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## August Meeting:

**Thursday, August 20, 2009**

**6:30 PM Social; 7:00 PM Meeting**

**Speaker : County Commissioner Matt Shaheen**

Matt Shaheen serves as County Commissioner for Precinct 1, representing Plano and Frisco on the Collin County Commissioners Court. Mr. Shaheen's background is in Technology and Management Consulting with a history of delivering results. Married for fifteen years, Matt and his wife Robyn have three children – Celia, Abby, and Sam. A resident of Plano where he attends Prestonwood Baptist Church, Matt has more than 19 years of professional experience, including 10 years at EDS.



A native of Virginia, Mr. Shaheen received his Bachelor's degree from Randolph-Macon College. Mr. Shaheen also holds a Master's degree from SMU.

Matt is a former member of the CCRMC.

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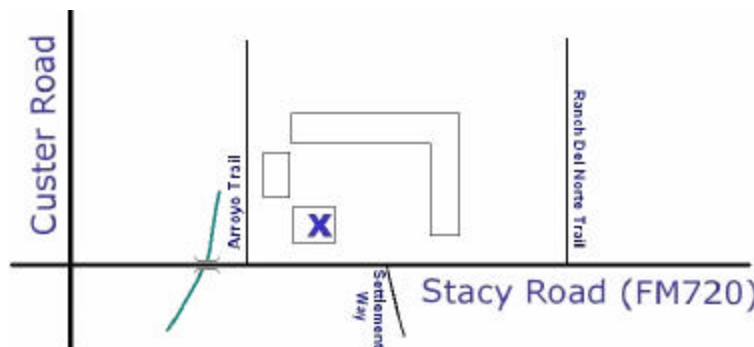
- Aug. 20—CCRMC Meeting  
County Commissioner Matt Shaheen
- Sept. 17—CCRMC Meeting  
Judge Wheless, Collin County Court of Appeals
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U.S. Senator, Kay Bailey Hutchison
- Nov. 19—CCRMC Meeting  
U.S. Congressman, Sam Johnson
- Dec. 17—CCRMC Meeting  
Texas Senator, Florence Shapiro

## Special Thanks to—

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## Directions to HQs @ 8416 Stacy Road, McKinney

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## Message From the Prez

Roger Bolin  
President, CCRMC

Hi Fellow Republican Gentlemen;

I wanted to discuss the current health care issues. But, I decided to include the text of Michael Steele Chairman, Republican National Committee. President Obama told the American people in his weekend address he wanted to "start dispelling the outlandish rumors" about the Democrats' risky health care experiment.

I couldn't agree more with the President. There is no place for outlandish rumor or outrageous rhetoric in the debate for the affordable and accessible health care reform we all want.

Below are some facts that will help you counter the dishonest rhetoric Obama, Nancy Pelosi, Harry Reid and liberal special interest groups are disseminating in their attempt to silence dissent:

- **Rhetoric:** *President Obama Promises Americans Can Keep Their Current Health Care Coverage.* "You know, the interesting thing is we've actually been very clear on what we want. I've said I want to make sure if you have health care you are going to keep it..." (PBS's "The Newshour With Jim Lehrer," 7/20/09)
- **FACT:** *Analysis Shows Over 88 Million People To Lose Current Insurance Under Government Health Care Takeover.* "Under current law, there will be about 158.1 million people who are covered under an employer plan as workers, dependents or early retirees in 2011. If the act were fully implemented in that year, about 88.1 million workers would shift from private employer insurance to the public plan." (John Shelis, Vice President, Lewin Group, "[Analysis Of The July 15 Draft Of The American Affordable Health Choices Act Of 2009](#)," 7/17/09)
- **Rhetoric:** *President Obama Pledges Americans Can Keep Their Doctor.* "If you like your plan and you like your doctor, you won't have to do a thing. You keep your plan. You keep your doctor...We're not going to mess with it." ([President Barack Obama, Remarks At White House Press Conference](#), The White House, 6/23/09)
- **FACT:** *Mayo Clinic Says Government-Run Health Care Will Force Doctors To Drop Patients.* "[L]awmakers are on track to approve across-the-board federal payment reductions of \$155 billion over 10 years for hospitals ... Mayo and similar health systems object to the sweeping cuts. 'Across-the-board cuts will be harmful to everyone and we think it is particularly bad to penalize the high-value organizations,' said Jeff Korsmo, executive director of the Mayo Clinic Health Policy Center. 'We will have to violate our values in order to stay in business and reduce our access to government patients.'" (Phil Galewitz, "Model Health Systems Press Case For Medicare Fix In Reform," [Kaiser Health News](#), 7/20/09)
- **Rhetoric:** *President Obama Promises No Additional Taxes On Middle Class.* "What I've said is, and I have stuck to this point, I don't want to see additional tax burdens on people making \$250,000 a year or less." (NBC's "Today Show," 7/21/09)
- **FACT:** *Democrats' Plan Imposes 2.5% Tax On Uninsured Individuals.* "The penalty assessed on people who would be subject to the mandate but did not obtain insurance would equal 2.5 percent of the difference between their adjusted gross income (modified to include tax-exempt interest and certain other sources of income) and the tax filing threshold ..." (Douglas W. Elmendorf, "Preliminary Analysis Of The Insurance Coverage Specifications Provided By The House Tri-Committee Group," [Letter To Chairman Rangel](#), 7/17/09)

The Republicans want an honest and open debate about how to reform health care, but it is the Democrats who do not want to have a legitimate discussion on the issues. Nancy Pelosi, Harry Reid and their liberal special interest cronies are resorting to calling concerned citizens who have questions about their health care schemes "astroturf," "un-American," and even "political terrorists."

