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President's Report

From the pen of 'Nita Brown

I am writing this the day after the election. I know that we did not have the outcome that we hoped for. But this year, we had so many very qualified candidates. We had more races with a Democrat running instead of a blank on the ballot with no Democratic candidate. I am very proud of this. I am very proud of our candidates who chose to run for an office and worked so hard to win. I am very proud of the solid, hard working leadership of our Democratic Party of Arkansas who turned this party into one that we can believe in and support.

Our club volunteers registered many voters. They wrote about 2000 postcards, and stuffed 1000 envelopes for Jesse Gibson. They made phone calls and sent about 600 texts. Our volunteers worked many shifts for 6 months at our campaign office. We hosted

3 events, and had booths at 7 events where we were able to create awareness about our club. And we are building our base with new members. I cannot think of one more thing our board and volunteers could have done to influence this race, and I am very proud to say that.

I don't know what 2023 will bring, but I hope you will join me in being committed to doing what we need to do.

I am going to close with a quote from the late Representative John Lewis: Do not get lost in a sea of despair. Be hopeful, be optimistic. Our struggle is not the struggle of a day, a week, a month, or a year, it is the struggle of a lifetime. Never, ever be afraid to make some noise and get in good trouble, necessary trouble.

Yours truly,

Nita Brown

President, Democratic Club of Hot Springs Village

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Brats, Bavarian sauerkraut, beer, potato salad, homemade dessert, polka music.... A GOOD TIME HAD BY ALL!

The Democratic Club HSV had a well-attended Quarterly meeting on October 28th. The keynote speaker was Dustin Parsons from the Arkansas Democratic Party. Dustin is an excellent speaker and always provides a wealth of information. Jesse Gibson and his manager were unexpected visitors. They sat down with our attendees while enjoying the feast, handed out campaign stickers and answered lots of questions while enjoying general conversation.

Donna Winchell, Becky and Mike Babineaux staffed the Campaign Tables which were loaded with Candidate signs, Amendment Information, Poling locations, and much more. The energy at the event was very joyful – A good way to end the year and converse with like-minded friends. There were several new attendees and new members. Many of the club's members had volunteered their time and talent supporting candidates. It was wonderful to see and feel the optimism.

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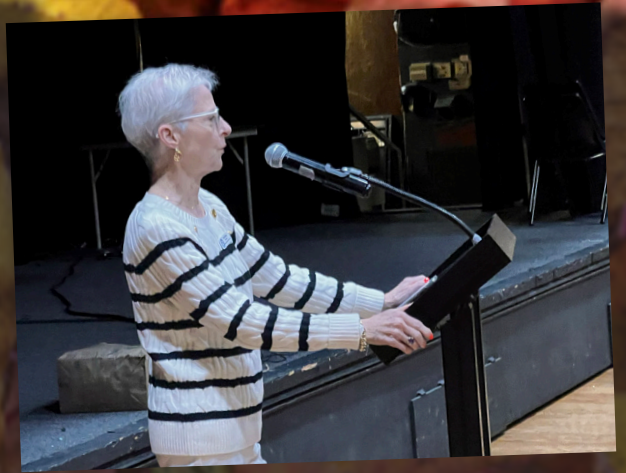
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The poster features a blue and white checkered banner at the top, a large orange maple leaf, a glass of beer, and wheat stalks. The Democratic Club logo is circular with a red and white design.













Nita,

Although our campaign didn't get the outcome it was hoping for, the fight goes on.

But first, let me give my thanks.

I want to thank my beautiful wife, Mandy, and our two wonderful boys. My family (and Hershey) have given me their unconditional support since day one, and I couldn't have done it without them.

I want to thank my team. Their hard work and dedication is unmatched, and I am so grateful.

Finally, I want to thank each and everyone of you for standing by my side. I've had the opportunity to meet some really amazing people, and I'm so very thankful for the opportunity to get to know you all.

And while the numbers didn't go our way, Arkansans will always be in my heart, and I'll always fight for the little guy. With an incredible amount of gratitude,

Jesse Gibson

Hi 'Nita,

The election results are in, and I didn't win - but people in Arkansas *actually* had a choice on the ballot, and that matters.

I knew what I was getting myself into when I started this campaign, and we did what we could do every single day - and I'm so proud of all of our efforts. (Thank you to my family for being incredibly supportive all along the way.)

While voter turnout wasn't great, our movement to inspire voters to use their voices is only just getting started.

We inspired so many first-time voters to cast their ballots, saw some great wins at the local level, and ALL of those ballot measures failed!

