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“Hutch” Hutcherson talks freedom

Dr. Ken Hutcherson shares his thoughts at Sequim gathering



Sequim, WA – On August 10, 2013, former Seattle Seahawk and Dallas Cowboy middle linebacker, and current pastor of Antioch Bible Church near Seattle, Dr. Ken “Hutch” Hutcherson, shared his testimony, a sermon, and answered questions from the audience. Co-sponsored as a free event by the CCRP and RWCC, Hutch talked about living

through the final days of segregation and how it affected him, and how his attitude changed when he became a Christian. His energetic responses to questions about all topics political offered encouragement to the packed house of citizens who turned out at Sequim Bible Church to hear him speak. Hutcherson has appeared on Rush Limbaugh, Glenn Beck and is an outspoken advocate for freedom and conservative government policies. He has been battling bone cancer for 13 years, and was supposed to have been gone some 5 years ago according to doctors, but as he says, God is the one Who decides when he will go. You can view videos and read his blog at hutchpost.org.

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~George Washington



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CALENDAR

Sept. 16 - Central Committee mtg.—Headquarters—7 p.m.
Sept. 17—Issues Meeting—Mariner Café, Sequim—8 a.m.

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Family Policy Institute grassroots director speaks at GOP meeting

On August 19, 2013, Danille Turussini, WA State Grassroots Director of the Family Policy Institute of Washington (FPIW) spoke to Central Committee at GOP headquarters. She shared the importance of understanding the process that takes place in Olympia in introducing, debating and passing legislation, and invited everyone for a 3-hour class at the Capitol to learn first-hand “how it works”, TBA.

She discussed the public policy that the FPIW works to develop, including life, marriage, religious freedom and parental rights.

The core functions of FPIW include preparing leaders—legislators, educators, pastors, parents and citizens, to become an effective advocate for their values within their sphere of influence. The policy they work to promote would strengthen families and reflect what is “good, true and beautiful.”

Finally, FPIW works to provide accountability for decisions that are made by their elected representative by connecting voters with information at the time they need it the most.

If you are interested in what and how the government and our elected representatives work and are made accountable, or would like to be an outreach to your church, contact Danille at 425-608-7216 or email her at danille@fpiw.org—or contact Sue Forde at sueforde@clallamrepublicans.org.

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VIEW FROM THE CHAIR



I don't know about you, but all this talk about Obama's health care plan is making me sick.

Let's get this straight... the whole plan is based on providing health care to an additional 30 million or so recipients which, on the face of it, sounds like a good idea.

However, we are not going to increase the number of healthcare providers which, incidentally, are retiring in droves without significant replacements on the immediate horizon. Nor will we increase the "waiting time" for services. And we will definitely not institute a method of prioritizing services whereby certain persons will be "more eligible" than others. (Can you say death panels?) Moreover, to top it off, we will actually decrease the overall cost of healthcare.

Really?? Well, maybe... But only after we successfully repeal the law of supply and demand...

Let's face it... the bottom line is that providing healthcare to many more people will, in fact, cost more money. And if those who are newly added to the healthcare roles cannot or will not pay for these services, someone else will be required to. And that "someone else" is likely to be you!

You see, there are only three payment options for health care. One pays for their own healthcare... or one "freeloads" on the system thereby making others pay for their healthcare... or one pays for their own care and that of the "freeloader" as well.

This last option is the one to be chosen for you in the coming year and this is why your healthcare costs are going to skyrocket. You see, Obama is determined to save you money no matter how much it costs you...

In the past, I have had the opportunity to live in several countries wherein health care is provided without charge to its citizens. And I have to tell you... if you think your healthcare is expensive now; just wait until it is free...

~Dick

(Dick Pilling is chair of the Clallam County GOP. He can be reached at dickpilling@clallamrepublicans.org.)

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New State Chair elected at State Central Committee meeting

Spokane, WA—The State Committee, consisting of the chair and two elected representatives from each county across Washington State, met on August 24, 2013 to conduct business on behalf of the Washington State GOP. This meeting focused on electing a new State Chair to replace Kirby Wilbur, who resigned to take a job in Washington DC. Four candidates were nominated from the floor, in accordance with the Rules. After the first ballot, Luanne Van Werven received the 41 votes (Jim Walsh got 16 votes; Christian Berrigan received 11 votes; and Susan Hutchison received 39 votes). According to the Rules, the two lowest candidates were dropped, and the remaining two, acting chair (vice-chair) Luanne Van Werven, who has worked her way up within the GOP, and Susan Hutchison, a former KIRO news anchor, were in the final runoff. Susan Hutchison won by a vote of 59-46, apparently drawing many of the votes from those who had lost in the first round.

