslip has totally revamped our website. CHECK IT OUT [HERE](#).

Also, please forward articles which may be of interest to fellow members for us to post to the website. Send them to mail@Reaganites.com putting "WEB SUBMISSION" in the subject line.

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BALANCING THE BOOKS

York County Library

County Council Member Tom Audette has been working with the York County Library to balance the large number "pro transgender" and "woke" books. He needs your help by requesting that books be added to the collection.

The following books on transgenderism (all recently published)—from a different perspective—would help balance the collection, but none are available in our county library system:

- *Irreversible Damage: The Transgender Craze Seducing Our Daughters* (Abigail Shrier) - 2020
- *Love Thy Body: Answering Hard Questions about Life & Sexuality* (Nancy Pearcey) - 2019
- *When Harry Became Sally: Responding to the Transgender Moment* (Ryan Anderson) - 2019 (banned from Amazon; only available on Barnes & Noble) This book was removed from Amazon because they “chose not to sell books that frame LGBTQ+ identity as a mental illness.” They had sold the book for 3 years before they decided to stop selling it.
- *Understanding Gender Dysphoria: Navigating Transgender Issues in a Changing Culture* (Mark Yarhouse) - 2015
- *Transgender to Transformed: A Story of Transition That Will Truly Set You Free* (Laura Perry) - 2019
- *Trans Life Survivors* (Walt Heyer) – 2018. Walt Heyer has written several books. He transitioned from male to female at age 42, lived 8 years as a transgender woman, and then detransitioned back to being a man. Heyer is an accomplished author and public speaker who raises awareness of regret and the tragic consequences suffered as a result of unnecessary gender change surgery.
- *The End of Gender: Debunking the Myths about Sex & Identity in Our Society* - 2021
- *Elephants Are Not Birds* (Ashley St. Clair) - 2021
- *Johnny the Walrus* (Matt Walsh) - 2022
- *Abolition of Sex: How the Transgender Agenda Harms Women and Girls* (Kara Dansky) 2021
- *Doublethink: A Feminist Challenge to Transgenderism* (Janice Raymond, PhD) 2021

The library will have to change their collection development policy, especially regarding review sources, in order to acquire books from smaller/niche publishers. Some alternative review sources include, but are not limited to:

- *New Criterion*
- *Claremont Review*
- *Nation Review*
- *Commentary*
- *First Things*
- *American Spectator*

How to request the York County libraries for these books along with other conservative books we want added. Also requesting that they use these alternative review sources.

Just go to this link and submit your request. <https://www.yclibrary.org/contact-us>

Then follow-up with the York County libraries by calling: (803) 981-5858.

Finally, let Tom know your progress at: tom.audette@yorkcountygov.com . You can also suggest other books or review sources to Tom at that address.

ESSAY OF THE MONTH

Reaganites Second Vice President, Dr. Mark Herrin writes about S.C. Amendment 32 in what I think is one of his best columns yet.

Sen. Josh Kimbrell (R-Spartanburg) deserves a lot of credit for proposing Amendment 32 to the South Carolina budget. It requires libraries to forgo purchasing “sexually explicit” materials for children. Senator Kimbrell proposed the amendment after hearing complaints from parents in his district about materials their children saw in public libraries. It isn’t just his district, either, as the problem is nationwide in libraries. The amendment is now in Conference Committee (to be adjudicated by Sen. Harvey Peeler-(R), Sen. Nikki Setzler-(D), Sen. Thomas Alexander-(R), Rep. Gary Simrill-(R), Rep. Murrell Smith-(R), and Rep. Todd Rutherford-(D), should you wish to write) to see if it will be adopted. It is a welcomed amendment. Here’s why it should be, but first, forgive the following indulgence.

The last time I wrote about libraries ([“The Tragedy of Ignorance”](#)), some of my colleagues, both in and out of the profession, were incensed that I recommended legislatures withhold funding from libraries for inappropriate books. In that essay, I excoriated the presence of Maia Kobabe’s “Gender Queer” and other such books that seek to proselytize young children into the gay parade. I also criticized “Drag Queen Story Hour.” Libraries have no place encouraging young children to make such decisions. That is the role of parents, and the parents can buy the requisite books for those sensitive topics. None of my critics said anything about the book itself (it’s egregious, and some of its scandalizing images can be found online). My call for withholding library funding was, in their thinking, beyond the pale. I doubt my support of Amendment 32 will be greeted with much favor, either.

For 40-plus years, I toiled in the groves of academe, specifically in academic libraries. Over those four decades, I also served in public libraries, including a genealogy library, but mostly in academic ones, either as director or dean. Something magical exists (or did) in libraries. I loved walking among the greatest minds of all time, even though those minds were represented in beautiful tomes with leather binding and gilt edges. Even our family vacations—admittedly much to the dismay of our then young daughters—often centered on what libraries were nearby.

I’ve worked in libraries, I laud their service to mankind, and I have given my 42-years of vocational life to them. I in no way dislike them. Yet when you love something so earnestly, you inevitably have to correct its misprisions. The weltanschauung of libraries today is hardly what it was when I entered the profession more than 40 years ago. I feel cuckolded at this point. Everything I loved about them that I thought we loved together turned out to be only what I loved. The profession has, by and large, gone a-whoring after false gods. While countless well-meaning librarians remain in the trade, a strong activist voice is mounting. The national organization, the American Library Association (ALA), continues to push the profession to the very radical left.

There were hints of this leftward tilt early on in my career....

TO READ THE REST OF THE COLUMN CLICK [HERE](#).

RONALD REAGAN QUOTE OF THE MONTH



Younger parents aren't sure that an unambivalent appreciation of America is the right thing to teach modern children. And as for those who create the popular culture, well-grounded patriotism is no longer the style. Our spirit is back, but we haven't reinstitutionalized it. We've got to do a better job of getting across that America is freedom – freedom of speech, freedom of religion, freedom of enterprise. And freedom is special and rare. It's fragile; it needs protection.

BUMPER-STICKER OF THE MONTH



If you see a clever bumper-sticker which reflects our conservative values, please send a photo of it to mail@reaganites.com for us to publish in a future newsletter. Feel free to write a commentary about it too.

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OTHER LOCAL UPCOMING EVENTS



Clover- Lake Wylie Republican Women

WHEN: Generally last Friday of every month.

WHERE: River Hills Country Club

TIME: • 11:30 AM – Registration

COST FOR LUNCH: \$25



Republican Women Rising

WHEN: Generally last Monday of every month.

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

COST FOR DINNER: \$12 per person plus gratuity and tax.

TIME: • 5:30pm (Social) 6:30 (Meeting Begins)



York County Republican Party

WHEN: Generally last Thursday of every month.

WHERE: The Ft. Mill Hampton Inn

TIME: • 7:00 PM - Meeting begins

COST: No admission charge

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