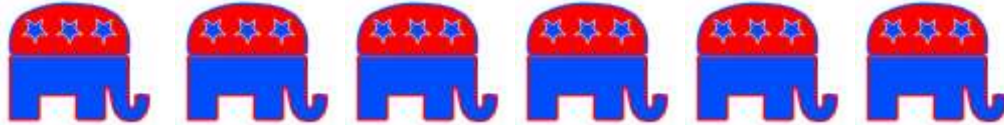


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President's Gavel

Emily "Pud" Kent



This afternoon I'll be able to go out and pick up more pine cones. If you have long needle pines you have probably noticed that there is an absolute bumper crop this year – and I have many long needle pines. That makes for thousands of pine cones. More than enough. Well, I need the exercise.

There's another thing I have more than enough of, and that is all the requests for money that come in the mail on a daily basis. When I give to Nature Conservancy I hear from all the other environment organizations. Then there's the ASPCA.

That signals requests from all the other animals' rights groups. The political notes flow in from the ACLJ to the many PACs. Once again, more than enough!

The requests from those running for President have now started. They pile up until I have time to sort and eliminate all the duplicates.

I did stop to read a letter from Mitt Romney and his exploratory committee. I am not ready, of course, to choose my favorite but I did like his platform.

Romney's ten points are briefly as follows:

1. Defeating the Jihadists
2. Competing with Asia
3. Stopping Runaway Spending
4. Getting Immigration Right
5. Achieving Energy Independence
6. Affirming America's Culture and Values
7. Simplifying the Tax System
8. Investing in Technology
9. Extending Health Insurance to All Americans
10. Raising the Bar on Education

I must say, he has my attention.

We only have about twenty more months of campaign ads.

Brace yourself, and may the best Republican win.

Pud

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Consider This...

Next Month's MRW Luncheon, on Monday, April 2, will feature a speaker on the topic of Immigration, Ron W. Woodward. Plan to attend - Pinehurst Members Club, 12:00 Noon! Meantime, consider this...



"In the first place, we should insist that if the immigrant who comes here in good faith becomes an American and assimilates himself to us, he shall be treated on an exact equality with everyone else, for it is an outrage to discriminate against any such man because of creed, or birthplace, or origin. But this is predicated upon the person's becoming in every facet an American, and nothing but an American... There can be no divided allegiance here. Any man who says he is an American, but something else also, isn't an American at all. We have room for but one flag, the American flag... We have room for but one language here, and that is the English language... and we have room for but one sole loyalty and that is a loyalty to the American people."

Theodore Roosevelt 1907

Wake Up, America!

By Ed Koch

A few days ago, The New York Times published a truly frightening article on insurgent battlefield tactics in Iraq. The article reported that "Insurgents are likely to continue combining car bombs with chlorine gas and other chemicals to launch attacks similar to three in recent weeks that spewed chlorine and sickened scores of Iraqis, the military warned Thursday."

Chlorine gas was first used as a weapon by Germany in World War I. France and Britain responded with poison gas of their own. Their lungs destroyed, tens of thousands of soldiers on both sides choked to death. Thousands more were wounded. Gas attacks were so horrible that neither side used poison gas in World War II.

But between 1980 and 1988, Saddam Hussein used poison gas against Iraqi Kurds and against the Iranian army. Iraqi insurgents and al-Qaeda terrorists have not hesitated to employ the worst tactics of terror, using car bombs in marketplaces, killing and injuring thousands of innocent Iraqi civilians, as well as torturing and beheading civilians, American and Iraqi, in their efforts to drive the U.S. Out of Iraq. Now they are using chlorine gas. Are they practicing tactics to use against us here at home?

When the U.S. Leaves Iraq, as the Democrats promise they will force President Bush to do, will we face the prospect of emboldened Jihadists, with the cry of "God is Great" on their lips, blowing Americans up here in the States? If terrorists explode radioactive bombs and tank trucks of chlorine gas in American cities, or worse still, full-fledged nuclear weapons, what will our reaction be? Will we be like the English and Spanish who, when their commuter trains were blown up in London and Madrid, rolled over and surrendered to terrorist demands?

In response to terror attacks on its soil, Spain withdrew its troops from Iraq and changed its government. Britain's Labor Party repudiated its leader, Prime Minister Tony Blair, ordering him to resign by next September, as well as beginning the reduction of its military forces in Iraq. Those forces, once totaling 40,000, are now less than 8,000 and scheduled to largely be withdrawn between now and 2008. Both President Bush and Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice referred to these announced British withdrawals as planned, acceptable to the U.S. And a victory over the insurgents and terrorists. That statement, had it been uttered by Pinocchio, would have lengthened his nose.