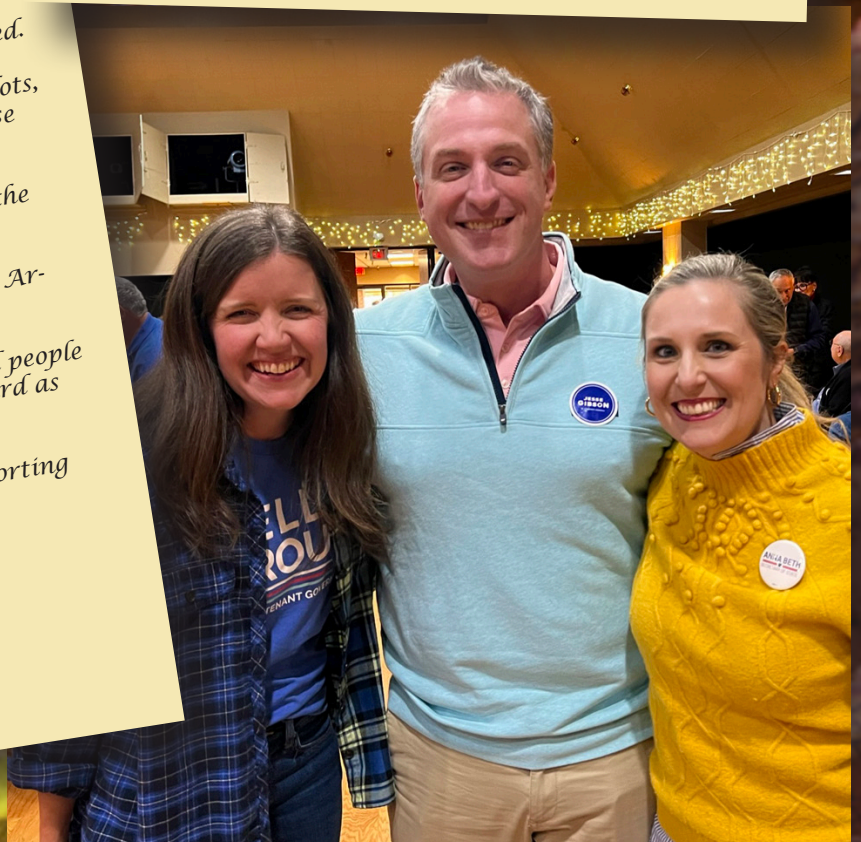
This year, Arkansans got to vote for something - for the world we want to live in - not against someone.

I want you to know that I still have a lot of hope for Arkansas, and I believe that change is possible. There's a lot of hard work ahead of us, and we need people like you to keep fighting for working families as hard as we do our own.

From the bottom of my heart, thank you for supporting me while I tried something new.

I'll let you know what's next. More soon,

Kelly Krout





Democratic Headquarters Report

by Susan Cockrell

The excellent location for this year's headquarters, had lots of people stopping by. Some were members and others were curious and amazed that the actually was a busy and thriving Democratic Club in Hot Springs Village. For those who didn't stop by, our sign was easily seen as a reminder. Renting that space was a budgetary leap of faith that enabled us to hold several events there, for the club and for candidates and we thank each and every one of you for your generosity. Your donations along with the silent auction helped us raise over \$5,500 and sign up 21 new members! We had voting and candidate information and distributed about 77 yard signs along with lots of buttons & stickers.

Thank you all for your donations and membership renewals that paid our rent and a special thanks to all our volunteers who staffed the office and those who decorated and made it a lovely place to go. It was a great success and a lot of fun!

Just for future election years, we ask that you be on the lookout for future locations. Thank you again, and see you at our Quarterly meeting in January!



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Opportunity knocks?

written by Michael Dryhurst - revised 10/06/22

I know it's stating the obvious, but the world is in a mess.

More-and-more countries are leaning to the right. Hungary, and now Italy. I only hope that Italy's first lady Prime Minister, a Fascisti, doesn't end-up the same way as did a fascist predecessor, one Benito Mussolini...

But at 84-years young, I have a theory as to why most of the world is in a mess. It is due to 'Opportunistic Politicians'. In my young day, politicians sought office by promoting idealism or fired by altruism, or principles of conscience whether of the political left or right, but when I look around today, I fear most individuals seeking political office of one-sort-or-another, are prompted solely by self-advancement, self-aggrandizement, and...self-enrichment. Of the financial kind.

A classic example of this is the new Prime Minister of the U.K. She has succeeded the buffoon Boris Johnson, being elected not by the British voter but by the card-carrying members of the Conservative Party, known colloquially as the Tory Party.

Ms. Liz Truss commenced her political career as a member of the Liberal and Democratic Party, the centrist arm of British politics. When was announced a referendum on whether the U.K. should leave, or remain in, the 24-nation European Union, Ms. Truss was a vociferous campaigner for remaining in the European political and economic alliance. And in the opinion of your Anglo-American writer, only a myopic birdbrain would want to leave the E.U., but the 'Leavers' won the day, sadly, and disastrously... But back to Ms. Truss.

