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ATTEND THE NOVEMBER 7TH MEETING WEDNESDAY AT 7PM

**Royal Oaks Country Club
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We know what the Farmers Branch and Irving Police Departments are doing to limit the impact of illegal immigration on their cities, but just what is Dallas doing?

Dallas Assistant Chief of Police, Ron Waldrop of the Criminal Investigations Bureau will be our speaker at this meeting. He will bring to us the current policies of the city of Dallas relating to illegals. Among those policies will be how Dallas looks at the 287(g) and Criminal Alien Program - CAP.

This meeting promises to be very informative and very interesting.

Please come and bring someone with you.

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**NO DISAPPOINTMENT
JUST STRAIGHT TALK**

I know you were not disappointed to hear Mike Cutler in October. He always hits the ball out of the ballpark.

While I wasn't able to be at the meeting due to the illness of my daughter, I have viewed the video. The man is amazing with his knowledge and the clarity of his language. One thing that impressed me so much is how often he reminded the audience that *we are the people, we are the government and we need to remind those whom we have elected of that fact.* He charged us with apathy over the years - and we know this is true.

Because of that apathy, we are fighting many years of neglect on the part of our government. We didn't hold their feet to the fire to enforce the laws in the 1986 Immigration Reform and Control Act. But, in June of this year, We the People did stand up and we had a victory with the defeat of the Senate amnesty bill.

We must continue to be diligent, engaged and informed. Mike Cutler reminded us that we needed to be on the phones more often than not, reminding our elected officials that we want our borders enforced and silly decisions such as expanding the Visa Waiver Act should never be.

Those in Congress who want to give our government away for money, votes and power will continue to beat us over the head with trying to reward lawbreakers. We must not let it be.

Holocaust survivor Elie Wiesel stated:

"There may be times when we are powerless to prevent injustice, but there must never be a time when we fail to protest."

DREAM Act:

What can be said about the defeat of the DREAM Act except **WHOOPEE!**

How many more times do we have to tell the Senate that we do not want an amnesty, no matter what packaging it comes in?

Of course we are pleased as punch that Senator Cornyn did what was right, but very displeased that Senator Hutchison thought she had to be the savior of a bill that We the People absolutely did not want! One wonders what was behind her thinking.

Housekeeping

Election of 2008 officers will be held at our November 7th meeting. The nominating committee will present a list of candidates. Candidates will be accepted from the floor.

Volunteer Media/Publicity Person Needed. Contact Lois Neal at 972.233.0126.

Jean Towell
President

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Democracy is not a spectator sport!

Lead, follow or get out of the way!

Mike Cutler

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Pro America Rallies

Saturdays

Nov 17, 2007 - Irving

location to be announced

Dec 15, 2007

CFIR RALLY RULES of Conduct

Please respect our rules. We had people who contacted us after the rally who are willing to attend these rallies, but because of some signs and items that were worn, they were unsure about joining us.

Conduct yourself with dignity.

No offensive language either verbally or on signs.

No offensive gestures even when given offensive gestures.

No yelling provocative comments.

Peaceful - do not confront those who support illegal immigration and not obeying the Law.

Do not block traffic anywhere or anytime.

Bring USA FLAGS

SUGGESTIONS FOR SIGNS

Secure our Borders

Enforce Existing Laws

Build the Fence Now - It's the Law

Fine Employers who hire illegal aliens

Stop the Invasion

We Support LEGAL immigration

Listen to the American People

Call Senators Now

NO AMNESTY/NO GUEST WORKER

English as Official Language
 No Birthright Citizenship
 No Welfare Benefits
 We support the Police

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**Carter Files Bill To Crack Down On Immigration
 US Representative from Round Rock
 Files Immigration Bill**

US Congressman and former Williamson County District Judge John Carter has filed HR 3851, the Non-Citizen Enforcement Act. Carter's office says this bill is the first in a series of four collectively titled the Secure America For Everyone (SAFE) Initiative.

