

History and General Information



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The Vision and Value of Pachyderm Clubs

By William P. Jenkins

The vision of a Pachyderm depends on the perspective of the viewer. Most probably see us as just another political club. Those who are Pachyderms, or really understand the philosophy of the Pachyderm movement, see something entirely different.

Many writers and political scientists in this country have been concerned about the steadily declining turnout at the polls nearly every election. No one seems able fully to understand or explain the reasons for it. Some writers say crooked politicians have turned the voters off and they don't want anything to do with politics. Others say that if more people got "involved" in the political process things could be better.

All right, let's accept that... how does one go about getting involved in the political process? If county committees have meetings, and some do not, few people know about them or even know that they can attend. In many areas, nominating conventions are poorly publicized and maximum attendance is not a guiding principle. What can the newly interested citizen do? After all, remember, "bad officials are elected by good citizens who do not vote."

Just such a situation prevailed in Boone County, Missouri when we started what evolved into the first Pachyderm Club. Several men found that it was fun to meet for lunch on Friday and talk with their newly elected State Representative, the first Republican since the Civil War. Each week one or two more would show up. Eventually they decided to form a club. The Third Biennial Pachyderm Conference in St. Louis was an example of what can happen as a result of what was considered to be political audacity (300-plus in attendance at St. Louis).

A Pachyderm Club is not "just another political club." We have a firm Republican orientation. We do not endorse candidates in primaries and we do not take stands on issues. There are built in limits on the overlap between Pachyderm officers and GOP officials, not because they are evil, but because the reality of a layman's organization is important. The county, state and national chairmen are asked to serve ex-officio as board members on our club and federation boards.



William Jenkins, a charter member of the founding Columbia Pachyderm Club in Missouri, served as the initial president of the national and state federation levels in the formative stages of the organization.

Note

Standard Club By-laws: "Elected public or party officials may constitute no more than fifty percent of a Pachyderm club's elected officers and directors."



The local Pachyderm Club ideally meets every week at the same time and the same place. Thus it becomes a habit. At times, it may be the only place opposing forces in the party can come together and discuss issues.

Alexis de Tocqueville visited our country from France in 1835 and marveled at our ability to act on the public business independently. He commented on the vigor, ingenuity, and enterprise of our “Associations” — his word for independent institutions such as the Pachyderms — and sensed the boundless potential they had.

Where there is an active Pachyderm Club there is a new vigor in the political life of the community. We make news because we are doing something different and audacious. Publicity that speaks of the openness of our meetings, inviting any and all to attend no matter what their past or present associations are, attracts the attention of people who would like to participate in the political process. Many Pachyderm Club members know of those who have come to meetings and joined the club who previously had considered themselves to be independents, and in some cases Democrats.

Generally supportive of all Republican candidates, a Pachyderm Club can be the force behind the recruitment of good candidates. Office holders are generous in their praise of the role Pachyderm Clubs play in their campaigns and as a forum for them after they are in office.

Imagine, if you will, the impact of a Pachyderm Club in every county in this nation! There would be a meeting held every week where interested people could attend and listen or talk politics. An office holder would have a place to make statements, exchange ideas with his constituents, or give his position on current topics of interest, thereby providing material for news releases or interviews.

These meetings gather together men and women who can be encouraged to become candidates or workers for candidates. The result of this political competition could cause the Democrats to seek out the best candidates they can find to keep from losing office to Republicans. If this were to happen, the public stands to gain from each party seeking the best instead of the most available.



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Young business persons and young lawyers go where the action is. If they have political ambitions they are attracted to the party which is successful or has some activities, not necessarily because of what the party stands for. Many young office holders today are Democrats only because they felt that they would have a better chance to get elected if they ran on the Democrat ticket.

We Pachyderms are active at the local level. People know us. They know they can have something to say about who and what they are asked to vote for. They know they can become part of our movement. We can be dynamic, open, vigorous, determined and a force for good in American politics. If we only do what we know how to do best and do more of it, if we dedicate ourselves to extending our influence to every state in America, if we remain steadfastly true to our principles and do not compromise them for anyone. Our value to the Republican Party and this nation will be recognized as a movement that helped make the American Dream a reality.