She attended Oxford University, where she was the President of the Oxford University Liberal Democrats. In 1996 she resigned from the Lib Dems and joined the Conservative Party. She worked professionally at leading U.K. companies such as Cable & Wireless and Shell Oil, and was Deputy Director of the think-tank 'Reform'. After two unsuccessful attempts to be elected a Member of Parliament, she made it finally in 2010, being elected to the House of Commons in a general election. At this time she was a strong supporter of the 'Britain Stronger in Europe' campaign, the movement supporting the U.K. remaining in the E.U.

But. After was announced the result of the 2016 referendum, suddenly she became an ardent Brexiteer. Opportunistic? In the Theresa May administration, that lady P.M. appointed Truss as Secretary for State for Justice and, Lord Chancellor, whereby Truss became the first lady Lord Chancellor in the 1000-years history of that office. Boris Johnson was a back-bench Tory M.P. who became subsequently the first elected Mayor of London, resigning his Parliamentary seat but such were the tone of his

public speeches that it was obvious he had designs on the Premiership. With Theresa May as P.M., Johnson became her chief adversary and the most visible promoter/supporter of Brexit. Liz Truss threw in her lot with Boris the Buffoon and both were instrumental in toppling Ms. May and the Buffoon became the Prime Minister. For her support of him, Ms. Truss was rewarded with the prestigious position of Secretary of State for International Trade and President of the Board of Trade. Around this time was revealed that she had had an extra-marital affair from 2004 to mid-2005 with a fellow Tory M.P., when both were married. She survived the scandal.

The U.K. left the E.U. formally on the 31st January 2022, thereby shutting-off the country of a market of 500-million people, closing immigration from the E.U. and having its exports to the E.U. delayed by the new customs requirements and tariffs imposed on British goods entering the E.U. Liz Truss was Britain's (which word she can't even pronounce properly,

naming her country as "Brit-ten") chief negotiator on the E.U. - U.K. Partnership Council, akin to putting the fox among the chickens. From being a supporter of Johnson, she turned her back on him, became one of the five contenders to replace him, becoming Prime Minister herself last month, September 2022.

Four weeks into her premiership, this visionless political opportunist had managed to plunge the U.K. into a financial crisis, with the Pound Sterling trading its lowest ever at £1.00. equalling \$1.04.

From my perspective, it would seem that politicians never consult, nor take heed of...history. In 1981, Liz Truss was but five years-old. He was an indifferent actor, an unremarkable state Governor and a joke

President, but when took office the perpetually-grinning Ronald Reagan, his monetary policy was proclaimed 'Trickle-Down Economics'. A Pollyanna policy if ever there was one, insomuch as it trickled-down only to those who were wealthy already, not even seeping through to the Middle-and Blue Collar-classes. Eh, remember the Savings and Loan crash? So much for trickling down...

But 41-years later, Ms. Truss embraces 'Trickle-Down Economics', which history has shown the world and his wife, simply DON'T WORK!

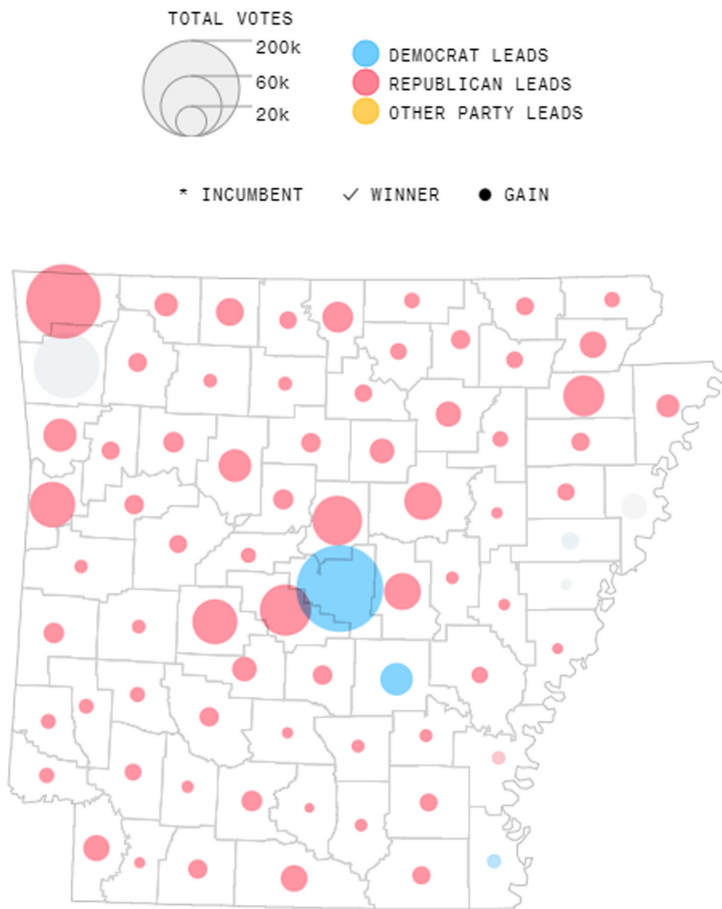
So much for political opportunists of which come to mind rapidly Republican Senators Ted Cruz, Marco Rubeo and Ron Johnson. And we all know there are plenty of others out there and waiting-in-the-wings?

