

Dear Fellow Baconators,

Melanie is back from Missouri and other Great Plains locales. She no longer complains about our local “hot” weather. (Tulsa was a mere 107°F.)

We were also graced by the return of Nancy Abruzzo! She is still recovering from a bum foot but is on the mend. Here’s to a quick recovery and the beginning of a better summer for her.

Tief presented some flowers to Melanie, who gave Tief a wonderful introduction at her birthday party/fundraiser hosted by Giti and Roland Underhill. It was a very successful event and Tief delivered a longer and powerful new speech.

Tief also thanked Tien for hosting a fundraiser/election integrity presentation two weeks prior. It was a packed house -- the dinner was fantastic, and the presentation was an eye opener.

Her campaign for a US House seat moves to Crescent City in Del Norte County August 3 – 6. She will attend a local meet-and-greet at 3:00 pm Sunday. That will make it a very long weekend, but she really enjoys her interactions with residents of California’s northern counties.

Before leaving for another campaign obligation, Tief mentioned the upcoming “Debate Watch Party” hosted by the Marin Election Integrity Committee at the Loch Lomond Yacht Club on August 23rd from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm. The \$20 cover charge includes “finger food” and drinks will be available at the no-host bar. This will be a fun event to recruit “America First” candidates for Marin GOP central committee seats from southern Marin. For reservations go to:

<https://ourmarin.org/pay/cover-fee/>

Candidates for the Marin GOP central committee will be on the ballot in March 2024. If you want to learn more contact Frank Drouillard at f.drouillard@icloud.com or (415)696-8912.

Before introducing Jack Marshall, Mel mentioned how much crap she received from the cops in Tulsa over California’s gun laws. (She works with them on cold cases.) They think we’re nuts!

Jack then spoke about the California Rifle & Pistol Association (CRPA), which is one of the oldest Second Amendment organizations in the state and the country. Jack started the Marin chapter of the CRPA. In addition to promoting 2nd Amendment rights, gun safety and gun training, he helps people obtain a CCW from Marin County with a special focus on the women. There is no better “equalizer” for our ladies!

Generally speaking, it costs \$700 to \$800 to obtain a CCW in Marin County. That includes a \$150 psychological evaluation, a \$59 multichoice test, \$300 for “zip” training and other fees.

The Marin CRPA can be reached on the web at <https://MarinCRPA.com/>, or by email at <mailto:MarinCRPA@gmail.com>, or via Facebook or X (Twitter) at @MarinCRPA. Check ‘em out!

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Mel then relayed a disturbing report on Lee Gerner Park, i.e., "Camp Compassion." WE LOST! Behind closed doors the City extended residency to new grifters for another 2 years.

She then shared a report from Toni Shroyer about the illegal RV parkers along Binford Road. Essentially, it's been a 6-week stalemate where nothing has been done to protect the preserve or ensure public safety. Eric Lucan announced that the BOS would take up the issue at their August 27th meeting. Check their website for the time, it may not be the normal 9:00 am.

Toni asks that people keep emailing Sheriff Jaime Scardina to demand that he enforce our laws regarding illicit drug sales and use as well as illegal parking.

Robbie Powelson sued San Rafael to keep the Caltrans encampment. How does that benefit the homeless or the hard working people of Marin County that fund help for the homeless?

It was noted the Gov. Gavin Newsom has essentially admitted his failure on the homeless problem by sending staff to Austin, TX to see how they had success.

Here's a hint: no homeless budget → no homeless problem. Don't give them free stuff and they won't hang around your city! (The same goes for free needles and illegal drug injection sites.)

Mel then mentioned that a Republican was making another run for Novato City Council, but this time with a more serious effort than the last time he ran. I believe she said Jim Patray(sp?) has hired Tad Burt (sp?) to run for District 2. I think she means another District since Andy Podshadley ran for District 2 last November. Maybe District 1 against Wernick? She may have been light-headed because she then called for a break for dinner.

Mmm, meatloaf with mashed potatoes and a wonderful tomato salad!

When the meeting resumed, a discussion about the upcoming CA GOP convention in Anaheim was launched. Both DeSantis and Trump will speak. Much was said that I didn't record because I was still stuffing my face.

That activity ended when Mel described an incident at Dr. Insomniac's in which a local crazy homeless person treated the outdoor crowd with a display of public defecation at their table.

Tina Menard likes to chide all her liberal friends that they voted for this nonsense. Mel said that the crazy is now moving to Novato. Tommas Pizzo let everyone know that the owner of Dr. Insomniac's is conservative. (We should patronize him more often!)

Mel warned about anti-Semitic stickers being placed around Marin County. They're unjustly being attributed to conservatives and supporters of RFK, Jr. False flag operation? Keep your eyes open, we need to stop these jerks and call them out!

Tina went on to mention that Marin County DA Julie Frugoli will be a guest speaker at the August regular meeting of the Marin GOP on August 31st (last Thursday of the month). That

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announcement piqued the interest of several Bacon attendees, especially those that followed the case for years and worked hard to obtain justice for the destruction of the Junipero Serra statue on Catholic Church property.

Lori Frugoli touts her conservative chops as not being a Soros DA. Now that's a phony measure! Her conservative convictions are so strong that she runs as a Democrat just to get elected. Is it any wonder that she serves like a Democrat to stay in office?

Derrick Main pointed out that we need the Rudy Giuliani approach to fighting crime – enforce the “quality of life laws” to stop nuisance crimes like public defecation and the bigger crimes such as robbery will subside as well. Make it clear that nonsense won't be tolerated here!

The question of “what happened to Novato Police Chief Beth Johnson” was again asked. People that may know stayed mum. She was well liked by NPD officers and did much to advance the city's SRO program. The \$57K settlement makes the mystery even deeper. What can be done to make sure that another fine chief won't be removed in a similar mysterious manner?

Kim O'Brien mentioned a \$500 theft at Marshall's. Another attendee (Janine Pera?) described the mayhem by a mob of teenagers at Kohls that were trashing the place. When did this become acceptable behavior?

Janine Pera then talked about the Mike McGuire event she attended. She described it as a very well run meeting. It was attended by many, including a local fire chief and Sheriff Jaime Scardina. They talked about many issues, including rent control and the government COVID response. Mike admitted that response was harmful to kids, which received applause. He brought the microphone to attendees that wanted to speak and never cut them off. It appeared he listened to what they were saying, too.

Mia Camera then introduced her young friend Elisabetta from Arizona and Petaluma. Hello!

Jack asked everyone to push back on anti-gun phrases used by 2nd Amendment opponents. He used the analogy that “Gun Violence” is like arguing “Drunk Car” in that it pins the bad behavior on an object instead of the person committing the act. Use “Gun Abuse” instead.

One other thing – an AR-15 is not an “assault rifle.” It's an Armalite model 15 that does not meet the definition of an assault rifle, which is a fully automatic weapon.

Janine gave a brief update on her attendance at an educator's panel on LGBTQ+ open to the public. She continues to press her case for honesty from school officials.

Next meeting at Bacon on Wednesday August 16, 2023, at 6:00 pm.

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