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Funke, Astorino, Assini, Robach, Owens, Lawrence, Johns, Collins, Styk, Goodrich, Smith and Ortt Lead Conservative Party Ticket

This year the Monroe County Conservative Party has supported 35 excellent candidates for public office. We have chosen our endorsed candidates from among enrolled Conservatives, Republicans, and Democrats. Our well-qualified and Conservatively-oriented candidates are on the Conservative line; Row C. They stand for and will work to achieve our traditional Conservative principles: Lower taxes, less government, Life, Fiscal Restraint, the 2nd Amendment, a meritocracy, personal responsibility, hard work, and pub-

lic safety. We oppose the biased, Liberal, unfair Democrat and Chronicle, and its obsession with the City of Rochester (28% of Monroe County), the Democrats, attacking Maggie, and its reverse discrimination. We oppose Obama and his failed policies. We oppose Governor Cuomo's corruption and failed Liberal policies. The Monroe County Conservative Party hopes that you, your family, and your friends can vote for our very good candidates on Row C on Election day, Tuesday, November 4th.

CANDIDATE OFFICE SOUGHT

Rob Astorino	New York Governor
Chris Moss	New York Lieutenant Governor
John Cahill	New York Attorney General
Bob Antonacci	New York Comptroller
Mark Assini	25 th Congressional District
Chris Collins	27 th Congressional District
John M. Owens, Sr.	Surrogate Court Judge
Michael Nozzolio	54 th Senate District
Rich Funke	55 th Senate District
Joseph Robach	56 th Senate District
Patrick Gallivan	59 th Senate District
Michael Ranzenhofer	61 st Senate District
Robert Ortt	62 nd Senate District
Bill Nojay	133 rd Assembly District
Peter Lawrence	134 th Assembly District
Mark Johns	135 th Assembly District
Peterson Vazquez	138 th Assembly District
Stephen Hawley	139 th Assembly District
Brian Marianetti	7 th County Legislative District
Sean Delehanty	11 th County Legislative District
Dorothy Styk	18 th County Legislative District
Christopher Wilcox	Clarkson Town Justice
Jacqueline E. Smith	Clarkson Town Council
Frederick May	Fairport Village Mayor
Vincent Barone	Fairport Village Justice
Kenneth Rohr	Fairport Village Trustee
Debra Tandoi	Fairport Village Trustee
Diana Christodaro	Greece Town Council-4 th Ward
Jennifer M. Goodrich	Hamlin Town Council
Kyle Mullen	Parma Town Council
Richard Stowe	Riga Town Justice
Cynthia Jessop	Riga Town Council
Robert Connors	Sweden Town Justice
Kathleen Bahr-Seever	Sweden Receiver of Taxes
Brian T. Ingraham	Sweden Superintendent of Highways

OBAMA THE TERRIBLE!

A recent Quinnipiac poll indicated that Barack Obama was rated as the "Worst" President since World War II. Another respected survey showed that 72% of our citizens believe that America is on the "wrong track". Any fair minded observer would have to conclude that after almost 6 years Obama's Presidency has been a complete disaster! On Domestic issues he has been INCOMPETENT, DISHONEST, and a RADICAL LIBERAL. On Foreign issues, he has been WEAK, DETACHED and CONFUSED. A review of his failures includes the following:

UNDERESTIMATING ISIS ("a J.V. team", "no strategy"); Obama says he won the WAR ON TERROR...oops... don't tell the beheaded journalists; NO ON KEYSTONE PIPELINE (needed and safe); a failed STIMULUS BILL (\$862 Billion, no jobs); GREEN ENERGY initiatives (Solyndra, etc.); NO IMMIGRATION BILL (complete control of Congress 2009-2010, currently a flood of illegal immigrants); His obsession with GLOBAL WARMING (Niagara Falls froze this year); the shame of BENGHAZI (no protection, no rescue, a political cover-up, etc.); FUNDRAISER IN CHIEF (411 fundraisers); A GOLF PRO (181 times played golf often during crises); LAWLESSNESS (Obamacare, Dream Act, drug laws, recess appointments, 12 times 9-0 Supreme Court ruled against him, etc.); FEDERAL DEFICIT (17+ trillion, excessive spending); A FAKE ECONOMIC RECOVERY (part time jobs, low job participation rate (63%), and lower personal income);

FOOD STAMPS (number of recipients and cost almost doubled); A LIAR (Obamacare, Benghazi, Romney a murderer, when knew about ISIS, etc.); CAIRO APOLOGY SPEECH; Removal of ANTI-BALLISTIC MISSILES (from Poland and Czechoslovakia); RE-SET RUSSIA (Ukraine, Crimea, Syria, etc.); IRAN (a nuclear bomb is coming); LIBYA (lead from behind, now a radical Islamic stronghold); ISRAEL (not timely supply arms, publicly embarrassed Netanyahu, Kerry's pro-Islamic ridiculous peace plan); NO RESIDUAL FORCES in Iraq and Afghanistan (sacrificed our troops and wealth for nothing); OBAMACARE (took our doctor and healthcare - ineffective, and disastrous rollout); FAST & FURIOUS (Holder held in contempt); FORT HOOD (workplace violence?).