It's time for the President to practice what he preached on the campaign trail and respect all voices in the health care debate.

Warmest Republican Regards,  
Roger



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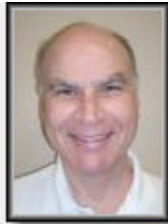
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## Message From VP Newsletter Jim Bortzfield

### My August Rant—I don't want to hear the lies by email (LBE)

I would first like to start on top of my soap-box which has been raised up by my Republican brothers passing emails without the slightest notion of truth. Quoting Ed Wallace, "No wonder America is so angry: So much misinformation is out there masquerading as news. Meant for public consumption, it's designed to obfuscate the issues, undermine the opposition and anger the public at large. It wouldn't be so bad if this propaganda weren't being delivered straight-faced, as if it were real news. This of course makes us ask why America has reached the point where falsehoods designed to inflame someone's passions and prejudices seem to be so many news shows' highlight of the day." He goes on to say that paranoia must be big business. Yeah, ratings and money—the media's version of Wall Street.

**"News" — By and For Twits—**"The recent mania for news is based solely on what someone posts as news on Twitter (or a blog). It is stunning how many individuals are actually getting stories with no basis in reality on the air. What is it about the new electronic age; are news producers now so naïve that they're treating stories as legitimate news simply because they were posted on some new kind of electronic communication device?"

He goes on, "A great case in point. A few weeks ago someone on Twitter claimed that actor Jeff Goldblum had fallen off a cliff and died while filming a movie in New Zealand. Within a few hours someone else "tweeted" that Goldblum's death had been verified by the New Zealand police department. Well, with that "verification" of the actor's untimely death, that made the story big enough to end up on *Google News*, not to mention one TV station that ran that story as if it had really happened."

"Seeing how much fun that was, by the end of the next week others on Twitter had reported Harrison Ford's untimely demise (killed in a yachting accident in St. Tropez), George Clooney's death in an airplane accident in Colorado, and Miley Cyrus's tragic fatal car accident. Natalie Portman, ostensibly distraught over Goldblum's death, was Tweeted as having fallen off the very same New Zealand cliff he had."

Now, if someone called in to the *Dallas News* or the *Star-Telegram* or any local TV station a tip that Jeff Goldblum had died, it would not automatically be put into print or aired on the nightly news. Journalistic standards demand that a story be verified by at least one legitimate source first. And a second anonymous joker calling in and saying the New Zealand police verified the story would not be considered legitimate. But some news organizations actually accepted the story as fact – just because it was on Twitter. No wonder so many individuals today have no clue what's going on in the real world.

We are so preoccupied with the noise, we can't hear the music. So, here is some things I want to clear up: There is no bill to make us register guns to the IRS and pay taxes. There is no government conspiracy to peek into your computer and copy the hard disk even though Fox "fictional entertainer" Glenn Beck said so. Obama was born in Hawaii, get over it. Mars will not appear the same size as the moon in the sky in August. Mars will not be the closest ever in our lifetime (it was in 2006 though). You could travel legally to Pakistan in 1980-82 with an American passport (in fact, I had friends who did). Microsoft will not send you money because you signed a chain email. Pelosi's husband does not work for a company harvesting pineapples in Guam (he is a big time real estate investor) and so that is not the reason Guam was excluded from the minimum pay increase.

Obama truths. He might have been adopted in Indonesia as Barry Soto. Nobody seems to know the legal impact of a minor temporarily adopted, maybe without paperwork, with a citizenship change then returned to the U.S. and if that affects being a natural born citizen.

His health care plan will cost trillions, work like Medicare, kill our private plans and basically socialize medicine. He did sign an executive order in Feb. to shred military gun range brass and then the top bid to buy it was from China 1/6 the price that American ammo manufacturers had been paying. Obama knows he can't do away with guns or register them so his specific direction is to make ammo more expensive to manufacture and tax the hell out of so that ammo makers fold. Obama's administration continued Bush's administration in the sloppy tracking of bailout money probably to the benefit of their buddies. His stimulus plan included a \$800 million pay provision for his buddies at ACORN that got him elected.

I tired with the Democrats who spent six or seven years of two W. Bush administrations who would say he was not elected legally in about any discussion. Now, it is even worse that Republicans keep whining about Obama's birth certificate in spite of a newspaper announcement of his birth and the Secretary of State in Hawaii providing a statement that the Certificate was real. Can we just move on and work on how bad a President he is?

