# The Patriots' Truth

# **TEA Party News**

## **ON OUR CALENDAR**

MEDIA COMMITTEE MEETING – McALISTER'S DELI, EVERY WED AT 5pm

AUGUST 21 – SATURDAY – 5pm – BROWNBACK–BBQ – WAMEGO – R-TECH

AUGUST 25 – WEDNESDAY – 5:30pm to 7pm – *OUR MANHATTAN* – MANHATTAN PUBLIC LIBRARY, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR, GROESBECK MEETING ROOM

AUGUST 28 – SATURDAY – 9am to 11am – TEA PARTY MEETING – MANHATTAN PUBLIC LIBRARY, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR, GROESBECK MEETING ROOM

## *Our Manhattan* Group – August 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting

An open meeting with an outline of their commitment to take on the established City Council, County Commission, and 383 School Board is commendable and needed.

Local Grass Roots group is what is needed to look at these Local issues. *Our Manhattan* is a fiscal Conservative Grass Root Manhattan, Riley County, Kansas group that fits that bill.

You as a concerned citizen will want to check this group out, as they take on the Status Quo in Local power structure. In that local government that over the years has taken Manhattan and Riley County to higher & higher spending and taxation. *Our Manhattan* asks the simple meat and potatoes question from those in Local government and School Board. Those questions should have Simple and Honest answers. *Our Manhattan* wants a fiscal Conservative form of government for the citizens of Manhattan and Riley County.

*Our Manhattan* group plans to find and promote fiscal Conservative Candidates for these important offices City, County, and 383 School Board.

The goal is to take our commitment to less taxes and a responsible spending environment seriously.

*Our Manhattan* needs is simple in theory and informed education and involved public. They are a "We The People" movement.

So check them out at their next meeting on August 25<sup>TH</sup> at Manhattan Public Library. More info: ourmanhattan.org (website); <u>ourmanhattan@yahoo.com</u> (email)

### **QUESTIONS TO ASK FLINT HILLS TEA PARTY MEMBERS**

What do you want to see the Tea Party do in the future?

Do you see the High School Constitution Scholarship as a worthy project for the TEA Party?

Do you want to support or work toward the goal of all in doing this project?

What are the Goals of the Flint Hills TEA Party as to Candidate Endorsement for primary to general elections?

What support from our group do members who step up and run for office have a right to expect?

To what measure do you see yourself involved?

To what measure of support are you willing to give personally to those who run for office?

If you just want information on events and candidates let us know – we have a web site, twitter account, facebook, and even snail-mail. Online we will have a Newsletter of interest that you can get any time. What would motivate you to step up and become involved in the Flint Hills TEA Party? There is more work than the present members can accomplish. Do you want to see us succeed? If so, please, bring yourself to help even if it is only in the background. What do you want to see us succeed at? What are YOUR goals? Maybe we can help you while you help us!! Answers to above questions need to be in by August 23 so we can address them at the August 28 meeting. To get the info to us use our email: <a href="mailto:fhtp@flinthillsteaparty.com">fhtp@flinthillsteaparty.com</a> or visit us on our Facebook or at <a href="http://www.flinthillsteaparty.com">http://www.flinthillsteaparty.com</a>

People often say that, in a democracy, decisions are made by a majority of the people. Of course, that is not true. Decisions are made by a majority of those who make themselves heard and who vote - a very different thing. ~*Walter H. Judd* 

