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★★★ UPCOMING EVENTS ★★★

Campaign Kick-off and OLD FASHIONED POLITICAL RALLY

TARGET (The Association of Republicans Getting Everyone Together) will sponsor a Campaign Kick-off on Thursday, September 14, 2006, at the home of Larry and Rosalee Wilson, 27143 Prairie Road, Sedalia, Missouri, starting at 6:30 p.m. To get to the Wilson Farm, travel West on 16th Street from Sedalia, then South on Prairie Road. Tickets are $7.50 each, $5.00 seniors, and children 5 and younger are free. A complimentary ticket for this event is provided free for your 2007 TARGET membership renewal (good through September 1, 2007). You may send your renewal to TARGET, 202 West Fourth Street, Sedalia, Missouri 65301. If you have any questions or need tickets, please contact Max Coble at 826-0563.

All Candidate FUND RAISER

Matt and Jennifer Boatright will sponsor a Whole Hog Fund Raiser at their home, located at 29612 Pony Path Road, Sedalia, Missouri, on Saturday, September 30, 2006, at 4:30 p.m. Admission will be made through donations to any of our Republican Candidates. All proceeds will be given to the candidates. To obtain tickets, please contact the candidates directly. Their addresses and telephone numbers are as follows:

State Representative-118th Dist-STANLEY COX, ***1700 Hickory Lane, Sedalia, MO 65301, 827-1597,*** **www.stancox.net**

Clerk of the Circuit Court - SUSAN SADLER, ***1755 Cypress Lane, Sedalia, MO 65301, 826-1289,*** **www.susansadler.org.**

Collector of Revenue - RON YATES, ***303 East 2nd St, Sedalia, MO, 829-3585, ronyates9@hotmail.com;***

Presiding Commissioner - RUSTY KAHRS, ***28576 Blue Bird Hollow Rd, Hughesville, MO 65334, 826-8059,*** **www.RustyKahrs.org;**

Assessor- DEAN DOHRMAN, PO Box 234, LaMonte, MO 65337, www.deandohrman.org .

County Clerk- VINCENT PHANG, 1508 S. Moniteau, Sedalia, MO 65301, cphang@charter.net .

Associate Circuit Judge Div 5- PAUL BEARD, 316 South Ohio, Suite B, Sedalia, MO, www.judgepaulbeard.org .

VICTORY PARTY

The Pettis County Republican Committee and all Republican Candidates are co-sponsoring a "Victory Celebration" in the Banquet Hall of the Bothwell Hotel on Election Eve, Tuesday, November 7, 2006, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Donations of food are encouraged. Please plan to come and join your friends as we watch the election returns.

72-HOUR TASK FORCE PROGRAM

The County Committee has adopted the "72-Hour Task Force" program created by the Republican National Committee. The "Team Leaders" described in the volunteer sign up card are persons who are willing to help identify favorable Republican voters, so that we can contact them the 72-hours prior to the election to assure that they vote on November 7, 2006. Please complete this Volunteer Sign Up Card and return it to Carla Young, Pettis County Republican Chairman, at 809 West Broadway, Sedalia, or call Carla by telephone at 826-0860.

If you have additional questions about the 72-hour Task Force, please contact Task Force Chairman, Sean Pilliard, at 829-2008.

Associate Circuit Judge Div 5 - R. PAUL BEARD, ***316 Sou***

COMMENTARY - "LET'S MAKE SURE MISSOURI GETS IT"

by Dean Dohrman

During my rather lengthy college career, I studied world history extensively before switching to international relations and its subfield of international political economy. Using Pettis County as a case study, I spent years studying the intertwined economic system of our globe. What I discovered is that what comes around goes around: we supported other countries devastated by World War II, and when we faced financial difficulties during the 1970s, foreign investors were, in turn, willing to place their bets with us. As a result, some very important manufacturers in our county were saved and remain to this day. My point is, we are a part of the international community (economic and otherwise), and we would be foolish to ignore this fact. International events affect our daily lives. In other words, along the way, I got it. However, from what I hear on the other side of the aisle, they don't get it.