Will the next President, Democrat or Republican, respond to terror by withdrawing our troops in abject fear and sue for peace? What will peace cost? Perhaps conversion to Islam. Iran's President, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, and the leaders of al-Qaeda, Osama bin Laden and Ayman al-Zawahiri, have publicly stated all our sins will be forgiven if we convert and urged President Bush to lead the way with his personal conversion.

Of course, many of those in and out of Congress who have led the struggle to bring our troops home will laugh at the thought that conversion of the governmental leaders of the U.S. Or the payment of tribute by the U.S. Will ever come to pass. There were many who believed they could tame Hitler, who laid his plans out in detail in Mein Kampf before the beginning of the projected 1,000 year reign of the Third Reich -- a Third Reich which was brought to an end, through the combined efforts of the U.S., Great Britain and the U.S.S.R. But the cost was horrendous. More than 400,000 American service men and women died, along with 382,000 British soldiers and ten million Russian soldiers. Millions of civilians were killed around the world.

And yet, despite all the horror and carnage of the past, we don't appear to be learning from history. We don't seem to remember that appeasement never works. It didn't work at Munich in 1938, when Chamberlain made the infamous statement that we had achieved "peace in our time" with Hitler. It won't work now. Promises to leave Iraq have not bought peace for Britain. British authorities now say the danger of terror attacks inside Britain is greater than ever, with thousands of home-grown Jihadists ready to attack.

Why won't we take those who threaten us at their word? Why do we continue to make excuses for their threatening behavior until finally we will be forced to act because they have exploded the dirty bomb or the real nuclear bomb in our homeland?

There will come a time when it may be too late to simply respond to an attack. A nuclear attack on our homeland may hurt us so badly as to cause us to consider surrender. We may by then have lost our national will and physical strength needed to defend ourselves. Remember the refrain, primarily in Europe during the Cold War, "better Red than dead?"

Am I painting a too grim a picture? I don't think so. Wake up, America! This war is not only taking place in Iraq. The struggle is for the future of the world. Our enemies intend to conquer us, and they say so openly. The time to resist is now.

Family Security Matters Contributing Editor Ed Koch is the former mayor of New York City.



**What goes on there????
Let's all commit to CARE!!!!**

NEW IMMIGRATION PLAN

Bring our troops home from Iraq to guard the border. When they catch an illegal immigrant crossing the border, hand him a canteen, rifle and some ammo and ship him to Iraq. Tell him if he wants to come to America, then he must serve a tour in the military. Give him a soldier's pay while he's there and tax him on it. After his tour, he will be allowed to become a citizen since he defended this country. He will also be registered to be taxed and be a legal patriot. This option will probably deter illegal immigration; provide a solution for the troops in Iraq, and the aliens trying to make a better life for themselves.

If they refuse to serve, ship them to Iraq anyway, without the canteen, rifle or ammo. Problem solved.

Ed. Note: We don't know who originated this idea, but we like it!



FROM YOUR NEWSLETTER EDITORS:

Beginning in April, we're going to start sending the MRW Newsletter by e-mail as well as snail mail. Let us know whether you want e-mail, snail mail or both. Send an e-mail or call us with your preference. If we don't hear we'll assume you want to continue to receive snail mail. E-mailed version of the newsletter will be sent in color!

We've started to ask at our luncheons, and will continue to query until we think we have everyone's preferences.

A special option - continue to receive the mailed version and give that to a friend with an invitation to come to a luncheon with you!

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Chaplain's Corner

Mary Wittpenn

Heavenly Father, help us to embrace the qualities that will make our lives happier - love, kindness, caring, integrity, honesty and trust. Amen

Heart to Heart



MRW Calendar

Board Meeting @ BB&T - March 21

Monthly Meeting - April 2

Board Meeting - April 18



MOORE COUNTY REPUBLICAN CONVENTION

Grass Roots at its finest, we hope! On Saturday, March 24, the County Republican Convention is held at Owens Auditorium, Sandhills Community College. New Officers and at-large members of The Party Executive Committee will be elected. The Convention is at 2:00. All delegates and alternates are expected to attend.

The Muslim Assault on Germany

by Paul R. Hollrah

In the small village of Hahlen, in the German State of Niedersachsen (Lower Saxony), church records from the 4th and 5th centuries indicate the presence of a family named "*Hole den Rahen*", ("*Hole*" meaning give me, and "*den rahen*" meaning "the fields" or "meadows"). Hence, the early German name "*Holrahen*" meaning, "give me new land".