Congressman Carter says past immigration bills have failed because they tried to tackle too many issues at the same time. "Congress has tried time and time again to enact immigration reform. Unfortunately, the legislation that has been put forth in the past has been too comprehensive and complicated to actually implement and enforce," Congressman Carter said today.

The Non-Citizen Enforcement Act requires:

- ◆ That the current immigration laws be enforced, and renews the power given to every law enforcement agency to enforce those laws.
- ◆ The bill also requires the Secretary of Homeland Security to post all warrants for absconding illegal aliens on the National Crime Information Center (NCIC). In addition,
- ◆ The bill makes it a criminal offense rather than a civil misdemeanor to be in the United States illegally.
- ◆ The act also calls for additional federal funding to reimburse local city and county agencies for the cost of investigation, apprehension and detention of illegal immigrants.
- ◆ Carter's bill also requires the Department of Homeland Security to add an additional 2,000 border patrol agents every year until the Secretary of Homeland Security certifies that the borders have been successfully secured.

Austin - 590 KLBJ NEWS RADIO

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The United States shall guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican Form of Government, and shall protect each of them against Invasion. . . against domestic Violence.

Article 4, Section 4 - U.S. Constitution

It's critical for the federal government to regain the confidence of the American people that it is serious about securing the border and enforcing our laws.

This funding, (an amendment to the FY 2008 Defense Appropriations Bill that will provide \$3 billion aimed directly at protecting the border and enforcing existing immigration laws) will allow for more boots on the ground, more effective technology such as cameras and motion sensors, and stronger interior enforcement, including at the workplace.

It is a needed and long overdue measure to secure our borders, regain public confidence and help our state and local officials who have been struggling to address this ever-growing problem." --U.S. Senator John Cornyn

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GOOD NEWS

FAIR LEGISLATIVE UPDATE 10-22-07

The Senate adopted by unanimous consent an amendment offered to the CJS Appropriations Bill by Senator Jeff Sessions (R-AL) authorizing \$10 million in funding to extend Operation Streamline (S.A. 3283). Operation Streamline is a zero-tolerance program that targets illegal aliens for immediate prosecution upon apprehension at or near the border.



Apprehended aliens are jailed for up to 180 days, unless humanitarian concerns weigh against prosecution and the deportation process is immediately initiated.

After the program was put into effect in December 2006, the Yuma, Arizona sector saw nearly 1200 prosecutions in the first 9 months. Thereafter, border apprehensions decreased by 70 percent. Operation Streamline had earlier been utilized to take control of the border in the vicinity of Del Rio, Texas. (U.S. Customs and Border Protection Press release, July 24, 2007).

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CONSERVATIVE VICTORIES, SPECIFICALLY WITH REGARD TO ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION AND BORDER SECURITY - EAGLE FORUM

- ◆ The Comprehensive Immigration Reform Act of 2007 ([S. 1639](#)), or better known as the Kyl-Kennedy amnesty bill, which would have granted legal status to an estimated 20 million illegal immigrants in the

U.S., died in the Senate after three weeks of debate when it failed to gain cloture on the motion to proceed to final passage. The bill failed by a vote of [53 to 46](#).

- ◆ Rep. Duncan Hunter (R-CA) offered an amendment to the FY2008 Transportations Appropriations bill ([H.R. 3074](#)) to prohibit the use of funds to participate in a working group pursuant to the Security & Prosperity Partnership (SPP), including the creating of the NAFTA Super Highway. The amendment passed overwhelmingly by a vote of [362 to 63](#).
- ◆ Rep. Phil Gingrey (R-GA) offered an amendment to the 2008 Dept. of Labor, Health & Human Services & Education Appropriations bill ([H.R. 3043](#)) to prohibit the use of funds by the SSA to administer Social Security benefit payments, under any agreement between the U.S. and Mexico establishing totalization arrangements between the two countries. The amendment passed by a vote of [254 to 168](#).
- ◆ The U.S. Border Patrol Guard Case has recently gained increased attention on Capitol Hill. On July 17th, the Senate held a [hearing](#) to further investigate the case of convicted border agents, Ignacio Ramos and Jose Compean, where U.S. Prosecutor Johnny Sutton testified. The House held its own [hearing](#) to examine the case on July 31st. In addition to these hearings, Rep. Duncan Hunter has introduced a bill ([H.R. 563](#)) which would express the sense of Congress that the border agents should be pardoned. That bill currently has over 100 cosponsors