A pox on all their houses!



THINK BLUE

written by Becky Babineaux



The election results in Arkansas were not what we had hoped for, but you can pat yourself on the back anyway because we did everything we could do for our candidates. We didn't turn Arkansas blue, but we made a good start.

We can all be proud of our efforts during this campaign season. We wrote more than 1,000 postcards, sent texts, registered voters, made calls, kept an open Campaign Headquarters and more and it made a difference. HSV volunteers showed up during this election season, willing to do what it takes to get out the vote.

Total early voters increased in Saline and Garland counties compared with early voting in the 2018 primary. Saline early voters topped the last mid-term election, with 25,461 early voters, up from 24,157 in 2018. Total vote count in Saline County in the 2022 election was 77,179. Garland county early voters were at 124 percent of the 2018 mid-term early vote count. Total election vote count in Garland County was 64,002.

Of Arkansas' 1.8 million registered voters, only around 900,000 showed up to vote, a historic problem in Arkansas, which ranks last in voter turnout and registration, according to a federal

report on the 2020 presidential election. In 2020, Arkansas also had the highest rejection rate of absentee ballots of all 50 states.

Nationwide, Democrats did better than expected, holding on to the Senate with a narrow margin. Many believe a stronger and more cohesive message from the national party could've made it even better. Our focus in Hot Springs Village in the upcoming year will be on keeping our members and HSV voters informed on issues.

We hope to have more informative sessions like the deep dive Gary Clingman did about the amendments on the ballot. We plan to keep a close watch on legislation and what's going on in Little Rock, encouraging letters to elected officials, letters to the editors of area papers and more.

The Dem Club will stay informed and keep you informed – we don't have to like our Trump-inspired leadership in Little Rock but we can do our part to hold their feet to the fire. For our state, it was not so much a "red wave" as it was business as usual. But that doesn't mean we give up. We won't turn Arkansas blue overnight, but we can chip away at the red in our little piece of the state.

Outside Arkansas, the Democratic Party made some remarkable showings, even in light of the steady barrage of attacks from the right about the economy and crime. If we continue to build on those wins, we can help turn thinking away from the MAGA-inspired rhetoric.

Stay calm and think Blue!!!

Track results at www.bloomberg.com/graphics/2022-us-election-results/arkansas/

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Source: Results data from the Associated Press; Race competitiveness ratings from the Cook Political Report; Congressional map files from the Redistricting Data Hub.

Note: Total seats won include races where the winning party is certain, such as a race between two candidates of the same party.

Estimated vote count percentages are based on Estimated Expected Vote Percentage (EEVP) as provided by the Associated Press. Historical vote percentages are calculated from an implied estimate of total votes based on the current EEVP value.

Remarks by President Biden and Vice President Harris at a Democratic National Committee Event

NOVEMBER 10, 2022 - Howard Theatre, Washington, D.C.



THE VICE PRESIDENT: Good afternoon. (Applause.)

AUDIENCE: Kamala! Kamala! Kamala!

THE VICE PRESIDENT: Thank you all. Thank you. Good afternoon. You know. (Laughs.)

AUDIENCE: You know! (Applause.)

THE VICE PRESIDENT: Well, this is why we're here today, because of this energy, this commitment, this passion, this love of our country and our willingness to fight for it. Good afternoon, everyone. Good afternoon. (Applause.)

The people in this room worked so hard in this election staffing the polls, answering people's calls, answering voter protection calls — (applause) — driving people to the vote.

And among the captains of the team, my husband, the Second Gentleman, Doug Emhoff — (applause) — our phenomenal First Lady, Dr. Jill Biden — (applause) —

AUDIENCE MEMBER: We love Jill! (Applause.)

THE VICE PRESIDENT: — and our one and only President Joe Biden. (Applause.)

AUDIENCE MEMBER: You did it, Joe! You did it!

THE VICE PRESIDENT: (Laugh.) You did it, Joe. (Laughter and applause.) Couldn't help myself.