Through the centuries the name was shortened to "*Holrahe*" and later to "*Holrah*". A spelling error by either a quartermaster or a paymaster during the American Civil War added an additional "l" to the middle of the name, and it has been "*Hollrah*" ever since.

I only mention the roots of my family name because it can be traced back to a time in northwestern Germany at least a hundred years before the Prophet Muhammad was born in Mecca, in northern Arabia, in the year 570 AD.

The lands that my Saxon forbears occupied were marshy and not suitable for cultivation. Huge peat bogs stretched for miles, but the industrious Saxons cleared the arable lands and drained the marshes, using drainage canals and terracing. My people have been living on those lands for more than 1,500 years, since before Muhammad was born, and now his followers want to take it away from them.

One farm, near the village of Menslage, has been in my family, continuously, since the year 1245. I have visited those places on two occasions and on each visit I have been overwhelmed by the thought of my great-great-grandfather and my 10-year-old great-grandfather walking away from their home, with only the clothes on their backs and their few possessions in hand, seeking a better life in America.

Germany is the seat of the Protestant Reformation, and with the exception of the years that encompass the Nazi era of the 1930s and 40s, and the years of communist domination of East Germany during the Cold War, Germany has always been a devoutly Christian nation. Moreover, no nation has contributed more to the arts, to science, to religion, to philosophy, to the expansion of human knowledge, than have the Germans.

During the 20th century, Germany has been the instigator of two brutal and costly world wars. And as a result of those two great wars, Germany has also acquired a well-deserved reputation as a warrior nation. The Germans were seen as great battlefield tacticians; culturally, they were well-suited to military discipline; and, intellectually, they were unequalled in the production of advanced weaponry.

It is a reputation which, if true, would serve the Germans well today.. as it would all of Europe. However, with the close of World War II and the disclosure of the horrors of the Nazi holocaust, the German people have been clothed in a mantle of shame unknown to any ethnic group in history - much of it self-imposed.

Now, after years of liberal immigration policies, Muslims are overrunning Germany, as they are all of Europe. And when the world needs a Germany that can live up to its reputation as a tough, nationalistic state, that nation no longer exists. They have become a nation of sheep - as have the Dutch, the French, the Italians, the Belgians, the Scandinavians, and yes, even the British

There was a time, in the past century, when the Germans and the British were warriors. That is no longer true of the Germans. And in Great Britain, where the government struggles mightily to play a major role in the fight against Islamic fascism, radical leftists threaten to overthrow even a socially liberal Labor government.

In an interview with a Brussels newspaper (De Standaard, October 23) Dutch author, Oscar Van den Boogaard, described what appears to be the attitude of most post-WWII Europeans. He said, "I am not a warrior, but who is? I have never learned to fight for my freedom. I was only good at enjoying it."

As John Stuart Mill has said, "War is an ugly thing, but not the ugliest of things. The decayed and degraded state of moral and patriotic feeling which thinks nothing worth a war, is worse. A man who has nothing which he cares more about than he does about his personal safety is a miserable creature who has no chance at being free, unless made and kept so by the exertions of better men than himself."

It is a sad picture, a Europe where so many of the people have never learned to fight for their freedom - where people were only good at enjoying it. But it is sadder still to realize that nearly half the American people - liberals, Democrats, the anti-war radicals with the loudest voices - agree with them -; relying for their freedoms on the exertions of better men than they.

So what is it about the term - miserable creatures - that liberals, Democrats, and anti-war radicals find so appealing?

Submitted by Norma Cappelletti

Legislative Report

National Hot Button Issues (still the same):

- Iraq—now slow bleed of funds by Dems—we did that after Tet offensive together with a fast pull out and had to leave goods and equipment behind for lack of funds. History repeats itself? Ask the Dems.
- Comprehensive Immigration Bill—passed Senate last year—President still wants worker program and amnesty for illegals no decisions yet—Second part of equation is the green card holders—there is a huge backlog of request for legal immigration—Bill Gates spoke out saying this is causing a brain drain for legals who are highly educated in tech as well as other fields and may get discouraged and return to home country--we need a makeover of the Immigration Bill it is totally broken.
- Healthcare—14 states are running out of money for uninsured—California Governor suggesting that his state will pick up the costs because federal government is not—patients now go to emergency rooms which costs triple what normal medical care would be if funded by the state thereby actually saving money—what a concept saving money? President Bush is again talking about healthcare for uninsured which also is broken and needs fixing. Hillary talking about universal healthcare again—socialized medicine?
- Homeland security—everyone is on the bandwagon for security but as soon as boarder agents do their job the liberal civil rights activists move to have not the illegals but boarder agents arrested and sent to prison—we had another incident recently.
- New kind of diplomacy being used on Iran. It is called muscular and coercive with the threat of force—sounds good to me.