### **Special Notices, Thanks and Reminders**

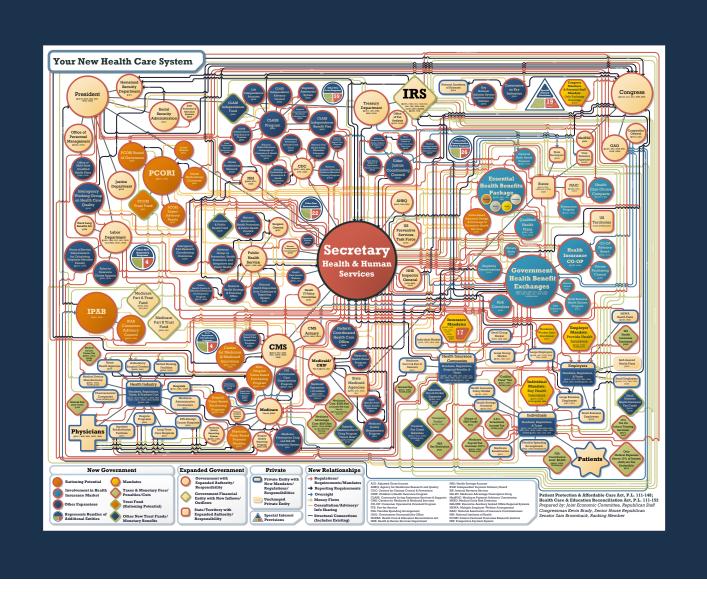
### Area Happenings

We are so proud, thankful and appreciative for the candidates that ran for office in the recent election. Regardless of rather they won or not – They gave of themselves, their families, their lives. We worked hard to make those runs successful, but as usual, we, and they, didn't all win. For those who won – we are still with you through the General Election and for those who didn't – we are still interested in your future endeavors. Thank you again for all your efforts to help us get our country back to God, the citizens, and the world.

The Flint Hills TEA Party has much to do and accomplish. We must expand our membership. The TEA Party **needs** to be **everywhere** working with **everyone** ALL AT ONCE. We have members working with the area schools and school boards concerning the scholarships and subjects taught. We need members working with and supporting those who won the primary election and still have the general election ahead of them, as well as, those who have only the general election to be won. We have members who are intent on working with the coming state and federal Senators and Representatives in the coming sessions. We have members who are working to learn what the general citizens are concerned about and what they want us to concentrate on. We need help – commitment! Our next meeting is August 28 at the Manhattan Public Library at 9am in the little room.

All this covers a lot of ground. We have a list of over 600 persons that are "interested" in these subjects and more, but it takes more than "interest" to accomplish all we want and need to accomplish. Most of the "active" members are spread very thin. Regardless of desire any one person can only be spread so thin. We have lots of areas to cover and need more people to cover it properly. Please help us help you!!

We will keep you informed and educated on what we are doing. We will need your input to keep us on track. Come to the meetings and keep us informed on what you want accomplished



This is the outline you must follow to work with the new Health Care Program.

We, Americans, are a very slow to wake up group. In the last 50 years our country has had it's ups and downs with the end results going down more than up. When the last Presidential election came along many were ready for "change". What they forgot to check out before voting was what the "change" was going to be. It took a President to actually start taking our government away from us by controlling us more and more for us to see what is happening.

What needed changing wasn't to give the federal government more control over our lives and the way we live. What needed changing was to have elected officials that would listen to their constituents and vote the way the citizens want. The man running for the Presidential office did not explain how he intended to "change" our country and we assumed he intended to strengthen our election process and support the wishes of the citizens. Instead we got a President that actually thinks he **is** God. We, citizens had not considered any man would go against the Constitution, against GOD, against our country and against its citizens. We have been "trained"

to believe that "Presidents" WANT to BETTER the country; to HELP the citizens; to WORK **WITH** THE CITIZENS for the GOOD of the country and for the BEST of the citizens. To my knowledge, we have never had a President whose goal was to destroy the United States as a republic and to create a socialist, muslim country that would destroy, kill, and eliminate anyone and everyone who doesn't agree with them and THEIR religion.

American citizens MUST wake up and FIGHT for our country. Take an interest in the coming elections — search out and study who and what each candidate stands for, speak out for those you believe in, support them, work for them, and, most important, **VOTE FOR THEM**. If we don't take back our country by voting in Senators & Representatives (and all elected officials) that will work FOR the little guy we will end up as a country, which is no longer, a republic. A republic is a country with elected officials. We will no longer have that luxury.