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NEW US VISAS OFFERED TO CRIME VICTIMS
ROXANA HEGEMAN, AP, OCTOBER 19, 2007 - EDITED
WICHITA, KANSAS

Illegal immigrants who are victims of violent crimes in the U.S. can now apply for special visas, seven years after Congress offered protection against deportation to those who cooperate with law enforcement agencies.

. . .The 2000 Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act established the visa (called the “U” visa) to encourage illegal immigrants to report crimes against them in return for the right to remain in the United States and eventually apply for permanent residency.

The law authorized up to 10,000 “U” visas every year. The visas are good for up to four years and visa holders who are in the U.S. continuously for three years can apply for permanent residency.

. . .Since the law was passed, 8,301 petitioners and their families have been granted interim relief from deportation while awaiting publication of the “U” visa rules. They now have 180 days to apply for the special visas.

The long delay in implementing the “U” visa is due to the agency drafting the rules for the issuance of the visas before it became a division under the then-new Department of Homeland Security. Rules had to be reviewed again and the Department of Justice had concerns.

Mark Krikorian, executive director of the Center for Immigration Studies, said “I would much prefer that we used it as a temporary visa, not an immigrant visa...something that allowed a person to testify but didn’t give the the jackpot of a green card.”

Ed Hayes, the Kansas director of the Minuteman Civil Defense Corps . . . argues that there are many more American victims of crimes committed by illegal immigrants than illegal immigrants who are crime victims.

“If they are here illegally, they broke the law,” Hayes said, “if they become a victim, I am sorry for them, they should testify, then go home.”

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“I don’t think it is going to help them trust law enforcement more,” she said. The fear is being stirred up everywhere—the fear of racial profiling, the rumors the raids. I have people for the first time coming into my office and saying they are giving up and leaving.”

Angela Ferguson, immigration attorney in Kansas City.

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LAW ENFORCERS STRUGGLE WITH ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT CRIME - EDITED

DAVE MONTGOMERY - MCCLATHY NEWSPAPERS
AUGUST 31, 2007

- ◆ Criminal aliens, as the federal government classifies them, constitute more than a fourth of the inmates in federal prisons.
- ◆ Those still at large often fall between the cracks of an overburdened and uneven enforcement system, escaping detection and deportation.
- ◆ More than 300,000 criminal aliens are expected to be placed in state and local jails this year, according to a forecast last year by the Department of Homeland Security’s inspector general.
- ◆ Most might remain in this country after serving their

sentences because the federal government lacks the resources to identify, detain and deport them, the audit said.

Immigration and Customs Enforcement, a branch of the Department of Homeland Security, is charged with finding and removing criminal aliens. But ICE officials say they're stretched thin and often hampered by state and local sanctuary policies that limit cooperation.

The police departments of eight major cities — including Houston, Los Angeles, New York, Seattle and Miami-Dade — said in a joint statement last year that local police can't "even begin to consider dedicating limited local resources to immigration enforcement" until the federal government seals the border.

At the other end of the spectrum are state and local law-enforcement agencies that essentially team up with the federal government to enforce immigration laws under a program known as 287g. The officers undergo federal training and can tap into federal immigration data.

At least a half-dozen states and 26 cities are participating in the program, created by a 1996 immigration law. Pendergraph enlisted Charlotte-Mecklenburg in the program last year to respond to the growing number of undocumented offenders. Of 4,600 foreign-born inmates placed in the jail since May 2006, 2,580 have been put in removal proceedings.

