

THE VILLAGES REPUBLICAN CLUB NEWSLETTER

The Villages, Florida

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Have You Ever Wondered How Sumter County Operates?

The Villages Republican will host Sumter County Administrator, Thursday, March 14, 2019 at the Savannah Regional Recreation Center. Doors open at 6:30 PM for a meet and greet and the meeting will start at 7:00 pm. This meeting is open to all Republicans and like-minded conservatives and their guests. Our guest speaker will be Mr. Bradley Arnold, County Administrator, Sumter County, Florida. Mr. Arnold will discuss the breath of the County and his work with the Board of County Commissioners, the County Constitutional Officers and the many offices within the County. For additional and up to date information; visit the Club Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/thevillagesrepublicanclub or Club Web Page at <http://sumterrepublicans.com/the-villages-republican-club-2/>.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THE MEETING OF YOUR CLUB

President's Message

Members of The Villages Republican Club and Fellow Republicans! We did not have a meeting in Febraury due the Valentine's Day falling on our meeting day. We hope you had a great Valentine's Day.

We need to continue working hard to ensure President Trump wins the White House again to further his agenda to **MAKE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN** and for **KEEPING AMERICA GREAT** for generations to come.

TRUMP 2020!

Meeting Minutes

**SINCE WE DID NOT HAVE A MEETING IN FEBRUARY, WE ARE
RESENDING THE JANUARY MINUTES**

The Villages Republican Club Minutes January 10, 2019

TVRC President, Jerry Prince, called the January 10, 2018 meeting to order at 7:00pm at the Savannah Regional Recreation Center. 106 attendees were present. The invocation was given by Cindy Evans and followed by Wildwood Commissioner, Joe Elliott lead the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance. TVRC Secretary, Will Statom, confirmed that a quorum was present.

TVRC did not have a Meeting in December so no December minutes were presented for approval. A voice motion for approval of the November minutes was received from the floor, and seconded from the floor. The motion carried with a voice approval. Treasurer Carl Kruger reported a December 31, 2018 balance of \$10,664.19. A motion to approve the report was received from the floor, and seconded from the floor. Voice affirmation from the floor approved the report.

Distinguished guests recognized by President Jerry Prince, included:

- Sumter County Commissioner Al Butler
- Sumter County Commissioner Doug Gilpin
- Wildwood City Commissioner Joe Elliott
- Wildwood City Commissioner Marcos Flores
- SCREC Chair John Temple
- Marina Woolcock, Sumter County State Committeewoman
- John Black, Sumter County State Committeeman
- SECO District 3 Trustee Dick Belles
- CDD Number 10 Supervisor Ken Lieberman
- CDD 1 attendee Phil Walker
- CDD 12 attendee Andy Bilardello.

State Representative Bret Hage was recognized for his generous contribution to The Villages Republican Club, Sumter County Republican Club, the Republican Federated Women of The Villages, the Republican Executive Committees of Lake, Sumter and Marion Counties. President Jerry Prince also advised the membership that there would not be a February membership meeting due to Valentine's Day and that Brad Arnold, Sumter County Administrator would be the featured speaker for the March 14, 2019 membership meeting at The Savannah Center.

The 2019 membership meeting schedule is as follows: January, March and April meetings will be conducted at The Savannah Center.

The May, June, July, August, September, October and November membership meetings will be held at Colony Cottage Regional Recreation Center.

SCREC Chair John temple informed the TVRC attendees that Sumter County had the highest percentage of voter turnout (77.7%) in the State of Florida and Sumter County was the recipient of a \$10,000.00 award for their efforts. Chairmen Temple also had comments about the Lincoln Day Dinner.

President Jerry Prince advised the membership that TVRC was on Facebook “The Villages Republican Club” and that we had a web page at <http://sumterrepublicans.com/the-villages-republican-club-2/>.

Dick Belles, District 3 SECO Trustee asked the qualified members to please reelect/support him in the upcoming (Jan 24, 2019) election for the SECO District 3 Trustee from 4:30PM to 6:00PM at The Savannah Center. This election is in conjunction with the SECO annual shareholder's meeting at 6:00PM.

A reminder from the TVRC leadership that 2019 dues are \$15.00, and due by February 28, 2019.

Dr. Gary Lester addressed the TVRC Membership and told the membership about his recent trip to Tallahassee and Washington DC., and admonished the membership to remain steadfast and get prepared for 2020.

A build the wall rally was announced for January 12, 2019 at 4:00PM and the group was to meet at the Barnes and Noble Store in the Villages.

Walter Lazinski conducted the 50/50 drawing, and 3 winners were selected.
January 2019 President Jerry Prince adjourned the meeting at 8:15PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Will Statom

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Secretary TVRC

UpComing Events

For all upcoming events and up to date information, please go to
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April 11, 2019 - Breadth of Roles of the Florida Attorney General

May 9, 2019 – Ericka Donalds – School Choice

June 13, 2019 – Breadth of Roles of the Florida Commissioner of Agriculture

July 11, 2019 – John Michael Chalmers - Illegal Immigration

August 8, 2019 – State Representative & State Senator

September 12, 2019 – Breadth of Roles of the Florida Chief Finance Officer

October 10, 2019 – Club Officer Nomination & Florida Term Limits

November 14, 2019 – Club Officer Elections & Open Discussion on Next Year's
Agenda

December 12, 2019 – Club Christmas Celebration

Help Wanted Ads

Critical!!

Your Club is looking for individuals who wish to get involved with the Club in many roles. We need volunteers to help the Club get ready for a big push to keep Florida **RED**.

Opportunities

Program Chairman

Work with the TVRC board and members to develop and manage the TVRC program for the year. This would include suggesting speakers / events, contacting speakers and coordinating the event activities. This individual will head a committee to accomplish a program agenda to help the membership better understand the political process of Florida and our local community.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Membership dues are only \$15 for the year of 2019. Remember if your dues are not paid you will not be able to vote on TVRC issues. Dues must be paid by February 28, 2019 to be a member in good standing for the year. You can pay your dues at a Club meeting or by sending a check to P.O. Box 222, Oxford, FL 34484.

Shirts and name tags will be available at our meetings. If you have ordered your shirt and name tag you can pick them up at the next meeting.

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