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EAGLE FORUM'S NATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Eagle Forum held it's 40th National Leadership Conference in Arlington, Virginia September 16th to 18th. Approximately 250 leaders from 50 states were in attendance. Highlights of the weekend were addresses from Virgina Attorney General Ken Cuchinelli, Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach, and of course Eagle Forum founder and president Phyllis Schlafly.

There were many informative and stimulating talks during the weekend such as:

- Using our latest technologies to win campaigns
- How we can defeat school tax increases
- How to pass pro-life state laws
- Keeping foreign law out of US law

- The reason that marriage is the law of the land
- Keeping elections honest
- Fighting left-wing indoctrination in the schools
- The menace of the National Popular Vote

Eagle Forum's International Issues Chairman Kathie Adams addressed the dangers of UN Agenda 21 – a comprehensive UN plan initiated in Rio de Janeiro in 1992, and adopted by Bill Clinton through an Executive Order in 1993. Its goal is to bring about a Socialist government, managed by unelected, appointed planning commissioners and other NGO's. The UN NGO called ICLEI or International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives is the arm of the UN that is promoting Agenda 21 and the overhaul of local governments. There are more than 600 cities and counties that are members of ICLEI – which means that those cities and counties are indirectly under the control of the UN. There are 3 themes that are central to UN Agenda 21: Equity, Economy, and Environment. The goal of Equity is to transform equal justice into social justice. Social justice is the redistribution of wealth, without property rights because private ownership negates equality. The goal for the Economy is to change it from a free enterprise system to a public-private-partnership system where government and private corporations partner up. This is fascism – private ownership, but controlled by the government. Environment refers to giving plants and animals more and at least equal rights with humans.

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MEMBERSHIP IN MISSOURI EAGLE FORUM

"Membership has its privileges." Of course we have heard this in the promotion of credit cards, but we have never been able to say this about Missouri Eagle Forum...until now! For 39 years, Missouri Eagle Forum has been very busy watching out to make sure that Missouri family values are reflected in Jefferson City. Our job is to keep ourselves informed, keep you informed, and keep our legislators informed about the conservative standards in Missouri.

In partnering with you, we can continue this good work on the issues, travel often to Jefferson City, meet with legislators to understand and to be understood, and publish a hard-copy newsletter with information that will benefit you. As we saw in the last legislative session, our strong opposition to the Constitutional Convention bill made a big difference. A strong coalition of conservative voters is a mighty force, and we intend to remain a force to be reckoned with!

Please join us today with a check for \$15.00 for one calendar year. Make your check payable to Missouri Eagle Forum, and send it to Joan Langenberg, 49 Conway Close Road, St. Louis, MO 63124. Your first privilege will be a free one year membership by attending the reception and dinner at our Missouri Eagle Forum event November 4th. The invitation is included in this newsletter.

Don't you want to say, "Membership has its privileges?!"

THE COUNTY CAUCUS: CHOOSING THE PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE

Under current state law, our Republican primary must be held in February. But national party rules dictate that only lowa, New Hampshire, South Carolina and Nevada can hold a presidential preference primary before March 6th. States that violate that rule will lose half of their delegates to the national convention.

A bill did move through the legislature that included moving our primary to another time. However, the bill was vetoed by Governor Nixon. State law doesn't mandate that parties adhere to the presidential primaries. But in order to not lose delegates who will protect Missouri's influence in the nomination process and yet comply with the national party rules, we will return to selecting delegates within the caucus structure. Missouri has utilized caucuses for presidential elections over the years; most recently this happened in 1996. The county caucuses are open to registered voters in their counties, and attendees will choose delegates and alternates to congressional districts and state conventions.

On April 21st, delegates chosen at the county caucuses will gather in the state's eight congressional districts where county delegates will vote for three national delegates, three alternates, and one elector from each congressional district. These chosen delegates will need to formally declare allegiance to a presidential candidate prior to the vote. And delegates will be bound to that candidate at the national convention unless they're released by the candidate. An additional 26 national delegates and alternates will be selected at the GOP's statewide convention on June 2nd in Springfield by County delegates and all elected delegates will attend the national convention. They will have to formally declare allegiance to a candidate prior to voting, and will be bound to that candidate at the national convention.