(Fort Worth Star-Telegram researchers Stacy Garcia, Cathy Belcher and Marcia Melton contributed to this story)

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**CUBAN IMMIGRANTS TAKE NEW ROUTE TO U.S.
THOUSANDS MAKE LONGER, EASIER TRIP
THROUGH MEXICO - NEW YORK TIMES - EDITED**

Cortes, Cuba - Cubans are immigrating to the United States in the greatest numbers in more than a decade, and for most of them the new way to get north is first to head west - to Mexico - in a convoluted route that avoids the U.S. Coast Guard.

U.S. officials say the immigration, which has grown into a multimillion-dollar-a-year smuggling enterprise, has risen sharply because many Cubans have lost hope that Raul Castro, who took over as president from his brother Fidel Castro in 2006, will make changes that will improve their lives. Cuban authorities contend that the immigration is more economic than political and is fueled by Washington's policy of rewarding Cubans who enter the United States illegally.

In fact, unlike Mexicans, Central Americans and others heading to the southwestern border of the United States, Cubans do not have to sneak across. They just walk up to U.S. authorities at the border, benefiting from lax Mexican enforcement and relying on Washington's "wet foot, dry foot" policy, which gives them the ability to become permanent residents if they reach U.S. soil.

Safe houses have been set up along the Mexican coast to help Cubans elude Mexican authorities. One Cuban who made it to Mexico said he was impressed by how well-organized the operation was.

Some Mexicans are even getting ideas from the Cubans. A trade is developing in Cuban identity documents, and some savvy Mexican immigrants are now practicing Cuban accents and rehearsing dramatic stories they intend to tell U.S. Border Patrol agents about the horrors they have suffered in Havana.

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NUMBER OF IMMIGRANTS HITS RECORD 37.5M

STEPHEN OHLEMACHER AP - 09.12.07

WASHINGTON POST

Nearly one in five people living in the United States speaks a language at home other than English, according to new Census data that illustrate the wide-ranging effects of immigration.

The number of immigrants nationwide reached an all-time high of 37.5 million in 2006, affecting incomes and education levels in many cities across the country. But the effects have not been uniform.

In most states, immigrants have added to the number of those lacking a high-school diploma, with almost half of those from Latin America falling into that category. However at the other end of the education spectrum, Asian immigrants are raising average education levels in many states, with nearly half of them holding at least a bachelor's degree.

The data come from the American Community Survey, an annual survey of 3 million households that has replaced the Census Bureau's long-form questionnaire from the once-a-decade census. It does not distinguish between illegal immigrants and those who are in the U.S. legally.

(Mark) Mather, of the Population Reference Bureau differences analyzed the differences in education levels among immigrants from Asia and those from Latin America. Together, the groups account for about 80 percent of all immigrants.

About 48 percent of Asian immigrants held at least a bachelor's degree, compared with about 11 percent of immigrants from Latin America. Among people born in the U.S., about 27 percent were college graduates.

"Driving this are people coming from China and India," (Mark) Mather of the Population Reference Bureau said. "They are either coming with a bachelor's degree, or they are coming with visas and getting degrees once they arrive."

At the other end of the spectrum, 47 percent of adult immigrants from Latin America lacked a high school diploma, compared with 16 percent of Asian immigrants and 13 percent of people born in the U.S.

Those numbers are fueling overall increases in the number of high-school dropouts in four states: Nevada, Arizona, Colorado and Texas, said William Frey, a demographer at the Brookings Institution, a Washington think tank.

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IMMIGRATION BILLS INCREASE GLOBAL WARMING THREAT, WARMS EMINENT PHYSICIST

Each person added to U.S. population generates 23.8 tons of greenhouse gasses each year.

To the extent that pending immigration bills would increase the United States' population they would increase the Global Warming Threat says the renowned physicist, Dr. Albert A. Bartlett.

Dr. Bartlett, a member of The Board of Advisors of BALANCE, Harvard Ph.D. and currently a Professor Emeritus of Physics stated in a May 2007 article that according to a recent study, "each year each person in the United States is responsible, directly or indirectly for emission of 23.8 TONS of greenhouse gasses."

