



The National Grassroots Organization of Republicans for Environmental Protection

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FLORIDA CHAPTER OF REPUBLICANS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (REP AMERICA)

PRESIDENT'S NEWSLETTER – AUGUST 2007

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The Florida Chapter of REP America welcomes several new members this quarter. Some of our new friends include:

- Former Florida Governor, Jeb Bush, Coral Gables
- Congresswoman Ginny Brown-Waite, Brooksville
- Congressman Vern Buchanan, Bradenton
- Ken LaRoe, Eustis

We'd like to introduce all our new members. So new members please send us a few lines about yourself and we'll highlight you in our next newsletter.

2007 FL-REP ANNUAL MEETING: OCTOBER 20th IN ORLANDO JOINTLY WITH *PRESIDENCY IV*

Plans are well underway for the 2007 Florida Chapter Annual Meeting in Orlando on October 20, 2007. The Annual Meeting will be held at Rosen Shingle Creek Resort and coincides with the *Presidency IV*, a statewide convention. *Presidency IV* will span two days and is designed to encourage participation in the Republican Party of Florida and the primary process and to showcase our Republican Presidential candidates. *Presidency IV* will culminate with a live, nationally televised debate among all Republican Presidential candidates.

Needless to say, the Executive Committee is very excited about the opportunity to have our Chapter thrust right into the middle of the presidential primary process. We are in the process of securing great speakers including, pardon the pun, a "power speaker" on

alternative energy. Our annual meeting will conclude with the 2007 Green Elephant Awards.

SPECIAL THANKS TO MS. MELISSA IGLESIAS (Orlando) AND DR. JAMES WHITMAN (Long Boat Key) for offering to assist in planning for this years Annual Meeting in Orlando. Additionally, **Dr Whitman has donated \$200 to sponsor this event. Thank you very much Dr. Whitman.**

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE VOTES TO AWARD GOVERNOR CRIST A GREEN ELEPHANT

On August 2nd, the Florida Chapter Executive Committee voted unanimously to award Governor Crist a 2007 “Green Elephant” award. Nominations for Governor Crist were based on the Governor’s courage to address alternative energies and sustainable growth. A presentation in honor of Governor Crist’s Green Elephant award will be made at the October 20th, Annual Meeting in Orlando. The Executive Committee has invited Governor Crist to attend so that we may honor his courage and conservation ethic.

GREEN ELEPHANT AWARD NOMINATIONS

Please submit nominations for 2007 Green Elephant Awards to me at sparks@esinc.cc. The categories include:

- **Municipal**
- **County**
- **State Representative**
- **State Senate**
- **Volunteer (Betty Talburt Memorial)**

Please include supporting data and a brief description of your reason for each nomination. Nominees must be Republican.
