



ORANGE GOP

Your Orange County Conservative News

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Save the Dates

OCGOP Executive Committee Meeting

Dec 10, 8 PM, Zoom meeting
Meeting ID: 897 3577 3650
Passcode: 184078

Note: No regular Monthly Meeting in December.

OCGOP Christmas Party

Dec 11, 6:00 - 9:00 PM
Sunrise Church, Chapel Hill
Please RSVP for headcount:
orange.nc.gop/christmas_party

Holiday Office Hours

M, W, F 10am–4pm, Sat 10-1
Dec 20 - Jan 3: Closed
Jan 4+: M, W, F 10-4, Sat 10-1

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

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There will be an Executive Committee meeting (for Officers and Precinct Chairs **only**) on Thursday, December 10 at 8 PM.

This will be a virtual Zoom meeting.

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Help us support our Orange County neighbors who have had a difficult year. Please bring an unwrapped toy for Toys for Tots, or canned goods to donate to the food bank. Thank you!



OCGOP Annual Christmas Party
Fri, Dec 11, 6-9pm
Sunrise Church

RSVP at:

orange.nc.gop/christmas_party

See you there!

Chair's Corner

To all the Orange County conservative volunteers who helped support and make a difference in keeping North Carolina a "red" state, thank you! We spent five months leading up to the November 3, 2020 election by phone banking with Red Dialer, canvassing Orange County (door knocking) with campaign literature, and writing people requesting their support for Republican candidates. We also conducted voter registration drives that paid off. These combined efforts helped in the statewide key wins for the Lt Governorship, US Senate, and our Judicial races. Overall the results were great for North Carolina. We had some excellent candidates who did not get elected this election cycle, but the next elections are coming up in 2021-2022 including a must-win Senator race for retiring Senator Burr (2022). Mark Meadows and several others would be excellent candidates.

President Trump continues to make a path forward regardless of the media calling the election for Biden. We have sent a strong request to the North Carolina legislative leadership to "demand a forensic audit" for transparency. It is a Constitutional right to have an audit in key battleground states to build confidence and trust in the integrity of the election process. North Carolina recounts were completed on November 24.

We have a biased media, not seekers of truth and fairness, otherwise why wouldn't the media be supporting a full investigation of any and all election irregularities?

The Georgia Senate race will determine who will control the US Senate. The run-off election is scheduled for January 5, 2021. This is a MUST WIN. The Georgia GOP candidates need financial help. Please be generous and help contribute to their campaign if you are able. Here are their sites:

Senator David Perdue: <https://perduesenate.com/>

Senator Kelly Loeffler: <https://kellyforsenate.com>

Attorney Sidney Powell (lawyer for LTG Flynn) is also investigating Georgia's election results.

Orange County GOP will hold its Republican Convention on Saturday, March 20, 2021 at Sunrise Church in Chapel Hill. We will elect officers (Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer, Precinct Chairs and delegates to the District and State Conventions.) An OCGOP Slate Committee is being formed...more to follow.

Would you like to be on the OCGOP Executive Committee? Are you interested in becoming involved as a candidate? We need election workers or conservatives who just want to help out. We are all volunteers and the Republican Party needs your support. Please contact chairmanocncgop@centurylink.net if interested.

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

OC BOCC Update by Riley Ruske

Since the September 25 newsletter, the Board of County Commissioners has conducted five regular business meetings and two work sessions. These generally dealt with the routine business of the county government spending, taxing, and expanding itself and its involvement in citizens' lives. The following are just a sampling of the activities. If you want to see a change in Orange County government behavior, you must participate! Attend the meetings and send comments to your commissioners.

Applications for grants and internal fund transfers to increase housing assistance programs were a frequent topic. In the October 8 work meeting, there was discussion of pushing the ABC board to increase its funding to Orange County for the Drug Treatment Court program. During the October 20 meeting, the board approved item 4c which is a resolution supporting repeal of the Hyde amendment. The Hyde amendment prohibits taxpayer money from being used to fund abortions and the board wants taxpayers to be required to fund abortions.

The November 5 meeting resulted in approval of the property reappraisal program so get ready for tax increases in 2021. Remember, Orange County already has the highest property and sales taxes in the state of North Carolina. Additionally, Chair Rich requested that a resolution supporting reparations be prepared for a vote in a December meeting. To cap it all off, in the November 17 meeting, the board accepted the 2020 – 2025 capital plan which entails \$194.4 million in capital spending and \$39.9 million of debt financing. Hang on to your wallets!!

Conservative Women's Shooting Club ~ Coming Soon!

The Orange County Republican Party is starting a Conservative Women's Shooting Club in the first quarter of 2021.

This will be a great opportunity to learn more about shooting, get practice at a range to live fire, and become proficient at handling a weapon. Safety is #1 and will be stressed along with selection of the right pistol for you and how to maintain and store a gun. You can progress up to a concealed carry license if interested.

Catherine Gutman and Rachel Mitchel (Instructor) will co-chair this new club with like-minded members. If you have never held or shot a gun, now you can! Call the OCGOP office if you want to be added to the club list.

Orange County Election Results

This year's election resulted in record numbers for our state: 7.37 million registered voters cast 5.55 million ballots, resulting in a turnout rate of 75.35%. In Orange County, 111,869 registered voters cast 85,281 votes, for a turnout rate of 76.23%, slightly above the state turnout. For more election statistics, please visit our website and choose "Election News & Updates" from the News tab's dropdown menu.

Million MAGA March in Washington, D.C. by Kathy Arab

Trump supporters filled Freedom Plaza and the surrounding streets from there to the Supreme Court. Trucks, cars, and pedestrians from practically every state were flying Trump flags. The police estimated one million in our nation's Capital for this exhilarating rally. Early that morning, we peaceful patriots had stepped into a quiet city intent on sending one clear message to Our President: "You've had our backs for four challenging years. Now, we've got your back!" A few earlier birds received an up close personal connection when President Trump's motorcade passed by. My travel group could hear their cheers from several blocks away as we made our trek towards downtown!

America's beautiful diversity of ethnicity, religion, age, and orientation represented itself with a spirit of love, grace, and appreciation. As the incoming crowds gathered together, we celebrated our unity singing "God Bless the USA"...The formalities began with everyone standing tall to sing our National Anthem and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. A statue of Benjamin Franklin appropriately positioned in front of Trump International Hotel reminded me of his famous words that we are "a Republic, if [we] can keep it!" George Washington's monument inspired me to continue doing my best to preserve what our Founders established. Visit the News tab of our website to read more!

Will you join me at DC Rally #2 on December 12? If anyone wants to attend the second Million MAGA March on December 12th, contact Sue Butcher at one_in_spirit@yahoo.com for information.

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