We have some prolific essayists in our county who continually criticize our president. Perhaps he deserves some of this criticism, but it should be in a rational, reasoned manner, not just bitter dissatisfaction.

I can't change their minds, nor will I try; however, I can attempt to offer a clearer picture of the current conflict and what it means to us. First I will discredit some myths floating in the media and then explain what we in Pettis County can do to ensure our future security and way of life.

First, there are groups, fanatical groups, opposed to the existence of Israel and its supporters, i.e., you and me. This comes from the time of the inception of the state of Israel. Shortly after World War II when Palestinian Jews declared themselves the state of Israel, President Harry Truman recognized the new entity. This gave Israel a boost of legitimacy in the international community. Fanatical Muslims believe Israel is an invasion of infidels into their land, and through Truman's action, we supported this abomination.

This brings us to our second point, it's not about Iraq! it's about containing a cultural war. The talk of politics I hear on the national talk shows is misguided. Our enemy does not want to negotiate: they want the infidels (us) dead. The liberals accuse people like me of being married to a model, but what are they? They believe that everyone is committed to the survival of their particular nation-state, but this is not the case. Radical Islam doesn't believe in the nation-state, they believe in a universal theocracy. In their New World Order, the religious clerics would decide right, wrong, and all policy, the rest of us can follow along or suffer persecution.

I highly recommend that you read (or re-read) Samuel Huntington's book, **The Clash of Civilizations.** *Huntington got it back in the early 1990s. He warned what would come to pass, but the liberals, convinced the world is full of rational atheists, can't comprehend the extent of the struggle. Religion is one of the most defining elements of culture: those who oppose our way of life will fight and die to pursue their vision of the world. They follow no rules of war; they use every means, no matter how barbaric, to pursue their goal of eliminating the infidel (remember, that is us). In their minds, they are right and we are evil. The evil must be eliminated.*

Third, the liberals would have you believe that Iraq is in a civil war, if we would leave them alone, things would improve. Nothing could be further from the truth. We have something to very near and dear to lose: security and our way of life.

How often do you fear being killed by a suicide bomber? It happened here on September 11, 2001. Think it can't happen again? Think again. The recent developments in Britain prove that the threat is anything but gone. If we sleep, if we cotton to those who don't understand the difference of rights during peace time and rights during time of war, if we believe that the problem is only a problem of the Middle East, we will learn differently. Unfortunately, this lesson will be written in blood. And what if Iran gets the bomb?!? No one on the planet will be immune from attack. This is not scare talk: it is a real possibility.

I did a short interview with National Public Radio during the Fair. Most of the opinions in this essay, I related to them. I don't think the reporter really understood when I said, "I'd rather fight them over there than fight them over here." I trust you will and will vote and give your support accordingly.

What can we do here in Pettis County? We can actively back our incumbent Senator Jim Talent. He understands the threat we face today and provides the type of leadership we need to preserve our security and way of life. He will face competition in certain areas of Missouri, but we can help to counter this attempt to bury heads in the sand and hope everything goes well. It won't, the enemy will make certain of that. This is not just another election: it is an election that will determine the future of our national security, or insecurity if we get it wrong. Let's stay together and make certain that Missouri gets it right: it's our future, it's our kids future.

PETTIS COUNTY REPUBLICAN VOLUNTEER CARD

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Telephone _____ **(H)** _____ **(W)**

Email _____ **Fax** _____

My job preference is (check all that apply):

____ Be a Team Leader **____ Spread the word to friends**
____ Work at Headquarters **____ Go door to door**
____ Work on Election Day **____ Literature distribution**
____ Telephoning **____ Sign Posting**
____ General Office work
____ Other _____

Please return card to: *Pettis County GOP, Carla Young, Chairman, 809 West Broadway, Sedalia, Missouri 65301*