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Update on Chagas Disease

(SEE CFIR JANUARY 2007 NEWSLETTER)

BLOOD DONATIONS IN U.S. TESTING POSITIVE FOR CHAGAS' DISEASE - EDITED

ANAHEIM, Calif., Oct. 20 /PRNewswire/ -- In the ten months since the U.S. Food and Drug Administration licensed the first blood-screening test for Chagas' disease, some 241 blood donations in the United States have tested positive, indicating donor exposure to the parasite known to cause this serious and potentially fatal parasitic infection, according to data released today at the annual meeting of American Association of Blood Banks (AABB). The test is manufactured by Ortho-Clinical Diagnostics, Inc.

Also called American trypanosomiasis, Chagas' disease is an infection caused by the blood-borne parasite *Trypanosoma cruzi*, or *T. cruzi*. The disease is endemic to most countries in Central and South America, as well as Mexico. Transmission occurs through insect bites, blood transfusions, organ transplants and via infected pregnant women to children in utero. . .





According to the CDC, as many as 8 to 11 million people in Mexico, Central America and South America have Chagas' disease. (1) Most do not know they are infected. Chagas' disease can be treated successfully if detected soon after the infection occurs, but there is no cure once the disease has entered the chronic stage.


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. . blood safety experts . . . said they are investigating new cases of transmissions of Chagas' disease that may have occurred through blood transfusions and via insect bites from bugs known to carry the parasite. Such cases have been extremely rare, or have gone undocumented, in the United States.

"While we have known that Chagas' disease was present in North America, the numbers of Chagas'-positive blood donations, as well as new reports of transmission of infection to persons from bugs, are surprising," said James H. Maguire, M.D., director, International Health Division, University of Maryland School of Medicine. Maguire is the former chief of the parasitic diseases branch at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

(Updated CDC estimates as of March 2007. Earlier CDC estimates said the number of people infected with Chagas' disease worldwide ranged from 16 to 18 million. Experts suggest that the decline may be attributable, at least in part, to effective prevention and intervention programs initiated in central and south America

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Cornyn Urges DHS To Investigate Report Of Tuberculosis Infected Man Crossing Border 76 Times Thursday, October 18, 2007

WASHINGTON—U.S. Sen. John Cornyn, Ranking Member of the Immigration and Border Security subcommittee, on Thursday urged Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff to investigate reports of a man with a highly contagious form of tuberculosis crossing the U.S. border 76 times.



The Washington Times, which reported the story today, also said the man took multiple domestic flights in the past year. Cornyn called on DHS to provide a written report and take the necessary steps to address the problem. Read the letter at <http://www.cornyn.senate.gov>

QUOTES

THIS IS THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS?

As it stands, Congress is sending a conflicting message abroad: Take the legal route of immigration, and you are virtually assured of hassles and frustrating delays. Do it illegally, and an education might await your children
Dallas Morning News Op ED Sept 21

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IT'S OKAY TO BREAK THE LAW

"President Fox defended Mexican citizens who enter the U.S. illegally. "It's okay for them to look for a better future for their families, and you hire them here. They are hard working people doing their best. America is the land of opportunity."

BUT BILL O'REILLY SETS HIM STRAIGHT

But The Factor challenged Fox and the Mexican government. "You have not been able to stop tens of millions of your citizens from coming to the United States. You're letting them come here and violate our law. We have to have a wall because your government won't stop this chaos."

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No one elected or appointed to public office representing "we the people" has a right to ignore the Constitution, nor hold it hostage. It is our demand that the President and Congress will divest themselves of partisan and special interest, and that they will restore the trust and respect of the American people by securing our borders, by withdrawing from treaties and unconstitutional liaisons that undermine our nation sovereignty, and that they will heed the wisdoms and warnings of our founding fathers. - AUTHOR UNKNOWN

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"An act of the legislature repugnant to the Constitution is void." Chief Justice John Marshall declared in *Marbury v. Madison* - 1803



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