Overseas the World is in chaos and burning. Domestically America is in decline socially, morally, and economically. In 2008, when Obama ran for President, his detractors said he lacked the "life experiences" to be a good President (only a student, a community organizer, and a Chicago style politician). Obama has shown no Presidential leadership. Our Nation is adrift. America deserved so much better than the pathetic, embarrassing, dangerous, and terrible 6 year Presidency of Barack Obama.

For lower taxes and less government,
Vote Row C

THE IRS SCANDAL: A SERIOUS THREAT TO OUR DEMOCRACY

Prior to the midterm elections in 2010, many Conservative groups were very active in opposing Democratic Senators, Congressmen and Obama's policies. They registered new voters, raised money, articulated Conservative values and worked to get out the vote on Election Day. Their support proved decisive. President Obama said that his party took a: "SHALLACKING".

In late 2010 in response to this Conservative activism, the Obama administration directed the IRS to act aggressively to curtail Conservative involvement in the 2012 elections. Lois Lerner, the Director of Exempt Organizations Unit of the IRS, helped organize a campaign to harass, delay, intimidate and/or deny new Conservative groups that applied for tax exempt status under Section 501-(c)(4). Certain names such as "patriot" or "tea party" led the IRS to use governmental IRS powers politically to protect the President and his Democratic allies. The new approval requirements were ridiculous (unnecessary and harsh audits, lengthy intrusive questionnaires, asking bizarre details of group members, asking applicants positions on websites, asking information on family members, etc)! When this illegal activity was discovered, Lois Lerner repeatedly took the 5th Amendment before Congress. Then, she claimed that her computer "crashed" and that she lost 2 years of emails? She destroyed requested evidence. On May 7, 2014 in a bipartisan vote (231-187) Lois Lerner was found in "contempt of Congress". Her few emails that did survive show Lerner referred to Conservative groups as "crazies" and much worse. She is an unprofessional political hack!

Through the actions of Judicial Watch and others, we now know that the IRS targeting of Conservative groups came directly from the White House ("The Chicago way") and not from Cincinnati. In the cover up, subpoenas have not been responded to and Congressional testimony has been evasive. Eric Holder and the Department of Justice predictably have done nothing in regard to the IRS abuses. The misuse of government power by the powerful and feared IRS sends a chilling message. Richard Nixon "talked" of using the IRS as a political weapon and he actually did nothing. For that he was impeached! The media went berserk about Nixon's mere

talk. However the mainstream lap dog media is virtually ignoring Obama's political repugnant IRS actions and the resulting cover up. We clearly need a SPECIAL PROSECUTOR in order to learn fully Obama's political misuse of the IRS and his subversion of our tradition of democracy. Otherwise, Obama's government with its awesome power can act to destroy our democratic system and our Constitutional rights and protections.

BERGDAHL: AN ANTI-AMERICAN DESERTER AND TRAITOR *He Is A Hero To Obama!*

In the early morning hours of June 30, 2009, Bowe Bergdahl, a U.S. Army Private, walked off his guard post in Eastern Afghanistan without permission. Just prior to leaving, he informed one of his platoon mates that he was "fed up with America". Bergdahl left without his weapon, helmet, and other military gear. He only carried a compass and bottle of water. At least six of his fellow soldiers who were present have said repeatedly (on Fox News, CNN, etc.) that he was a "deserter". Shortly after he left, Bergdahl was seen by Afghan villagers nearby and they warned him of where the Taliban were located. He proceeded to go in that direction. Just before deserting, Bergdahl wrote a letter to his father that said: "I am even ashamed to be an American. The horror of the self-righteous arrogance that they thrive on is all revolting. The title of US soldier is just a lie of fools and the horror that is America is disgusting".

It has been credibly reported that at least seven soldiers were killed by the Taliban while searching for Bergdahl. Bergdahl's fellow soldiers after his desertion appropriately despised him. A fellow platoon member said Bergdahl deserved "a firing squad or at least a life sentence in Leavenworth". Desertion in wartime is a capital offense. In previous wars, it was punishable by death!

