## CD11 Race is HEATED

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I cannot remember another time when there were so many good candidates ALL running for the same office. The CD11 race to fill the seat which will be vacated by Rep. Mike Conaway has caused more reason to pray a little harder, dig a little deeper, than any race we've seen in a long time. The Republican field has ten (10) men seeking the same office.

Over the last few weeks it's been interesting to watch the various Facebook live streaming of various forums: San Angelo Republican Women, Brownwood Republicans, Midland County Republicans, Andrews Republicans, while hosting one of my own and videoing the Pachyderm Forum. Both of those videos are on our website.

For those of you out of the loop, there has been a lot of controversy over a few of the candidates, with one of them being singled-out more than the others. Both Pfluger and Batch had never even registered to vote until last fall when they decided to run for office. Many forums have asked for a show of hands of who voted in the last election, exposing their lack of voting.

Then there is the PAC money issue. Pfluger, Lacy, Batch, and Berryhill have all received PAC money support. This is where the real friction arises. It seems the With Honor PAC from which Pfluger has received a quarter of a million dollars, is funded by Jeff Bezos, Michael Bloomberg, members of the Walton family and other liberal donors. The website reads as a bipartisan PAC that funds both Democrat and Republican Veterans running for office. Listen to the press conference mentioned below for more information on this.

A majority of the candidates held a press conference on Tuesday where they publicly shared information, signed a pledge to the CD11 voters that they would never receive democratic money and they could be held accountable. They are very concerned that Pfluger is a Trojan Horse in this race. Those who signed the pledge were: Batch, Berryhill, Virdell, Gray, Tucker, and Barber. Here is the link to the press conference, about 30 minutes long:

https://www.facebook.com/JBerryhillTX11/videos/2733781190071779/UzpfSTE2NTcxNTY1NzE6MzA2MDYxMTI5NDk5NDE0OjEwOjA6MTU4MzA0OTU5OTo4NDE2NTc5MjE5NzkyNDU4NzU0/

Batch is being taunted by the fact that his PAC money from Fired Up PAC – shares the same Treasurer as the PAC money Pfluger received. Batch reports that Fired Up PAC's main focus is to fire Pelosi. Berryhill has received support via advertisement ads from a PAC. Lacy has received PAC money from a group of West Texas folks, as well.

This is the first time I can remember talking with so many fellow Patriots who are still undecided on who will get their vote. Here's the quick list:

Brandon Batch – worked in DC for Rep. Michael McCaul

Casey Gray – retired Veteran, Special Forces, CIA, etc.

J Ross Lacy - Midland oil man, former City Council, Louis Gohmert endorsed

Ned Luscombe – Registered nurse, business owner

Wesley Virdell – Veteran, business owner, Constitutionalist

Jamie Berryhill – Jim Jordan and Mark Meadows endorsed, financial counselor

Robert Tucker – Constitutionalist, caught the bug and missed the latest forums

Gene Barber – Disabled Veteran

August Pfluger – Air Force Reserves now

JD Faircloth – former Mayor of Midland, CPA

I could say something I really like about almost all of them. It's a shame we can't send a package deal to DC – now that would be powerful. I regret that Robert Tucker became ill and was not able to attend the Online Forum/Debate last Sunday night and had to miss today's Pachyderm Club meeting too. I would really like to hear more from him. I did google and find an interview he did with CBS7. It was very informative. You might want to take a listen to this to get information on Tucker. This is about 30 minutes too.

https://www.cbs7.com/content/news/CBS7-to-hold-A-Conversation-With-District-11-candidate-Robert-Tucker-tonight-at-8-pm-

567760041.html?fbclid=IwAR3XnlrgRnmvoNeOl0Cyhrw78Q8fZN3DcekjTXdRdQojDqC0z5OGbL\_fnIM

One other note I should share. Several former military veterans have questioned the first ad that came out from Pfluger, which he states he approved at the end. In the ad he implies that he personally advised President Trump, being a member of the National Security Council. His rank at that time was a Major. I understand that

it takes a Brigadier General just to fetch coffee. These retired Colonels, Lt. Colonels, and others found that statement to be rather misleading.

I do want to encourage you to take the time to do a little research on these candidates. We have several good men in this race which deserve your consideration. Please check out the two videos I have posted on our website: The EncounterTruth.com Online Debate from Sunday night, and also the Pachyderm Club from Wednesday noon.

The Christian Reporter News is endorsing two candidates. Gina Parker for Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 3; and Dwayne Stovall for United States Senator. We have several local Precinct Chair races that are being challenged this year. The Christian Reporter News supports Anna Bartosh, Ken Casper, and Larry Miller.

Be an informed voter!