



Cumberland County



Republican Committee

September 3, 2019

Chairman's Update

Dear Committee Members:

1. We continue to add one or two new committee people (CP) and volunteers to our Committee each week. You will find attached a revised listing of vacant CP positions. For those CP's that are in a precinct by themselves, I would ask that you redouble your efforts to find a second CP. We have added a number of new CP's in New Cumberland and East Pennsboro and are rapidly approaching 200 CP's.! [Click here to view remaining vacancies.](#)

2. The Finance Committee had its second meeting and has another meeting scheduled in a couple of weeks. We have \$45,000 in our bank account with another \$20k pledged and anticipate significant additional monies coming in once we are fully up and running. The Committee has many members who will be able to talk to their colleagues about rebuilding the infrastructure of our committee. We have restarted the Governor's Club and it will be one of our main fundraising vehicles for the Committee. There is now significant value associated with being a Governor's Club member and we anticipate every CP will join and encourage others to do likewise. We have just scratched the surface on fundraising and I am quite confident that we will be able to fund our mission for the immediate future and thereafter. My heartfelt thanks to everyone on the Committee.

3. We have circulated a September 9 meeting date to our State Elected Officials.

4. Thanks to the extreme generosity of Senator Mike Regan, we have, in conjunction with the Western Cumberland County Republican Club, scheduled the inaugural Liberty Barbeque for Saturday, September 7 at the Penn Township Fire Company Pavilion, 1750 Pine Road, Newville from 11:30 am until 3 pm. Congressman Scott Perry will be our Keynote Speaker. This is a family-friendly event, so please come out to support your fellow GOP Club Members, your fellow committeepeople who run the Club, and Congressman Perry. An invitation is attached. We are anticipating over 200 persons in attendance, so don't miss out on this opportunity to rub elbows with your fellow CP's and elected officials. Your attendance sends a clear message that we are united as a party and will be a force to be reckoned with in the Fall Elections. Please bring someone who may be interested in getting involved as a CP or as a volunteer. *Thanks, again, to Senator Regan for sponsoring this event!*

Additionally, we are asking for the donation of items for a silent auction to be held at the Liberty BBQ. If you can help in this effort, please let me or Kingsley Blasco know. I have a number of items for the silent auction and as door prizes that I will be donating to this event that will make this event worth attending!

5. We have proposed revisions to our Bylaws, which the entire Committee discussed on Wednesday August 28 . We had a very open and civil discussion amongst the CP's over the proposed revisions. I appreciated everyone's comments and they will ALL be considered. If anyone has any further comments, please send them to Andrew Barbin, Esq., one of our fellow CP's. We will meet on the proposed changes to the Bylaws and factor in the comments received by the CP's for a vote by the entire Committee at a meeting to be scheduled in December.

6. We are preparing lists of Republican voters who have recently moved here for each precinct. Those lists will be distributed to each CP for follow up. We expect every CP to get these Republican transplants registered Republican and will provide forms and technical assistance.

7. We have formed an Indian and Asian Outreach Committee and Sam Herbert, the Chairperson for that Committee, made a passionate and well received presentation about his plans to engage and register Indian and Asian voters into the GOP. This is a natural fit for our party and I encourage everyone to give Sam and his new Committee their complete support. Thanks to Richard Tomredle, a fellow CP, for making this effort a reality.

8. Committee Member Training is scheduled for Saturday, September 14 from 9 am until Noon in the barn. Whether you're a new committee person or a veteran, the presenters and materials to be provided are well worth the price of the free admission and I strongly encourage everyone to attend. We will have another Training in October. To register for this training email Theresa at theresa.gop@gmail.com

9. We have purchased 1000 Donald Trump 2020 lawn signs and are selling them at Committee and County Events for \$5 a sign. We sold almost \$400 of "swag" at our CP meeting! All proceeds from the sale of the signs will go towards supporting the efforts of the Committee. We will have the signs available for purchase at the Liberty Barbecue as well as Trump Hats, T Shirts, and complementary GOP elephant pins provided courtesy of Al Bienstock. Thank you, Al, for your extreme generosity.

10. We have established a Municipal/School Board Outreach Committee to provide for better communication between the Committee and our Local Elected Officials. Rick Reighard, a long time South Middleton Township Supervisor, presented his gameplan at our Committee meeting for connecting the Committee with Local Elected Officials. Rick will do a fabulous job in the position so please reach out to him to introduce him to local officials and school board members in your Township.

11. I'll be providing another Chairman's update to everyone after the Liberty Barbecue. Please mark your calendars for our Fall Dinner. CP's can attend at our cost as part of our effort to thank you for all that you do for the GOP. Invitations will be sent out to every CP next week, so please make this a priority and help us in making this a successful event that we all can be proud of.

12. Last, but DEFINITELY not least, due to the money raised by our Finance Committee and the committee's strong desire to rebuild our infrastructure and compete with the D's, we are looking at renting office space in Carlisle for a new Cumberland County Republican Committee headquarters. I have looked at the space and it not only has curb appeal, but is centrally located with lots of parking. I will get down to brass tacks with the Landlord next week and personally negotiate a lease that will put our party in a position to have a REAL headquarters for meetings, and outreach to our voter base. It is unbelievable to me that the D's have this and we currently have NOTHING. THAT IS GOING TO CHANGE STARTING NEXT WEEK.

Kind regards,
Lou Capozzi
Chairman