Missouri will send 52 delegates and 49 alternates to the Republican National Convention in Tampa, Florida to formally select a Republican nominee for president. We urge our members to attend their county caucus and become a delegate!



HEALTH CARE FREEDOM IS UNDER ASSAULT IN MISSOURI

In the upcoming Legislative Session, Senator Jane Cunningham plans to submit legislation which would place the language of Proposition C or The Health Care Freedom Act into the Missouri Constitution. Last year 71% of Missouri voters voted for Proposition C, which prevents the federal government from mandating citizens to purchase health insurance. Representative Tim Jones will present legislation in the House.

This action has been necessitated because of Governor Nixon's recent attempt by Executive Order to appropriate 21 million dollars to implement Health Insurance Exchanges (essentially Obamacare) without approval from the legislature. Because of the effective intervention of Senator Jane Cunningham, Senator Jim Lembke, and several other senators, this action was thwarted.

In her recent press release, Senator Cunningham said, "This action to implement a federal health care exchange flies in the face of the 71 percent of voters who overwhelmingly said "yes" to Proposition C, an initiative designed to prevent the federal government from requiring citizens to purchase health insurance, and for punishing those who don't purchase a prescribed product......furthermore I'm disappointed to learn that the Governor and his administration were looking to implement the health care exchange without legislative knowledge or approval. Because of this, I plan on putting in legislation this upcoming session which would place the language of Proposition C or the Health Care Freedom Act into the Missouri State Constitution."

Missourians need to strongly urge their state senators and representatives to support this legislation in the upcoming session. We the people have already taken our stand on Obamacare and we WILL be heard again!

MISSOURI EAGLE FORUM ASKS: DOES IT MATTER?

In the political maneuverings that go on in Washington D.C. and Jefferson City, ideology frames positions taken on every issue. Liberals and conservatives debate merits, radio ads are purchased by special interest groups to influence opinion, and e-mail alerts are sent to interested groups when legislation is pending. The question that Missouri Eagle Forum must ask regarding each piece of legislation is: Does it matter?

When our state representatives and senators are presented with a bill that would give tax credits to one industry that promises to bring a lot of jobs to an area, does it matter?

When these same brave people are presented with a bill that gives full marital benefits to gay couples, does it matter?

Fund-raising in order to be elected or re-elected is the driver in many districts. The person who raises the most money wins, no matter the qualifications. Does it matter?

My neighbors and probably your neighbors as well are fed up with politics and politicians. The constant bombardment of breaking news, infighting within and without political affiliations, and the perks of those elected or appointed

to high office have turned people away from the process. The Tea Party is one group's answer to the frustration. However, the Silent Majority is still largely silent. Even so, the question must be asked: Does it matter? The health and welfare of our families, our cities, our states, and our nations are at stake in many decisions that go before our congress.

The Preamble to our Constitution says it best: "We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

We have a personal responsibility as private citizens to seek the ideals put forth in our founding document. If legislation is not demonstrating justice to all, it matters. How does one define justice, though? Ideology provides the definition, and from where the ideology comes determines the position taken. Marxism? Socialism? Capitalism? Judeo-Christian ethics? Yes, it matters, and Missouri Eagle Forum is asking the questions!

DEAR MISSOURI FRIENDS:

Please don't miss this important educational event featuring Phyllis Schlafly, Ed Martin, and our guest speaker Frank Gaffney. Mr. Gaffney is the president of the center for security policy in Washington D.C. The center has been nationally and internationally recognized as a resource for timely, informed, and penetrating analysis of foreign and defense policy matters.

He is also the host of secure freedom radio, a nationally syndicated radio program heard weeknights throughout the country. Issues such as current threats to our national security, sovereignty and ways of life are discussed. Featured guests have included Newt Gingrich, John Bolton, and Donald Rumsfeld. Mr. Gaffney is also the author of *Shariah*: *The Threat to America*. Shariah and radical Islam will be the topic of his talk November 4th!

Please read our invite, and reply today! Gratefully,

Joan Langenberg President, Missouri Eagle Forum

