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Save the Dates

BBQ, Bluegrass & the Bill of Rights, Oct 3, 12 noon – 3 PM
Exchange Club Park
Tickets sold out! See you there!

OC GOP Monthly Meeting & Movie Night: *Trump Card*
Oct 9, 7 PM, Gathercole Home

Get Out The Vote!
Oct 10, 17, 24, 31 from 9-12 noon

Caravan to the Capitol
Oct 10, 2 PM
OC GOP Headquarters

Pres Debate Watch Party
Oct 15 & 22, 8:30 PM
OC GOP Headquarters

Get Involved!

The Orange County GOP is an all-volunteer organization of your neighbors who are interested in smaller and more effective government that follows conservative principles.

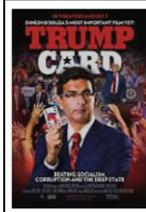
Your help will make a difference!

Please consider ways you can assist: organizing events, making phone calls, writing articles, working at the polls, attending county commission meetings, and more! To volunteer, visit orange.nc.gop/volunteer.

To join our email list, visit our website <https://orange.nc.gop> and sign up!

Questions? Email us at Chairmanocncgop@centurylink.net

OC GOP Headquarters:
125 Boone Square Street
Hillsborough, NC 27278



Join us for a **special monthly meeting and movie night** where we will screen Dinesh D'Souza's latest film, ***Trump Card***, on Friday, October 9 at 7 PM.

This will be a backyard movie event at the Gathercole home. Pizza and soft drinks provided. \$10 donation appreciated to offset costs. Visit the Event page of our website for details.

Stock up on some Trump merchandise before it's gone! We have yard signs, t-shirts, flags, hats, masks and more. All purchases help support our candidates and grassroots efforts in Orange County, so stop by today!



Chair's Corner

Conservatives are putting it all on the line the next five weeks to win the 2020 election.

At the Supreme Court, Justice Ruth Ginsburg's passing is a true loss of a legal mind. President Trump's nomination of Judge Amy Coney Barrett will be a great addition to the Supreme Court in the years ahead. Judge Barrett served under Justice Scalia after college. She spent 15 years as a law professor at Notre Dame before being nominated by President Trump to the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals in 2017. Her confirmation will help move the nation back to conservative and constitutional principles.

To achieve this, we must ensure everyone is registered and votes so that we can re-elect President Trump and retain the Senate majority.

The voter registration deadline is Friday, October 9 at 5 PM. If you are not registered to vote GO NOW and do so. You can check your voter registration by going to this website: <https://vt.ncsbe.gov/RegLkup/>

Absentee voting is happening now. The deadline to request your absentee ballot is 5 PM on Oct 27.

Early voting starts on October 15 and continues through October 31. Same-day registration is available at the early voting sites. Early voting locations and hours may be found on our website under "Voter Info".

During this election season, let's remember Ronald Reagan's words from 1967, "Freedom...is never more than one generation away from extinction." Read on to hear two of our OCGOP members share their lived experiences on just how fragile freedom can be.

- *Waddy Davis, Colonel (Ret.) US Army Special Forces
Chairman, Orange County Republican Party*

OC BOCC Update by Riley Ruske

The Board of County Commissioners has had an active September. In the September 10 Work Session they spent over an hour discussing another effort to infringe on the Second Amendment rights of our citizens. All Second Amendment supporters need to be vigilant to prevent this backdoor effort.

Also in the work session, the Commissioners discussed how to change the election method for themselves. In a surprise development in the March primary, incumbents Rich and Marcoplos lost to two outsiders. This led the Commissioners to create a committee to change the election method—probably to protect incumbents in the future. Maybe if Rich and Marcoplos better represented the citizens they would not have lost!!

The September 15 Regular Business Meeting started with Chair Rich presenting a petition for a resolution to push for decriminalizing marijuana for medical and recreational use. Her request was based on “social justice” grounds. The resolution also seeks to have all records of criminal convictions for distribution, use and possession expunged. After a brief discussion, the resolution passed with only Commissioner McKee voting against.

The other big issue is the request for approval of the Research Triangle Logistics Park. Nearly 100 residents signed up to object to the Park. It seems the residents don't want the community destroyed by massive truck traffic associated with the Park proposal. It remains to be seen if the Commissioners heard their voices.

Remember—Orange County has the highest property and sales tax rates in North Carolina and county government intends to increase the property tax in coming years. This will come in addition to the increase due to revaluation next year. The only way you can influence this is to participate in local government!!

Escape from Poland by Iwona Tauer

I'm an immigrant from Communist Poland. I escaped from there years ago (1985). Doing so put my family at risk. They could have been imprisoned.

I had a successful business there, but the Communist government taxed up to 90% from the successful people. I see that happening here. That's what Biden suggests.

We were taught history according to what the government wanted us to believe. The truth was passed down from our parents and grandparents, if we were lucky to have them, as so many grandparents died in WW II.

My greatest fear is that I may be subjected to socialism again. It makes everyone equally poor, and themselves, the government, equally rich and POWERFUL. They already do that to a large degree here.

Here is a fact: In Communist Poland food was scarce and limited. Martial Law was in effect December 13, 1981 thru July 22, 1983. It may be our next challenge after they take our guns.

Rationing was the norm, long lines for everything, power outages for hours were the norm. Look at California.

Traveling was forbidden without a permit. The government had everything they wanted in special stores.

Thanks to John Paul II's support and Reagan, the regime collapsed.

Why I Support Republicans by Rae Zhou

I was born in a small village in the southwest of China in the middle of the 60s. China was a socialist country.

In my early memory, I always felt hungry and wanted to know if I could make everything I see as food. My family had porridge year around. There were no vegetables or meat. Pickles or chili sauce were on the table for every meal. If we were lucky and could catch some grasshoppers, baboo worms, bee worms or rat, we felt so happy and cooked them. The land belonged to the community and people worked together. The food was distributed according to the days people went to work at the field, so people did not work hard. Harvest was bad.

I came to the USA in the 90s as a foreign student. I felt USA was so beautiful and people were so nice. When I did research about the policies of the two parties, I found the policies of the Democratic Party like welfare, open borders, and giving welfare to illegal immigrants are socialist policies. They would make the USA weak and poor. The policies of the Republican Party make the USA more prosperous. They give people jobs and dignity.

From my experience, do not vote for the Democratic Party. Do not let the USA become a socialist country!

Thoughts on the Supreme Court Vacancy by Vince DiSandro, Sr.

In the event of a Supreme Court vacancy the President has a constitutional duty to nominate a replacement. This may take place AT ANY POINT in his term. Nancy Pelosi would like to impeach President Trump for fulfilling his constitutional duty.

A little history is in order. In the past 200 years at least 26 nominations have been made in election years. Sixteen were made before the election and ten after the election but prior to inauguration. The vast majority of these nominations have been confirmed.

Chuck Schumer wants to cry about precedent, while he threatens to pack the court, blow up the filibuster and do away with the Electoral College. If anyone thinks that the Democrats - if they had the White House and the required votes in the Senate - would not fill a Supreme Court seat, they are sadly mistaken.



Orange County GOP Needs You! Early voting is around the corner, and we still need volunteers to help at the info tables outside polling stations to hand out sample ballots and candidate literature. Volunteers are needed outside early voting sites from Oct 15-31 and in each precinct on Election Day, Nov 3. If you can spare a few hours to help with a shift, please call Trish Randall at 919.732.4389 or 919.951.9516. Three hours can make a HUGE difference!

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