The newly elected Hutchison will serve out the remaining term of one year and approximately 4 months, before another election will be held in 2015. Since her years at KIRO, Hutchison has served as a board member for the Discovery Institute, a Seattle think tank, and more recently as executive director of the Charles and Lisa Simonyi Fund for Arts and Sciences, a philanthropic foundation in Seattle. She also serves as Finance Chair of the Woodrow Wilson Center in Washington, and is vice-chair of Young Life International, among others.

Smart Meters cause a variety of citizen concerns

On Saturday, Sept. 7th, there will be a showing of the film “Take Back Your Power: The ‘Smart Meter’ Agenda Unveiled.” This is a nonpartisan event.

It will be shown at 6:30 p.m. in the Carver Room of the Port Angeles Library, 2210 South Peabody.

The documentary investigates the “smart meter program” being rolled out worldwide without most people’s consent. There are issues about health, privacy, property rights, corporate fraud and the unprecedented vulnerability of the “smart” grid.

This free event is an opportunity for Olympic Peninsula residents to learn more about the issue before Smart Meters are installed in Port Angeles.

More information about the film at: www.takebackyourpower.net

Rob McKenna has a new website—www.smartergovernment.org. He’s offering perspectives about why Washington state government should focus on “core functions”.

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Obama “Excuse-O-Meter” featured at GOP Fair Booth



Employees”, “The Stimulus Wasn’t Big Enough” and “I Inherited It.” A 12th spot on the wheel allowed people to win “Entitlement Candy from the Obama Stash”. The wheel was created and built by Peter Heisel, who found inspiration for the idea while surfing on thepeoples-cube.com. He was also responsible for creating the messaging in the booth.

The CCRP booth at the 2013 Clallam County Fair in August was a resounding success. That’s why the central committee voted it the “best fair booth ever.” The booth sported new, roomier tents with elegantly styled decorations and timeless messaging. CCRP volunteers cheerily handed out US flags, US Constitutions, CCRP newsletters and “entitlement” candy. Over 50 new people signed up to receive the CCRP newsletter.

Heisel thanks all the volunteers who made the booth a success, saying “their time and devotion are greatly appreciated.” He would like to give special mention to Tom O’Donnell, Don Hall and Mark Marinaro, who helped with the set-up and decoration. He also credits the excellent messaging and wheel creation with his close collaboration with Mr. Jack Daniels, Sir Johnny Walker, Dr. James Beam and Senor Jose Cervo.

The public was entertained by the “President Barack Obama Excuse-O-Meter”, where they could spin a wheel to obtain “The Lamest Excuse for any Crisis”. 11 excuses included: “It’s Bush’s Fault”, “It’s Just a Few Rogue

After the CCRP newsletter, the fair booth is our biggest and most expensive effort to get our message out. Please consider a donation to help offset these expenses.

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Home Rule Charter: Now is the time to consider running

Home Rule. That's what we have. Our county is one of only six in the state of Washington designated as a "Home Rule" charter county.

The Charter is a "county constitution" designed to give the control of county affairs to the people of the county, rather than requiring legislation from Olympia. It provides for increased local control and local involvement over our government by the citizens.

Among other areas, the Charter sets county positions as elected, rather than appointed. Ours is the first experiment in the nation in an elected head of the planning department—the director of the Department of Community Development (DCD). It outlines the powers and duties of elected officials. It also provides for the powers of initiative, referendum, mini-initiative and the right of recall.

Every 8 years, 15 citizens are elect-

ed (5 from each commissioner district) to serve on the Home Rule Charter Commission—to review and suggest changes for citizens to vote upon. The Commission serves for about a year, and holds hearings across the county to receive input and ideas from the citizens about what they'd like to see changed.

The Charter isn't very long. You can download and read it at www.clallamrepublicans.org—click on the link on the left navigation bar.

Please give some consideration to running for the position of Home Rule Charter Commissioner in 2014. If you'd like to know more, contact Sue Forde or Dick Pilling at www.clallamrepublicans.org

Don't forget to check out "News & Views" on the GOP website. www.clallamrepublicans.org—click on GOP Commentary on the top bar.



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“Research Mom” Sharon Hanek speaks about Common Core education

Sharon Hanek spoke to a group of citizens at the Boys and Girls Club on Wednesday, August 14 at 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Concerned Citizens of Clallam County, Hanek talked about reform and how Common Core is “reframing society.”