So, as we gather here, votes are still being counted, but it is clear your work sent a message to the entire world: Our democracy is intact. (Applause.)

And when democracy is intact, this is what it looks like. And here's the thing: Some Democrats won and some Republicans won. That is what happens when more than 100 million Americans participate and vote in free and fair and open elections. (Applause.) That's what happens.

And that included young people, seniors, parents with children in tow, working people who all made their voices heard. And the people in this room and around our country made that possible by standing up for basic American values: freedom, liberty, and the rule of law. And I believe when you know what you stand for, you know what to fight for. (Applause.)

This year, like so many of you, I traveled across our country. We convened students and faith leaders, organizing and advocating to protect the sacred right to vote. We convened candidates and elected officials defending the right to retire with dignity by defending Social Security and Medicare.

And, of course, everywhere I went, we brought together people fighting for reproductive freedom — (applause) — people everywhere, from every background. Because here's the thing: One does not have to abandon their faith or deeply held beliefs to agree the government should not be telling a woman what to do with her body. (Applause.)

Voters across our country knew what they stood for, so they knew what to fight for. They predicted [sic] and they protected and they protected reproductive rights in Vermont, in Michigan, in California, and in Kentucky. (Applause.)

So to everyone who made that possible, thank you. Thank you for working the long hours — (applause) — and the late nights for protecting voting rights on behalf of every American in every community, in every political party.

And to the millions of Americans who waited in line, who mailed in your ballot, who rejected big lies and extremism, and participated in our democracy: Thank you. (Applause.) You knew what you stood for, so you knew what to fight for.

You fought for rights and freedoms that will make our country more fair, more safe, and stronger. And you were not fighting alone.

From day one, our President — (applause) — has fought on behalf of all Americans and our democracy. Joe Biden understands the dual nature of democracy — its fragility and its strength. He's been talking about it since day one: the strengths of democracy that lie in principles about treating people equally and electing people fairly, to lift up instead of to beat folks down.

And this President understands democracy is only as strong as our willingness to fight for it. (Applause.) And no one fights harder for our democracy than the people in this room and this President. (Applause.)

He knows what we saw again this week: When we fight, we win. (Applause.)

My fellow Americans, it is my great honor to introduce the President of the United States, Joe Biden. (Applause.)

AUDIENCE: Let's go, Joe! Let's go, Joe! Let's go, Joe!

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you, thank you, thank you. (Applause.)

Kamala and Doug — by the way, Doug crisscrossed the country. I think he did — he spent more time making sure that the folks who actually count the votes in these states do it honestly. And thank you, pal. (Applause.)

AUDIENCE MEMBER: We love you, Doug!

AUDIENCE: Joe! Joe! Joe! Joe!

THE PRESIDENT: And, folks, on behalf of Jill and myself, we're here for a simple reason: to say thank you from the bottom my heart. Not a joke. We mean it. This is not a political piece. This is to say thank you, thank you, thank you. Most of all, thank you for believing in your country. Thank you — no, I really mean it. Thank you for fighting like the devil to make sure that we had a free and a fair election.

And, you know, all those election deniers, so far, best of my knowledge, none of them has not said they — when they lost, they said, "We lost." That's a big deal. No, I really mean it.

You know, Tuesday was a good day for America, a good day for democracy. And it was a strong night for Democrats. (Applause.)

For months and months, all of you heard from the press and the pundits was that "Democrats are facing a disaster." Remember that? And all those polls — all those polls, God love them — (laughter) — you know, "Historic losses are on the way. A giant red wave."

AUDIENCE: Booo —

THE PRESIDENT: Folks, that didn't happen. You know, we were talking backstage here before we came out, each of us crisscrossing the country, all four of us. And we were saying we'd come back and say, "I don't know what they're talking about." (Laughter.) No, no, no, I'm serious. The overwhelming response we were getting, and the fact that even those folks who may not like me or may not like somebody, but they agree with our agenda, they thought what we were doing — (applause) —

And, by the way, all the Democrats ran on the same agenda without being told. Look, while votes are being counted — we don't know the outcome of all the races — here's what we do know: We lost fewer seats in the House of Representatives than any Democratic President's first elected midterm — (applause) — in at least 40 years. We had the best midterms for governors since 1986. (Applause.) And experts said we couldn't beat the odds, but we did beat the odds. (Applause.)

And we did it for one reason — this is not hyperbole — because of you and all of you up in the balc- — by the — it's hard to see you up in the balcony, but God love you. (Applause.) I really mean it. Because of you. You believed in the system. You believed in the institutions. You fought like hell for it. And that's the most important thing that happened, in my view, in this election. It was the first national election since January 6th, and there were a lot of concerns about whether democracy would meet the test. It did. It did. It did. (Applause.)