In a White House Rose Garden ceremony on June 3, 2014, President Obama appeared with Bergdahl's parents. There Obama triumphantly announced that Bergdahl had been unconditionally exchanged for five

Taliban terrorists who were in Guantanamo Bay. The five include two mass murderers and other high ranking Taliban military and intelligence officials who had previously killed Americans. The terrorists were the "worst of the worst". Even Obama could not say that they would not return to the battle field and kill Americans in the future. The Rose Garden ceremony was an attempt to celebrate and "spike the football" as Obama's poll approval numbers were falling. At the end of the Rose Garden event, Bergdahl's father, Robert spoke in Pashto, the language of the Taliban and closed by praising Allah. The Taliban were and are an ally of Al-Qaeda. They were responsible for the killing of thousands of Americans on 9/11. Obama seemed to be rather comfortable and pleased with this recognition of our enemy at the White House Rose Garden ceremony.

Obama tried to justify his pathetic trade by basing it upon the tradition of: "not leaving a soldier on the battle field". Absurd! He was a deserter. We lost many honorable soldiers searching for him. The not leaving behind theme applies militarily not politically. The mass murder terrorists who were freed for Bergdahl will cost America many more lives in the future. You do not negotiate with terrorists! It will lead to many more American deaths. Susan Rice, the National Security Advisor, lied again (after Benghazi) by saying Bergdahl had: "served with honor and distinction". Ridiculous! He was a deserter and a traitor. He had no record of honor or distinction (Coast Guard or Army). He had a long history of anti-Americanism.

Any fair minded observer would conclude that Obama has done a lot of terrible things as President. However, one of his worst actions was the trading of traitor Bowe Bergdahl for five dangerous terrorists. Bergdahl betrayed his fellow soldiers and America. Obama's Bergdahl deal is an insult to all military personnel and all Americans. Obama's attempt to make Bergdahl a hero to raise his poll numbers and to justify his actions was bizarre and wrong. Barack Obama has no knowledge of military history or military tradition. He does not understand the brotherhood and interrelationship between Army (or Marine) infantrymen (grunts). Apparently, Obama is not familiar with the concepts of: honor, loyalty, and patriotism. His handling of the Bergdahl matter was a pathetic despicable UN-AMERICAN ACT!

CUOMO: A CROOK!

In 2010, Andrew Cuomo was elected Governor and rode into Albany as a White Knight promising to clean up New York's "culture of corruption". Many legislators and others, mainly Democrats from New York City, had acted improperly, had been handcuffed, wire tapped, and/or charged or convicted of serious crimes (Spitzer (Client #9), Paterson, Weiner (Carlos Danger), Hevesi, Rangel, Kruger, Smith, Espada, Sampson, etc.). However, as Governor, Cuomo did little on corruption until July 2, 2013 when he created a new "Moreland Commission". This bipartisan committee included ten currently serving District Attorney's and many other current and former law enforcement officials. Cuomo said at that time and repeatedly that the Moreland Commission would be "independent" and that there would be no restrictions on its investigations. Cuomo had a news conference on July 3, 2013 at the Capital and then barnstormed the State making media appearances in Binghamton, Buffalo and Long Island to promote his new crime fighting commission. The Moreland Commission was given an 18 month term. On March 29, 2014, in a 63 second comment, Cuomo announced that he was abruptly shutting down the Moreland Commission. Why?

The reason behind the abrupt demise of the Moreland Commission was that it in good faith attempted to investigate Cuomo's friends and political allies for corruption. Larry Schwartz, the Governor's chief aide, ordered the Commission to withdraw its subpoenas issued to "Buying Time" and to the "Real Estate Board of New York" ("roll it back"). Cuomo had spent millions of dollars advertising with Buying Time. The Real Estate Board of New York was composed of Cuomo's largest campaign donors. Schwartz also ordered that the "Committee to save New York", which had spent millions of dollars promoting the Cuomo agenda, be removed from the Commission's preliminary report. The Governor was personally deeply involved in improperly interfering with the Moreland Commission.

On July 2, 2013, Attorney General Eric Schneiderman deputized and swore in the members of the Moreland Commission as Deputy Assistant Attorneys General. This made that commis-

sion a "law enforcement body" with statutory duties. Therefore, any attempt to stop the Moreland Commission from investigating crime is either an obstruction of justice and/or an obstruction of governmental administration (see New York State Penal Law, etc.). What if a State Senator told a local District Attorney or a Deputy Assistant Attorney General to pull back a subpoena to his friend or campaign contributor? Both that act and Cuomo's subpoena curtailing actions of the Moreland Commission are illegal and wrong!

After the demise of the Moreland Commission, Mr. Preet Bharara, the U.S. Attorney for the Southern District, seized the Moreland Commissions records and issued subpoenas to the members and administrators of that Commission. Mr. Bharara's staff boxed up and carted off the Moreland Commission files. He ordered Mr. Cuomo's office to preserve records related to its own involvement with the panel. Bharara convened a criminal Federal Grand Jury to look into Cuomo's actions with the Moreland Commission. Thus, Cuomo's anti public corruption commission, and himself personally, are subject to a corruption investigation by the U.S. Attorney. The political interference by Cuomo was so blatant that several prestigious members of the Moreland Commission wanted to resign. Other Committee members wanted to write a minority report. However, they were not allowed to do so.

