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July 28 Luncheon Meeting
 12:00 Noon, *The Phoenix Inn*
 \$18.00 Members
 \$20.00 Non Members

Mary Beth Green, President

Pursuing life, liberty, and happiness can take many paths, but we first must understand our challenge. Similar to our Founding Fathers, we pledge to each other our lives and our honor to fight for republican principles of smaller government, less taxes, and citizen responsibility. In other words, we must **engage effectively** to preserve liberty.

The Democrat Party has not met a tax they do not like. In order to exact more taxes, comes more government control. Liberty promotes expanding our economy, but control merely manages dwindling resources and stifles us all. Often taxes, that become due in full in the future, are passed without a vote from the people because our legislators have used tax receipts in a deceptive manner. Our July speaker, Curtis Loftis, explains ways our Statehouse legislators have repeatedly done this. My guest this month, Tom Barilovits, will briefly explain the increasing monopolistic control of the Greenville Hospital System. If not you and I, then who will confront this deception and control? As Margaret Thatcher said, "A man's right to work as he will, to spend what he earns, to own property, to have the state as servant and not as master, they are the essence of a free economy, and on that freedom all our other freedoms depend." Ronald Reagan agreed with the "Iron Lady" and so do I.

This week marks the beginning of the GOP Convention and the race to make America great and SAFE again. Let us work to put the Republican nominees in the White House and other Republicans in state Houses across our nation and the great state of South Carolina!

#Remember Vince Foster #Remember HRC's Health Care Reform SECRET Meetings
#Remember Whitewater #Remember Travelgate #Remember Benghazi #Remember the Unsecured Server

#NEVER CLINTON

Many have said they would like to get to know the other members and guests of our group better. We encourage you to come to the luncheon about 11:30 a.m. to mingle, introduce yourself, participate in any fundraisers and make sure your GCRWC notebooks are up to date.

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Racine Cooper, 2nd Vice President



The guest speaker for this month's luncheon meeting is South Carolina Treasurer, Curtis M. Loftis, Jr. He was elected State Treasurer in 2010, winning all 46 counties in his first bid for public office and was re-elected in 2014. A strong fiscal conservative, he is a passionate advocate for taxpayers.

Mr. Loftis owns several businesses and is the founder and sole benefactor of the Saluda Charitable Foundation, a charity that operates in Ukraine, Bolivia and Haiti. He is a 1981 graduate of the University of South Carolina and resides in West Columbia, SC.

**PLEASE NOTE: The July 28 Meeting will be held at the Phoenix Inn, 246 North Pleasantburg Drive
Enter in the main lobby and go to the right to the Ballroom.**

****** GET INVOLVED LOCALLY ******

Karen McManaway, By-Laws Chair

County Council is needing various Boards and Commissions filled and I know we have a very talented group that has a lot to offer. The applications must be filled out by the end of July.

Go to: <http://www.greenvillecounty.org/apps/countycouncilboard/countywideboards.aspx>



BOARD	# UPCOMING VACANCIES
Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee	3
Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission	1
Board of Tax Assessment Appeals	6
Construction Board of Appeals	2
Economic Development Corporation (Railroad)	1
Greater Greenville Sanitation District Commission	1
Historic Preservation Commission	2
Human Relations Commission	6
Metropolitan Sewer Sub-District	1
Museum Commission	4
Parks, Recreation and Tourism Advisory Board	2
Redevelopment Authority	5
Thrive Upstate (formerly Disabilities and Special Needs Board)	3
Zoning Board of Appeals	2

The website will give you instructions on how to apply, which seats are available, and more detailed information about what the Board or Commission does. If you want to get involved with our government at a local level, I cannot think of a better opportunity than this. If you have any questions please give Karen a call at 864-283-6040, or call Mary Beth Green at 864-654-4627.

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Stacy Shea, Americanism/Homeland Security Committee

With the busy primary and runoff season now solidly behind us, we have the opportunity to foster mutually respectful relationships with our newly elected officials from the upstate. These individuals, their families and friends have poured a tremendous amount of time, energy and financial resources into their campaigns to secure offices representing **US**. We can now learn how to support them and inform their discretion, which is the role of the citizen as originally intended by the founders of this great Republic.

To that end, we are pleased to let you know that in September we will be resuming our **Women on Washington (WOW)** socials for ladies and gentlemen who would like to enjoy some light fare, socializing and a brief presentation on how you can learn to effectively build those relationships and foster influence with our lawmakers.

Price will be about \$10 and we will have sign-up sheets at the July meeting. For more information, you can contact Stacy Shea at stacy@adamantinealliance.com.