And I want to compliment all those mainstream Republicans. I mean it. They get in — they fought like we usually fight, and they — we got a result, and we accepted it. Everybody accepted.

So, for many of you, you organized, you got the vote out, you volunteered at the polls. Think of all we heard before this election about all the people being intimidated, all the people being threatened

at the polls, all the people who worked the polls. Despite the threats and abuses of too many poll workers on Election Day and election — excuse me, should say election officials — experienced — experienced of late, you did your job. You fulfilled your duty. You showed up. You did what you're supposed to do. And so did the American people. (Applause.)

Look, the American people overwhelmingly — overwhelmingly support our agenda: lowering prescription drug costs, making healthcare more affordable, rebuilding America, revitalizing American manufacturing, taking on the climate crisis, and finally — and finally making big corporations pay their fair share. (Applause.) Preserving democracy and protecting fundamental rights.

This is — this is the progress and the programs that we ran on. And this is the vote that showed just some real enthusiasm for what we're — what we're fighting for. And guess what? It matters.

You know, when we came to office, we inherited a nation and a pandemic raging and an economy that was reeling, but we went to work — all of you.

And, by the way, I know a lot of you just didn't show up on Election Day. You've been working the last 25 — 20 or so months' worth. But you went to work building an economy from the bottom up and the middle out. And so, you know, the MAGA Republican trickle-down economic policy we decided didn't work for Americans.

Our economic policies created 10 million new jobs. (Applause.)

Unemployment — unemployment went from 6.4 percent down to 3.7 percent, one of the lowest in 50 years. (Applause.)

American manufacturing is surging with 700 new manufacturing jobs created and many more to come. (Applause.)

And, look, as I said all during the campaign, "Where the hell is written that America can't lead the world in manufacturing?" We are, and we will, and we're going to continue to. (Applause.)

Folks, look, just today we learned that inflation came down last month. And mainstream economists are saying this is a really positive sign of the resilience of the economic recovery. It's going to take time to get inflation back to normal levels. We could see setbacks along the way, I realize that. But we are laser-focused on it. That's why it's so critical for us to pass important legislation this year to lower those costs for families. And I know it's going to take time to implement our entire economic agenda, which we already passed, and for folks to feel it in their day-to-day lives.

But I think folks are going to see it in the next few months. That's what's going to — and I think that's what they voted for.

Watch what happens when people see new roads, bridges being built in their towns; they start to see the investments being made in electric rail all across America, where they they're going to — (applause) — it's going to take significant number of vehicles off the road, reducing pollution.

Watch what happens when there's affordable high-speed Internet in every home in America. (Applause.)

Watch what happens when they realized we meant what we said and the lead pipes start being pulled out of schools, daycare centers, homes all across America.

Watch what happens in January when seniors with diabetes on Medicare only have to pay 35 bucks a month instead of 400 bucks a

month for their insulin. (Applause.)

Watch what happens when big corporations in America start to pay their fair share. And, by the way, a 15 percent tax. Isn't that terrible? (Laughter.) You all pay more than that.

AUDIENCE: Yeah!

THE PRESIDENT: Look — but in 2020, the 55 largest corpor- — of the 55 — 55 of the largest corporations in America paid zero on \$40 million in profits. Those days are over. (Applause.)

And watch what happens when new factories are being built in communities with American workers making the most advanced computer chips in the world.

And, by the way, that's going to create thousands of good-paying jobs. And I mean jobs between \$120-, \$135,000 a year, and you don't need a college degree to do them. (Applause.)

Look, you all made this possible, and we're just getting started. We're just getting started. (Applause.)

We saw extraordinary results in these midterms elections that no one thought possible. More independents voted for Democrats and Republicans in this election. Young people, you voted at historic numbers again, just as you did two years ago. Young people voted to continue addressing the climate crisis, gun violence, personal rights and freedoms, student debt relief, all those things which you stepped up to do. (Applause.)

And as I said, women in America made their voices heard, man. (Applause.) I said it last year that one of the most extraordinary things about the Dobbs decision is what was about to challenge American women when the Justice said, let's — "They have it in their power..." Basically saying, "Let's see what they're going to do."

Well, guess what? (Laughter.) Y'all showed up and beat the hell out of them. (Applause.)

Look, I said it then: Those who support ripping away the rights to choose don't have a clue about the power of women in America, but now I think they do. And we're — and, by the way, no one worked harder to get that message across America than this lady right here. (Applause.)

And, look, I also think the American people sent a message that they want us to work together. They've — I've always done that, and I know I got criticized for it when I ran. I said I was running for three reasons: One, to restore the soul of America. Two, to build this economy from the middle out and the bottom up. And thirdly, to unite the country.