"As an American I am not so shocked that Obama was given the Nobel Peace Prize without any accomplishments to his name, but that America gave him the <u>White</u> <u>House</u> based on the same credentials." ~ *Newt Gingrich* 

## Sam Brownback Campaign Stop Meeting

Larry Tawney

My definition of a "Campaign Stop" meeting is when a candidate(s) speaks and then has as a question and answer time. This meeting had NO question and answer time; only the candidates' brief speeches. Candidate for Governor, Sam Brownback and Jeff Colyer, candidate for Lt. Governor made a brief Campaign Stop. There was no opportunity to ask questions.

Not counting family and press there were about 30 people present.

This was a short stop to layout the Goals for the "Road Map for Kansas". There are 5 points that will have the greatest influence on growing the economy and reforming state government. My thoughts on Governor-to-be, Sam Brownback, are: He could/should have polled (online?) the people of Kansas as to what we feel will help Kansas: 1) Repeal Sales Tax; 2) Freeze state government spending; 3) Stop the Federal spending, mandates, and Federal money on sinking this State into debt that is not sustainable. Also stopping Federal Health Care, Federal Control on Education and Bailouts for Unions. Then he could push for Kansas Sovereignty and you won't have to sell this State to anyone. Candidate Brownback gave a 15-20 minute talk and covered none of these items.

Q: What's the difference between Obama and his dog, Bo? A: Bo has papers. ~*Jimmy Kimmel* 

We have received more info from "Our Manhattan".

TENTATIVELY, another County Commissioner forum has been scheduled for October 6<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 8 PM at the Manhattan City Library, Main Auditorium.

Format:

6:00 – 6:05: Pledge of Allegiance.

6:05 to 6:15: *Our Manhattan* introduction and stating of forum Rules.

- 6:15 to 6:25: Candidates get 3 minutes each to introduce themselves.
- 6:25 to 7:05: MC asks each candidate 5 scripted question and each candidate gets 3 minutes to answer.
- 7:05 to 7:50: Audience submits questions for the candidates. Each candidate gets 3 minutes each to answer.
- 7:50 to 8:00: Closing each Candidate gets 5 minutes to describe their platform and why they want to be county commissioner.

8:00 to 8:30: Clean up.

#### **Recommendations:**

- 1. Joe Knopp, Kent Stewart, Wayne Converse, Wynn Butler, John Matta and Kelly Gulker form the committee to script the 5 questions and present them to OM. (No two part questions, that force a candidate to a specific answer).
- 2. If I could get John Meredith, Troy Mattingly and Kent Stewart to help me with set-up.
- 3. I suggest Wynn Butler or John Matta serve as MC or Co-MCs.
- 4. If I could get 3-4 people to help with cleanup.
- 5. This time we'll make sure the Mercury and several radio stations are there.
- 6. Recommend Holly and Rob serve as timekeepers again.

#### Notes:

- 1. Oct 6<sup>th</sup> is 4 weeks prior to the election and one week prior to early voting beginning.
- 2. We'll videotape the event again.
- 3. We'll place the timekeepers in a better place, more visible to the candidates.
- 4. We'll use microphones for better sound volume.
- 5. We'll have a .ppt presentation to accompany the forum; display the questions and pertinent information on a screen or the wall while it is being discussed. PPT presentation. Example: OM logo and e-mail address and web site displayed as people arrive; then project the Pledge of Allegiance; then project the intro and rules; then project question 1, then 2, etc., etc.
- 6. We'll do a better job of signing people in. Have OM cards and a flyer on the sign in desk.
- 7. Have a table for candidates for any office can place campaign flyers.
- 8. We'd like to strongly improve on the 43 people in attendance. I think as our credibility increases we could get up to 75 people of all political persuasions. Wouldn't that be great?
- 9. Any other ideas for improvement?