

# THE VILLAGES REPUBLICAN CLUB NEWSLETTER

The Villages, Florida

May 2020



## THE VILLAGES REPUBLICAN CLUB

The Villages Republican Club meeting on Thursday, May 14, 2020 at Colony Cottage Regional Recreation Center, 510 Colony Blvd, The Villages, FL 32162 was cancelled due to Recreation Centers being closed for meetings until May 31, 2020. The China Virus is still causing issues with gatherings. Please keep in mind the guidelines from the CDC and Florida Health with social distancing, covering for coughing/sneezing and washing your hands to help prevent transmission. We look forward to being back soon, but must get through the war on the China Virus. For additional and up to date information; visit the Club Facebook Page at [www.facebook.com/thevillagesrepublicanclub](http://www.facebook.com/thevillagesrepublicanclub), Club Web Page at <http://sumterrepublicans.com/the-villages-republican-club-2/> or the Club Twitter account [@villagesrepclub](https://twitter.com/villagesrepclub).

# President's Message

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.

We hope you and all Americans are doing well with this COVID 19 virus pandemic. We would also like to thank everyone for following the CDC and Florida Health guidelines which caused the slowing of the pandemic. Let's continue to following the CDC and Florida Health guidelines about social distancing, covering when coughing or sneezing and washing your hands, etc. We are keeping tabs on what new and ever changing guidelines from the CDC and Florida Health, along with The Villages Recreation Administration, to determine if we will be able to have our May 2020 meeting. We will keep you informed as we learn what we need to be informed. Please take care of yourselves and your families and we look forward to seeing you back at our meetings when this blows over.

We need to talk to our neighbors, friends and family about what is going on in our Country and get them to get out and vote. **AND VOTE REPUBLICAN!** Talk to Democrats about how their Party has left them and they can switch their Party affiliation to Republican and vote for President Trump to **KEEP AMERICA GREAT.**

After this passes, we will need to work very hard to get President Trump re-elected, take back the House of Representatives and increase the numbers in the Senate and elect Republicans at every level. We also need to fight every lie the Democrats attempt to tell America. Go to [promiseskeep.com](https://promiseskeep.com) for help.

**TRUMP 2020!**  
**KEEP AMERICA GREAT**

# Meeting Minutes

The Villages Republican Club Minutes

February 13, 2020

TVRC President Jerry Prince called the February 13, 2020 TVRC Membership meeting to order at 7:00PM at The Savannah Regional Recreation Center.

Cindy Evans followed with the invocation and Wildwood Commissioner Joe Elliott followed by leading the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

TVRC Secretary Will Statom told President Jerry Prince that a quorum was present and President Jerry Prince asked for approval of the January 2020 minutes. A motion to approve and second came from the floor and a voice vote approved the January minutes.

TVRC Treasurer Carl Kruger presented the financial report and stated that the TVRC had beginning balance \$11,919.69, plus \$786.00 (dues and cash drawing) as of January 1, 2020. He reported a balance of \$11,988.25 ending January 31, 2020. Please note: There was no December 2019 meeting. A motion to approve the reports and second was received from the floor and the Treasurers Report was approved by voice vote.

Distinguished guests recognized by TVRC Vice-President Pat Francis, included:

- State Committeeman John Black
- Sumter County Commissioner District 1 Al Butler
- Sumter County Commissioner District 3 Don Burgess
- Sumter County Commissioner District 5 Steve Printz
- Wildwood City Commissioner Joe Elliott

- District 6 Chair John Calandro
- District 10 Vice Chair Ken Lieberman
- District 12 Member Andy Bilardello

President Jerry Prince announced that the March TVRC Membership meeting would be held March 19, 2020 at The Savannah Regional Recreation Center. PLEASE NOTE: (This is a 1 time change from the second Thursday to the third Thursday due to The Savannah Regional Recreation Center scheduling conflict)

President Jerry Prince announced that county and local candidates were present and requested that TVRC members sign petitions for appearing on the 2020 ballot. Also, a volunteer sign up table was at the rear of the room.

President Jerry Prince also announced electronic ways to "stay in touch" with the TVRC: [http://Facebook.com/The Villages Republican Club](http://Facebook.com/TheVillagesRepublicanClub), <http://sumterrepublicans.com> (under clubs), [Twitter@villagesrepclub](https://twitter.com/villagesrepclub)

[Promiseskept.com](http://Promiseskept.com) Donald J. Trump for President

Our featured speaker was Marlin Fitzwater, Press Secretary for Presidents Ronald Reagan and George H.W. Bush. Mr. Fitzwater is the only Presidential Press Secretary to have been appointed to two Presidents. Mr. Fitzwater entertained the members in attendance with several stories and incidents about both Presidents. His book "Calm Before the Storm" was available with autograph.

Michele Gomez conducted the cash drawing and 3 prizes were awarded.

President Jerry Prince adjourned the meeting at 8:00PM. 146 persons were in attendance.

Respectfully submitted,

*Will Statom*

Will Statom, TVRC Secretary

# Upcoming Events

For additional and up to date information; visit the Club Facebook Page at [www.facebook.com/thevillagesrepublicanclub](http://www.facebook.com/thevillagesrepublicanclub), Club Web Page at <http://sumterrepublicans.com/the-villages-republican-club-2/> or the Club Twitter account [@villagesrepclub](https://twitter.com/villagesrepclub).

June 11, 2020 – Sumter County Commissioner Candidates at Colony Cottage

July 8, 2020 – Sumter County Sheriff Candidates at Colony Cottage

August 13, 2020 - State Senator Dennis Baxley and State Representative Brett Hage at Colony Cottage

September 10, 2020 - Candidates that won the Primary and have opponents for General Election at Colony Cottage

October 8, 2020 - Club Officer Nomination, Peter Feaman, National Committeeman & all candidates wishing to attend at Colony Cottage

November 12, 2020 - Club Officer Elections, Celebration of Republicans Victories & Open Discussion on Next Year's Agenda at Colony Cottage

# Help Wanted

**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**.

## For the Good of the Order

Membership dues are only \$15 for the year. Name Tags are available for \$6.00, a onetime fee. Remember if your dues are not paid you will not be able to vote on TVRC issues and you will not receive email updates. Dues must be paid by the end of February each year 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.

Merchandise to include Trump items and "Team Melania" shirts, will be available at our meetings. If you have ordered your shirt and name tag you can pick them up at the next meeting.

For those who wish to contribute to President Trump by mail, please send a personal check, payable to the "Donald J. Trump for President, Inc." to:

Donald J. Trump President, Inc.  
C/O Trump Tower  
725 5th Avenue  
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You can also contribute to the President's 2020 campaign by going to Donald J. Trump's website, go to <https://www.donaldjtrump.com/> and on the upper right hand side you will see the **Contribute** button. Click the button and follow the instructions.

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