Regardless of what the final tally showed, I'm prepared to work with Republicans. But the American people made it clear: They expect Republicans to work with me as well. (Applause.)

And, folks, I'll always be open to any good ideas, whether it's Democrat or Republican, to move the country forward. But I've also made it really clear that if Republicans try to repeal the power we just gave Medicare to reduce prescription drug costs, I will veto it and not let happen. (Applause.)

If Republicans try to walk away from the historic commitment we just made to deal with a climate crisis, I will not let that happen. (Applause.)

If Republicans try to cut Social Security and Medicare, I will not let that happen. (Applause.) And if they try to cut taxes for the super wealthy again and the biggest corporations, like they did the last administration, I will not let that happen either. (Applause.)

Look — and as we look at tax cuts, we should be looking at tax cuts for working people and middle-class people. (Applause.) And I'm going to keep the commitment we both made: that no one making less than 400 grand a year will ever see a penny in their taxes go up as long as we are in power. (Applause.)

And, folks — and I love the Republicans talking about "big-spendin' Democrats." We're going to keep working to keep the federal deficit low. We cut the deficit in two years by 1 trillion 700 billion dollars — more than ever in all of American history. (Applause.)

I don't want to hear it from Republicans, calling Democrats big spenders. They're the — we're the ones bringing down the deficit. They're the ones that blew it up over four years. (Applause.)

And one more thing: If Republicans pass — and I got — don't think they can do it now — a ban — a national ban to ban abortion, I will veto it. It's simple. (Applause.)

We need to codify Roe v. Wade as the law of the land. (Applause.)

And, look, let me close with this. You've all heard me say it before, and I'll say it again: I honest to God have never been more optimistic about America's future than today. And I'm optimistic for a number of reasons.

We're better situated than any nation in the world — any nation in the world — to lead the world. We're better positioned than any nation in the world, in terms of our economic growth and possibilities. And I'm — I'm optimistic because of the young people of this nation.

I've — you've heard me say time and again, and I meant it: Your generation represents the best educated, the most talented, the least prejudiced generation in the history of the United States of America. For — (applause) — I'm not — and, by the way, I wasn't trying to be nice, I was just stating the facts. Just stating the facts.

In two-two- — in 2020, many of you voted for your first time, and you volunteered in your first election. (Applause.) Well, look at what you did when you exercised your power to vote: You elected Kamala Harris the first woman Vice President in American history. (Applause.) And you helped me keep my commitment that I would appoint the first Black woman to the Supreme Court, Justice Jackson. (Applause.) And guess what? She's probably the smartest person on the Supreme Court. (Applause.)

And because of your vote this year, we're going to keep building the foundation we laid for the fir- — in the first two years.

You proved once again, on Tuesday, that our democracy — in our democ- — our democracy, the power is in the hands of the people. We the — no, for real — "We the People." It really is truly in our hands.

We set the course for the nation's future. We just have to remember who in God's name we are. And I'm — I hope, if nothing else happens, remember this: There's not a damn thing — I really mean it from the bottom of my heart — not a damn thing we can't do if we do it together.

We are the United States of America. And you made it better. (Applause.)

Thank you, thank you, thank you. God bless you all, and may God protect our troops. Go get 'em. We got a lot of work to do.

Thank you. Thank you. (Applause.) www.whitehouse.gov

Just Sayin'



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A crowd has formed by the exit of the ballroom as some try to leave Trump's announcement speech before he has finished.... But security won't let them.



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Not totally sure what this meant. But Trump claims that despite claims he would be a warmonger that when he was president he "went decades with no wars". So yeah, didn't quite understand that.



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HONORING VETERANS

by Glen Rider

Back in 2014, Linda and I were living in Pearland, Texas. Linda had retired from teaching, but I was still working in Houston for an engineering company. Linda had gotten to know a young lady named Nancy Kozanecki living in our subdivision. One day they were talking, and Nancy mentioned that she was involved with an organization called "Hike for Mental Health" that was planning to organize a local "walk" to honor and raise money for veterans. Linda said that she would like to be involved with organizing the walk. The main driver for the activity was Leo Walker. He and Nancy were both active "hikers" and members of the "Hike for Mental Health" organization.

The plan for the walk was to solicit donations from sponsors and individual walkers. Proceeds from the walk were to be split evenly between the local VFW Post #7109 in Pearland and a donation to the William Beaumont Army Medical Center in El Paso, Texas to provide workbooks and non-medical supplies to their facility specifically treating veterans suffering from PTSD.