Terminology from Common Core includes “reform”, “re-invent”, “restructure” and transform. Ask yourself, she said, “WHAT are we changing? WHERE are we going?”

One of the quotes from the National Governors Association she cited was Shirley McCune’s statement: “The purpose of education and schools is to change the thoughts, feelings and actions of children. And good teaching is defined as challenging the students’ fixed beliefs.”

The goals for education in Washington State have been changed, alright. HB109, pg. 3 shows as stricken what is no longer requirements for education—including to “achieve those skills which are generally recognized as requisite to learning”, like “to distinguish, interpret and make use of words, numbers and other symbols, including sound, colors, shapes and textures.” What has been substituted for old-fashioned reading, writing and arithmetic is for the student to “become responsible citizens, to contribute to their own economic well-being and to that of their families and communities, and to enjoy productive and satisfying lives.”

The current State law goes even further. RCW 28A.150.210 says “A basic education is an evolving program of instruction that is intended to provide students with the opportunity to become responsible and respectful GLOBAL citizens,...and to enjoy productive and satisfying lives.”

Education “reform” has come a long way. In pre-1993, specific skills and content, with norm testing for core knowledge and a scope and sequence per grade were required.

Since 1993, consensus-created performance based standards to goals of citizenship, productivity and satisfaction; assessment of attitudes, behaviors/actions and emotions/perceptions about learning and criteria testing are required, with a focus on outcomes that ALL children are expected to achieve—based on college and career readiness (work force training).

The Common Core curriculum is based more on the philosophy that “everyone is equal in abilities, thoughts, and actions...including nature”, that there is a moral relativity without concept of absolute principals or truth; the use of emotions, not facts, to defend your decisions and the inability to follow cause and effect relationships; and finally, consensus and interdependent group think.

What most of us were taught was based on a different philosophy: authority to a higher power, with hier-

archy based on age, experience, position and ability; absolutes—right vs wrong; truth vs lies; good vs evil.

We were taught linear thinking—that is, thinking logically connecting the dots to a conclusion, and we were taught individuality.

Common Core incorporates common standards, with common tests. It requires data tracking with a data storage warehouse. There is emphasis on “early” learning. Home schools and private schools will be impacted.

More parents and some teachers are becoming more aware of the negative impacts that Common Core will have on our future generations of children. There are several websites available for excellent information, including:

www.curewashington.org

www.truthinAmericanEducation.org

www.WherestheMath.com

www.stopcommoncorewa.wordpress.com

Hanek exhorted everyone to get informed, to share information, and to sign up for information on “showing up” events. Her website is ResearchMom.org. Her email address is edresearch@hotmail.com.

From the Founders....

“A free people [claim] their rights as derived from the laws of nature, and not as the gift of their chief magistrate.” ~Thomas Jefferson, Rights of British America, 1774.

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Rural Cleansing - Tactics sound familiar?

By Kimberley A. Strassel,
Asst. editorial features editor at the Wall
Street Journal

Federal authorities were forced to cut off water to 1,500 farms in Oregon's and California's Klamath Basin in April because of the "endangered" sucker fish. The environmental groups behind the cutoff continue to declare that they are simply concerned for the welfare of a bottom-feeder. But last month, those environmentalists revealed another motive when they submitted a polished proposal for the government to buy out the farmers and move them off their land.

This is what's really happening in Klamath — call it rural cleansing — and it's repeating itself in environmental battles across the country. Indeed, the goal of many en-

vironmental groups — from the Sierra Club to the Oregon Natural Resources Council (ONRC) — is no longer to protect nature. It's to expunge humans from the countryside.

The Greens' Strategy

The strategy of these environmental groups is nearly always the same: to sue or lobby the government into declaring rural areas off-limits to people who live and work there. The tools for doing this include the Endangered Species Act and local preservation laws, most of which are so loosely crafted as to allow a wide leeway in their implementation.

In some cases owners lose their property outright. More often, the environmentalists' goal is to have restrictions placed on

the land that either render it unusable or persuade owners to leave of their own accord.

The Klamath Basin saga began back in 1988, when two species of suckers from the area were listed under the Endangered Species Act. Things worked reasonably well for the first few years after the suckers were listed. The Bureau of Reclamation, which controls the area's irrigation, took direction from the Fish and Wildlife Service, and tried to balance the needs of both fish and farmers. This included programs to promote water conservation and tight control over water flows. The situation was tense, but workable.