State Hot Button Issues:

- Representative Black pleads guilty to charges. Does not run for Speaker again.
- Jessica's Law being brought up again—it passed last year but in a very watered down version—MRW and NCRW will continue to fight to have the same law as Florida.
- Gov. Easley say lottery money is not coming in as projected therefore there will be a shortfall for education needs—gee what a surprise.
- NC is the only state in the Southeast that has refused to protect marriage to the fullest extent of the law—please write to your representatives in Raleigh and ask that they pass this immediately—right now it is stuck in the ways and means committee, which has not met since 2001.

County Hot Button Issues:

- County has mailed out tax revaluation to home owners—owners shocked at how much their property value has increased—appeals can be filed within 30 days of receipt of valuation to the tax department.
- County is appealing to the state to apply a land transfer tax—if permission is granted then they can use this tax as revenue for improvements due to expansion and new building in the county. Good tax or bad tax? I don't know.

Local Hot Button Issues:

- Southern Pines as well as Pinehurst both under fire for PUD and CORE respectively—towns are only trying to get a handle on future growth and how best to manage it.
- Round about at NC 2 and Carolina Vista is a done deal according to DOT and Village—good idea bad idea?—I don't know—we can only hope that it will relieve the traffic problem.
- Annexation of Pinewild is still going through public hearings—some think that the hearings are just letting the public vent and that board has its mind made up—they could be right but what a surprise Pinewild from its inception was to be annexed at a certain level of development—this issue will continue as a problem for the current town council in the next local election—it has already effected the stat election in Moore County.

Lois Mitchell, Legislative Chair

MRW APRIL MEETING

Our speaker for the April MRW meeting on Monday, April 2nd, will be Ron W. Woodward. His topic will be immigration reform. Born in Northampton County, NC, Mr. Woodard has lived in Cary, since 1987. He worked for a Fortune 500 corporation for thirty-three years in marketing and sales. Since 2002 he has served as the Director of NC LISTEN, a non-profit organization dedicated to immigration reform. NC LISTEN partners with the Federation for American Immigration Reform [FAIR] and the Southeast Alliance for Sensible Immigration Policy. He has been a guest on many radio programs and has written op-ed pieces for several newspapers. Mr. Woodward became interested in immigration reform in 1986, while living in the Washington, DC/northern Virginia area. He joined FAIR (Federation for American Immigration Reform) in 1987 and continue to be a member. Come to the meeting, and bring a friend!

MEMBERSHIP**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!**

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SPRING is coming!! The season equated with new beginnings seems a particularly fitting time to announce some new happenings at MRW!

First, a membership drive is commencing to recruit new members. You already know the several benefits of membership. NOW you need to bring friends, neighbors, or colleagues with you to the coming luncheons. If you successfully recruit five new members before December, your membership for 2008 is FREE!!

Second, a new committee was formed and already has met for the first time -- making real progress in fulfilling its mission. This committee is addressing two main target areas, which are interrelated. The first is to gather together representatives of all four GOP clubs to demonstrate a solid united coalition, and to formulate some joint projects. All four club Presidents have also been working on this goal.

The most logical joint action, also vital to our country's future, is the second target area. We must develop ways to reach out and inform the majority of voters who receive their only political information from the mass media. They are consistently misled and under-informed; often they are led to believe basic untruths, conveyed by implication rather than more easily contradicted flat statements. Another barrier to effective contacts with these people is how busy their lives are; we will need to find ways of communicating that are pin-pointed and easily understood.

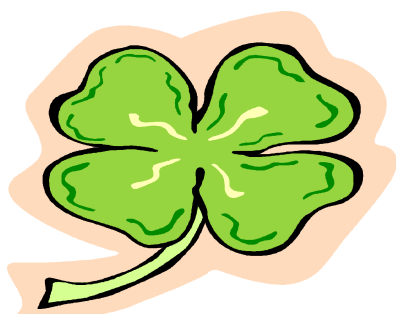
Which comes full circle to you, the member. If we are to be effective, we will need workers! Come, bring your recruits, and ask what you can do! 2008 is not that far away!

Linda Jarrett, Membership Chair

"Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same, or one day we will spend our sunset years telling our children and our children's children what it was once like in the United States where men were free."

President Ronald Reagan

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HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

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