All I am saying is to stop circulating lies because it makes so much noise that real issues don't get dealt with, in fact, it is a catalyst to hide them. Journalistic standards—could that be an oxymoron?

The following story has been validated by me personally as actually appearing in Pravda, a Russian newspaper, on April 27, 2009. It is an opinion, but I thought it had a lot of insight for an outsider looking over at the U.S. I don't agree with everything in this piece but it does rattle my nerves that it is highly accurate if I can get my emotions out of defending us. Although the Soviet Communist owned Pravda folded in 1991 along with Communism, a tabloid style paper with the same name was started in 1999. It is amazing to me that from the outside it is clear that America is in trouble.



## American capitalism gone with a whimper — the American descent into Marxism.

It must be said, that like the breaking of a great dam, the American descent into Marxism is happening with breath taking speed, against the back drop of a passive, hapless sheep, excuse me dear reader, I meant people.

True, the situation has been well prepared on and off for the past century, especially the past twenty years. The initial testing grounds was conducted upon our Holy Russia and a bloody test it was. But we Russians would not just roll over and give up our freedoms and our souls, no matter how much money Wall Street poured into the fists of the Marxists.

Those lessons were taken and used to properly prepare the American populace for the surrender of their freedoms and souls, to the whims of their elites and betters.

First, the population was dumbed down through a politicized and substandard education system based on pop culture, rather than the classics. Americans know more about their favorite TV dramas than the drama in DC that directly affects their lives. They care more for their "right" to choke down a McDonalds burger or a Burger King burger than for their constitutional rights. Then they turn around and lecture us about our rights and about our "democracy". Pride blinds the foolish.

Then their faith in God was destroyed, until their churches, all tens of thousands of different "branches and denominations" were for the most part little more than Sunday circuses and their televangelists and top Protestant mega preachers were more than happy to sell out their souls and flocks to be on the "winning" side of one pseudo Marxist politician or another. Their flocks may complain, but when explained that they would be on the "winning" side, their flocks were ever so quick to reject Christ in hopes for earthly power. Even our Holy Orthodox churches are scandalously liberalized in America.

The final collapse has come with the election of Barack Obama. His speed in the past three months has been truly impressive. His spending and money printing has been a record setting, not just in America's short history but in the world. If this keeps up for more than another year, and there is no sign that it will not, America at best will resemble the Weimar Republic and at worst Zimbabwe.

These past two weeks have been the most breath taking of all. First came the announcement of a planned redesign of the American Byzantine tax system, by the very thieves who used it to bankroll their thefts, loses and swindles of hundreds of billions of dollars. These make our Russian oligarchs look little more than ordinary street thugs, in comparison. Yes, the Americans have beat our own thieves in the shear volumes. Should we congratulate them?

These men, of course, are not an elected panel but made up of appointees picked from the very financial oligarchs and their henchmen who are now gorging themselves on trillions of Ameri-

can dollars, in one bailout after another. They are also usurping the rights, duties and powers of the American congress (parliament). Again, congress has put up little more than a whimper to their masters.

Then came Barack Obama's command that GM's (General Motors) president step down from leadership of his company. That is correct, dear reader, **in the land of "pure" free markets, the American President now has the power, the self given power, to fire CEOs** and we can assume other employees of private companies, at will. Come hither, go dither, the centurion commands his minions.

So it should be no surprise, that the American president has followed this up with a "bold" move of declaring that he and another group of unelected, chosen stooges will now redesign the entire automotive industry and will even be the guarantor of automobile policies. I am sure that if given the chance, they would happily try and redesign it for the whole of the world, too. Prime Minister Putin, less than two months ago, warned Obama and UK's Blair, not to follow the path to Marxism, it only leads to disaster. Apparently, even though we suffered 70 years of this Western sponsored horror show, we know nothing as foolish, drunken Russians, so let our "wise" Anglo-Saxon fools find out the folly of their own pride.

Again, the American public has taken this with barely a whimper...but a "freeman" whimper.

So, should it be any surprise to discover that the Democrat controlled Congress of America is working on passing a new regulations that would give the American Treasury department the power to set "fair" maximum salaries, evaluate performance and control how private companies give out pay raises and bonuses?

Senator Barney Frank, a social pervert basking in his homosexuality (of course, amongst the modern, enlightened American societal norm, as well as that of the general West, homosexuality is not only not a looked down upon life choice, but is often praised as a virtue) and his Marxist enlightenment, has led this effort. He stresses that this only affects companies that receive government monies, but it is retroactive and taken to a logical extreme, this would include any company or industry that has ever received a tax break or incentive.

The Russian owners of American companies and industries should look thoughtfully at this and the option of closing their facilities down and fleeing the land of the Red as fast as possible. In other words, divest while there is still value left. The proud American will go down into his slavery without a fight, beating his hest and proclaiming to the world, how free he really is.

The world will only snicker.

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