But in 1991 the Klamath basin suffered a drought, and Fish and Wildlife noted that the Bureau of Reclamation might need to do more for the fish. That was the environmentalists' cue. Within two months, the ONRC — the pit bull of Oregon's environmental groups — was announcing intentions to sue the Bureau of Reclamation for failure to protect the fish.

The group's lawsuits weren't immediately successful, in part because Fish and Wildlife continued to revise its opinions as to what the fish needed, and in part because of the farmers' undeniable water rights, established in 1907. But the ONRC kept at it and finally found a sympathetic ear. This spring, a federal judge — in deciding yet another lawsuit brought by the ONRC, other environmental groups, fishermen and Indian tribes — ordered an unwilling Interior Department to shut the water off. The ONRC had succeeded in denying farmers the ability to make a living.

Since that decision, the average value of an acre of farm property in Klamath has dropped from \$2,500 to about \$35. Most owners have no other source of income. And so with the region suitably desperate, the enviros dropped their bomb. Last month, they submitted a proposal urging the government to buy the farmers off.

The council has suggested a price of
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UNDER THE DOME

Derek Kilmer, 6th Congressional District Representative.

HR-3—to construct the Keystone Pipeline—VOTED NO

HR-45 - To repeal the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare) - VOTED NO.

HR-64—CISPA Act—would further legalize the massive sharing of private-user online data by internet companies with federal government agencies. VOTED YES.

Patty Murray, U. S. Senator

Senate Amendment 711 to S.649 (Safe Communities) - ban future manufacture, import, sale, transfer or possession of certain semi-automatic firearms considered to be "assault weapons". VOTED YES.

She also voted for several other bills to harm 2nd Amendment rights.



An amendment to uphold 2nd Amendment rights and prevent the U.S. from entering into the United Nations Arms Trade Treaty. VOTED NO.

To establish the Keystone XL Pipeline—VOTED NO.

A balanced budget amendment proposed by Rand Paul. VOTED NO.

Amendment to S. 3412—Middle Class Tax Cut Act—VOTED NO.

Maria Cantwell—U.S. Senator

Voted the same way that Patty Murray did.

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Rural Cleansing - Tactics sound familiar? *(continued from page 6)*

\$4,000 an acre, which makes it more likely owners will sell only to the government. While the amount is more than the property's original value, it's nowhere near enough to compensate people for the loss of their livelihoods and their children's futures.

The ONRC has picked its fight specifically with the farmers, but its actions will likely mean the death of an entire community. The farming industry will lose \$250 million this year. But property-tax revenues will also decrease under new property assessments. That will strangle road and municipal projects. Local businesses are dependent on the farmers and are now suffering financially. Should the farm acreage be cleared of people entirely, meaning no taxes and no shoppers, the community is likely to disappear.

Nor has the environment won, even at this enormous cost. The fish in the lake may have water, but nothing else does. On the 200,000 acres of parched farmland, animals belonging to dozens of species — rabbits, deer, ducks, even bald eagles — are either dead or off searching for water. And there's no evidence the suckers are improving. Indeed, Fish and Wildlife's most recent biological opinions, which concluded that the fish needed more water, have been vociferously questioned by independent biologists. Federal officials are now releasing some water (about 16% of the normal flow) into the irrigation canals, but it doesn't help the farmers or wildlife much this year.

Environmentalists argue that farmers should never have been in the "dry" Klamath valley in the first place and that they put undue stress on the land. But

the West is a primarily arid region; its history is one of turning inhospitable areas into thriving communities through prudent and thoughtful reallocation of water. If the Klamath farmers should be moved, why not the residents of San Diego and Los Angeles, not to mention the Southwest and parts of Montana and Wyoming? All of these communities survive because of irrigation — water that could conceivably go to some other "environmental" use.

But, of course, this is the goal. Environmental groups have spoken openly of their desire to concentrate people into cities, turning everything outside city limits into a giant park. A journalist for the Rocky Mountain News recently noted that in June the Sierra Club posted on its Web site a claim that "efficient" urban density is about 500 households an acre. This, in case you're wondering, is about three times the density of Manhattan's most tightly packed areas. And it's not as if there were any shortage of open space in the West. The federal government already owns 58% of the western U.S., with state and local government holdings bumping the public percentage even higher.

Balanced Stewardship

Do the people who give money to environmental groups realize the endgame is to evict people from their land? I doubt it. The American dream has always been to own a bit of property on which to pursue happiness. This dream involves some compromises, including a good, balanced stewardship of nature — much like what was happening in Klamath before the ONRC arrived. But this dream will disappear — as it already is in Oregon and California — if environmental groups and complicit government agencies are allowed to continue their rural cleansing.

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