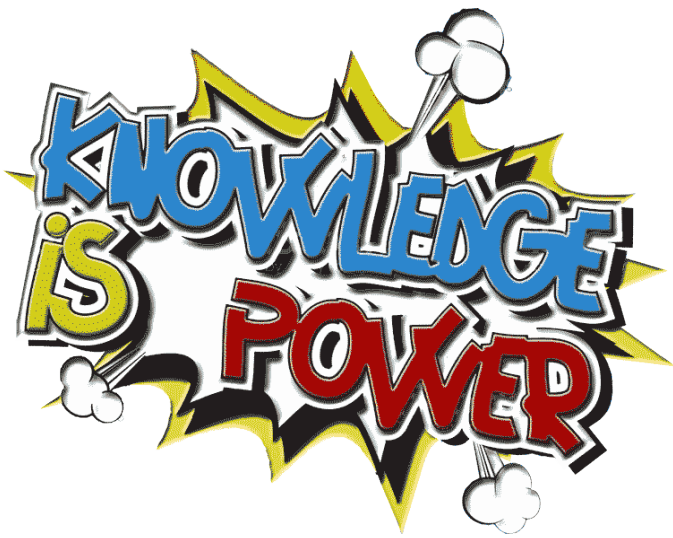
The initial walk was held in 2014 around Veteran's Day and raised about \$4,000 primarily thru major sponsorship. We continued to stay involved with the Veteran's Day Walk in 2015 and

2016 before moving to HSV in 2017. In 2016, they raised over \$10,000, and the event is still being held in Pearland each year.

If the HSV Democrats want to show our support for veterans maybe something like this would be a good opportunity for a community activity. While Linda and I would like to organize this, we are not able to lead the effort due to her medical limitations. We would be happy to act as advisors / consultants for the activity to provide some of the things we learned from the Pearland team.

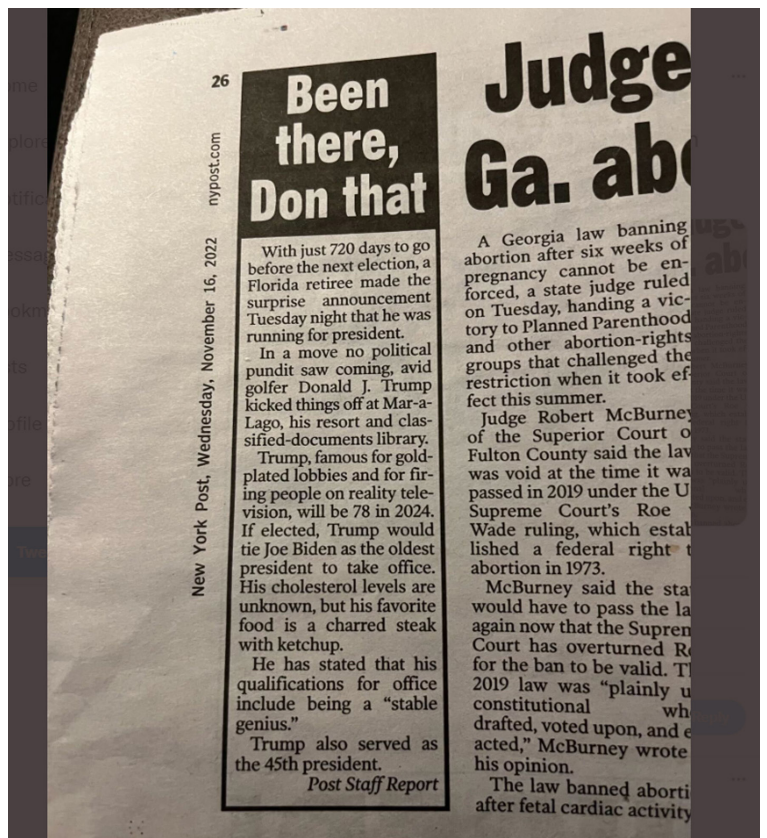
On a personal note, while I am not a veteran, I am proud to be married to one. Linda served four years in the Army Reserve in Indiana and Texas. She worked as a Specialist in Administration. After her military service, Linda also volunteered at DeBakey Medical Center (VA hospital) in Houston and for the USO at Ellington Field near Pearland. Also, both of our fathers were veterans with my dad (Jim Rider) serving in the Navy on a submarine in WWII. Linda's father (John Dalton) was in the Army for 33 years and served in the cavalry (both horse and mechanized) in WWII and Korea. John retired from the Army as a Master Sergeant.





Thank you for a great informational event!

At our information meeting September 22 our speakers presented important information to the Club and all who attended. Gary Clingman's presentation on "The Threat to Social Security & Medicare" and Melissa and Gary Fults' presentation of "Ballot Initiatives - Understanding the 4 Amendments on the November Ballot" were both educational and important. With so much misleading information in the media and intentionally confusing language used in the ballot issues, it was so helpful to have honest information to help us, as voters, at the ballot box.





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