Because of the negative publicity from shutting down the Moreland Commission, Cuomo instructed his aides to contact many members of said commission. They were asked to issue statements praising Cuomo and the work of the Moreland Commission. In a sharply worded letter from Mr. Bharara, Cuomo was warned that said action could constitute "WITNESS TAMPERING" and/or "OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE". Cuomo's actions before and after the demise of the Moreland Commission are further being investigated by a U.S. Grand Jury.

Mr. Cuomo should now release all of his internal communications regarding the Moreland Commission. It certainly appears that Andrew Cuomo is corrupt. He shut down the Moreland Commission to cover up his improper and illegal interference with that anti corruption commission. Also, he acted to protect himself, his friends, and his campaign contributors from an appropriate criminal investigation. One can

only guess what the Moreland Commission would have found about Cuomo's illegal conduct. Unfortunately, we have a crook in the Governor's mansion!

POLITICAL TIDBITS:

RANDOM THOUGHTS ON LOCAL AND STATE POLITICAL ISSUES

ASSEMBLYMAN JOE MORELLE did not run again for Monroe County Democratic Chairman. Although we don't agree with him on most political issues, Joe has never broken his word. He is a "class act"! — Next year, **ELECTION 2015** is a "Super Bowl" political year with: County Executive, District Attorney, 4 Supreme Court Justices, a Family Court Judge, all Monroe County Legislators, and most town races on the ballot. — **CUOMO** is conducting a \$150 million "fraud" by his START-UP NY television campaign. We are 50th in the Nation in being "business friendly". Therefore, Cuomo is really spending the taxpayer's money for his re-election campaign. — After 41 years on T.V., **RICH FUNKE** is very well known. Recently a popular local Mayor took Rich around his Village to introduce him. Everyone knew Mr. Funke, not so much the Mayor. — **ROB ASTORINO** with his Conservative values and his Westchester County administrative experience is the only hope to return New York to its former status as the Empire State. Rob is a great candidate and he is carrying our Conservative flag with honor. — The very political criminal charges against **BOB WIESNER** may and should be dismissed. Then, hopefully we can "perp walk" A.G. Schneiderman down Main Street?

52nd ANNUAL M.C.C.P. DINNER

On Friday, May 16, 2014, the Monroe County Conservative Party had its annual dinner at the Rochester Riverside Convention Center. There we had a record 531 paid attendees. Republican-Conservative gubernatorial candidate, Rob Astorino, gave a great speech. As is our 35 year tradition over 200 candidates, elected officials, and friends were introduced. Dean Fero graciously accepted our most prestigious honor: the Roger J. Robach Conservative of the Year award. Our dinner journal had a record 97 pages of advertisements from our supporters and friends. The 52nd annual dinner was a great event! Next year our 53rd annual dinner will be on Friday, May 15, 2015.

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ELECTION 2014

This year the Monroe County Conservative Party has endorsed 35 well qualified and conservatively oriented candidates for public office. However, many of our candidates (Justice John Owens, Joe Robach, etc.) are unopposed. The key "contested races" this year will be Rob Astorino for Governor, Rich Funke for State Senate, Mark Assini for Congress, Peter Lawrence for Assembly, and Dorothy Styk for Monroe County Legislator. Rob Astorino is the last hope to save New York State from a corrupt Liberal Andrew Cuomo. However, with UNINFORMED AND/OR

PUBLIC BENEFIT DEPENDENT VOTERS, mainly in New York City, Rob's race will be difficult. Mr. Funke's race is very important because if the Republicans lose the State Senate the scandal ridden Democrats from New York City will act aggressively against the interests of Monroe County (higher taxes, more spending, public campaign financing, job killing minimum wage, etc.). Mark Assini is running an aggressive race for Congress against nasty Liberal Louise Slaughter. There are a limited number of important contested races this year. However, hopefully on November 4th you can vote for all our good candidates on Row C.

NEWSLETTER

Conservative Party News, the Conservative newsletter of Monroe County, was started in May of 1989. It is published twice yearly, in May and October. Conservative Party News is provided free to all registered Conservatives in Monroe County, all Conservative endorsed candidates and Elected Officials. It is also sent to key contacts throughout Monroe County and New York State (approximately 10,000 recipients). The purposes of our newsletter are three-fold: To explain the Conservative philosophy, to provide the enrolled Conservative with timely, accurate, relevant political news, and to promote (help elect) our endorsed candidates. We hope you enjoy this issue.