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SUNSHINE NEWS

Please be in prayer for Dianne Mitchell's baby grandson, Josiah, who has had some health issues.

Gayle Stanley, Chair - email your Sunshine news to t-gstanley@att.net

**** LEGISLATIVE NOTES – JULY 2016 ****

Debbie Spaugh, Legislative Chair



On 7/6/16, the US Senate voted down two bills which would have helped protect Americans from illegal aliens. Both bills received majority support but fell short of the 60 votes needed to advance. The first was S.3100, **Senator Toomey's "Stop Dangerous Sanctuary Cities Act"**. The seven cosponsors of the bill were Inhofe, Vitter, Cruz, Johnson, Cotton, Wicker, and Grassley. Senator Kirk of Illinois was the only Republican to oppose the bill. **Senator Tim Scott voted in favor of the bill. Senator Lindsey Graham did not vote. The other bill was S.2193, Senator Ted Cruz's "Stop Illegal Reentry Act", or "Kate's Law"** named for Kate Steinle, who was killed by an illegal alien who had been deported five times and had seven felony convictions. The ten cosponsors were Grassley, Vitter, Perdue, Rubio, Inhofe, Kirk, Sasse, Toomey, Johnson, and Wicker. **Senator Tim Scott voted in favor of the bill. Senator Lindsey Graham did not vote.**

I hope most Republicans would agree that Obamacare is a fiasco. It is probably going to get much worse. In an article in *The Journal of the American Medical Association* published 7/11/16, Obama is calling on Congress to add a "public option" to Obamacare. Obama writes, "Congress should revisit a public plan to compete alongside private insurers in areas of the country where competition is limited." Private insurance companies have to make a profit to stay in business. They will not be able to compete with the federal government, which seems to have an endless supply of taxpayers' money. I wonder how long it will be before most private insurers are forced out of business, and we are all forced into single payer (total government controlled) healthcare? Obama and Hillary Clinton have both stated that this is their goal. Perhaps, if we elect a Republican President and keep a Republican majority in the House and Senate, we can repeal Obamacare and work toward a free-market healthcare system.

Autumn Shea, daughter of Thom and Stacy Shea, is a new cadet at the United States Military Academy at West Point and is a member of the class of 2020. She is the third generation of the Shea family to attend the academy and the first female, following in her father's and grandfather's footsteps. She will be majoring in International Studies and aspires to eventually serve as part of the JAG Corps. It would mean a lot to the family if anyone from the club would like to write Autumn since she will have no access to the outside world for quite some time still. This is a grueling time of training and the young men and women need all the encouragement they can get! Drop her a note or card at: ***New Cadet Shea, PO Box 4042, West Point, NY 10997-4042***

**** CAMPAIGN NOTES ****

Janice McPhee, Campaign Chair

Thanks to all those members who submitted their volunteer hours for our June Campaign Contest. Congratulations to Linda Dillard, winner of the June drawing. The prize was a Popper's bracelet and a free lunch at our July meeting!

Remember to submit all your volunteer hours to me for hours worked - especially on the recent elections. Thank you for all the help you gave to our GOP candidates.

Please continue to get those hours in to me as it is so important - they show how hard we work for our GOP candidates as well as for our club. **Engage!** Email me at jatmwgm@charter.net or call me at 864-967-9618!

"It isn't so much that liberals are ignorant. It's just that they know so many things that aren't so." *Ronald Reagan*

**** MEMBERSHIP ****

Dianne Mitchell, Membership Chair

NEW MEMBER TABLE – Reminder: new members are invited to sit at the New Member tables. We've expanded to 2 tables to be sure our new members feel comfortable and make some solid friendships. If you have not yet been introduced, when you make your July reservation, please also email Dianne at diannekm@charter.net or call her at 244-2727. Watch for another New Member Orientation/Social in late summer!

WELCOME NEW MEMBER IN JUNE!

**** Lynn Schaeffer ****

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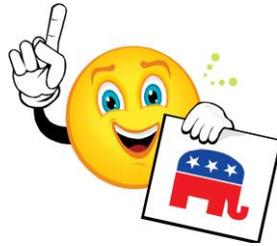
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Click the Greenville Women's Club link, and pay ahead of time by credit card.

Be sure to make reservations for all guests, also. Any lunches (including "standing reservations") not cancelled by noon on Monday, July 25, will be billed by the club. Please be aware that once the number of reservations has been turned in, the club must honor our commitment to pay for that number of lunches. Thank you! ☺

PLEASE NOTE: The July 28 meeting will be held in the Ballroom at the Phoenix Inn

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