Pachyderm Club Movement: A Timeline

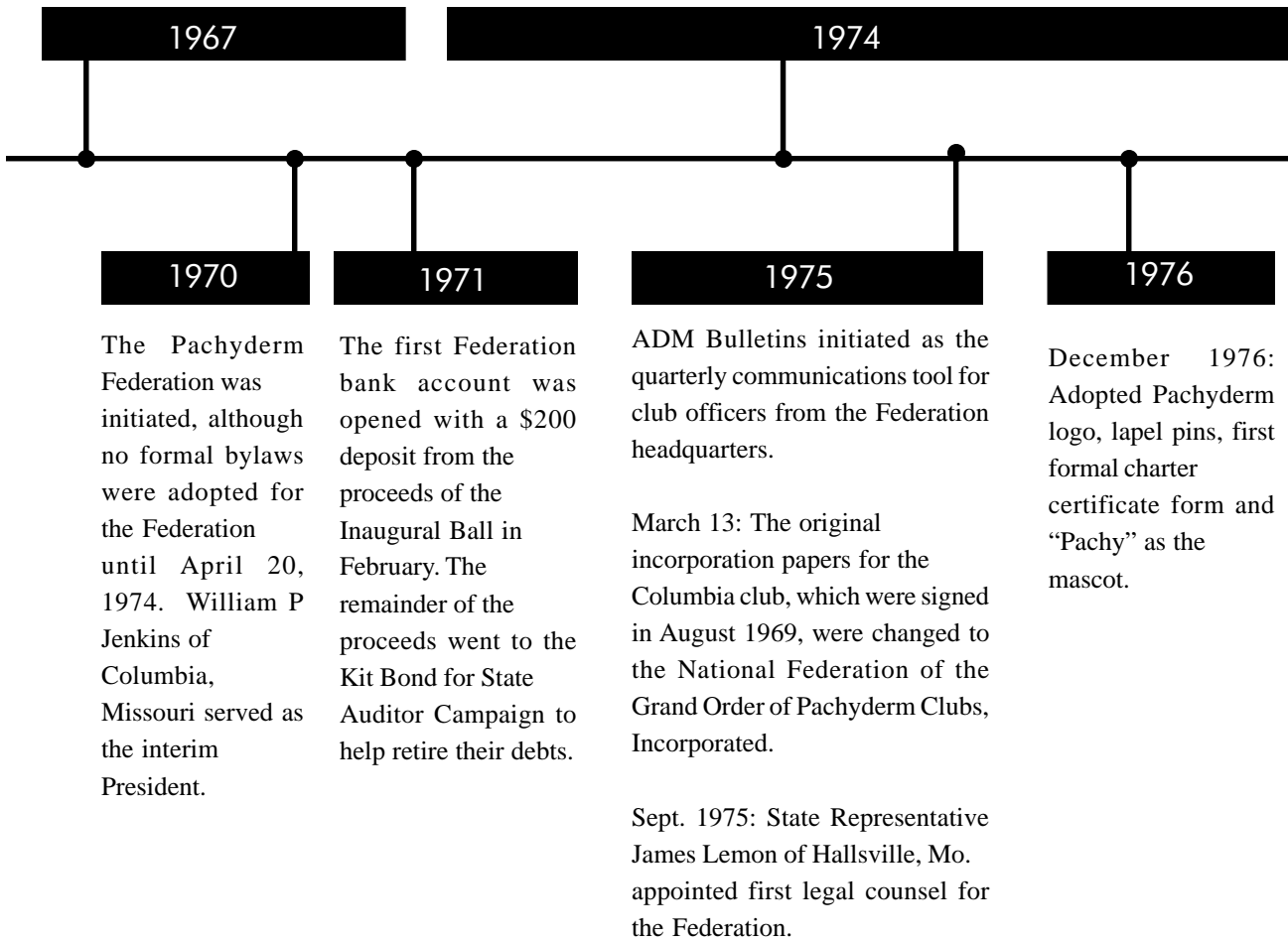
1967

First club formed in Columbia, Mo. The founding club started following the election of George W. Parker to the Missouri House of Representatives. Parker and a small group of residents began meeting each Friday at noon. A naming contest was held and this “Noon-At-The-Boone” club became the Grand Order of Pachyderms in 1968. L.R. Hughes, III was the first president and the club grew to about 200 members. Dr. Sandy (Lowe S.) MacLean, Assistant Dean of Students at the University of Missouri, Columbia served as the second president.

1974

National Federation organization, meeting and bylaws adopted at a meeting held April 20 at Howard Johnson’s motel in Columbia, Mo. The initial Federation officers and directors included: President Robert W. Schollmeyer of Jefferson City, Mo., Vice-President Charles Ekedahl of Mexico, Mo., Second Vice-President Wendell Smith of Sedalia, Mo., Third Vice-President Gordon Burnam of Columbia, Mo., Secretary Russell Sloan of Jefferson City, Mo., Treasurer Larry Niedergerke of Columbia, Mo., and directors John Ottinger of St. Charles, Mo., W.P. Jenkins of Columbia, Mo., Ken Romines of Sedalia, Mo., and Robert Gregory of Kirksville, Mo.

- The Pachyderm motto, “Free Government Requires Active Citizens,” was adopted.
- April 20, 1974 became “Founder’s Day” for the Pachyderm Club movement.
- Paul A. Stewart, Past-President of the Columbia club, prepared a club officers installation ceremony, added to the Club Organizational Manual (currently known as the Pachyderm Club Handbook).
- Club member dues set at \$20 per year.



The Pachyderm Federation was initiated, although no formal bylaws were adopted for the Federation until April 20, 1974. William P Jenkins of Columbia, Missouri served as the interim President.

The first Federation bank account was opened with a \$200 deposit from the proceeds of the Inaugural Ball in February. The remainder of the proceeds went to the Kit Bond for State Auditor Campaign to help retire their debts.

ADM Bulletins initiated as the quarterly communications tool for club officers from the Federation headquarters.

March 13: The original incorporation papers for the Columbia club, which were signed in August 1969, were changed to the National Federation of the Grand Order of Pachyderm Clubs, Incorporated.

Sept. 1975: State Representative James Lemon of Hallsville, Mo. appointed first legal counsel for the Federation.

December 1976: Adopted Pachyderm logo, lapel pins, first formal charter certificate form and “Pachy” as the mascot.

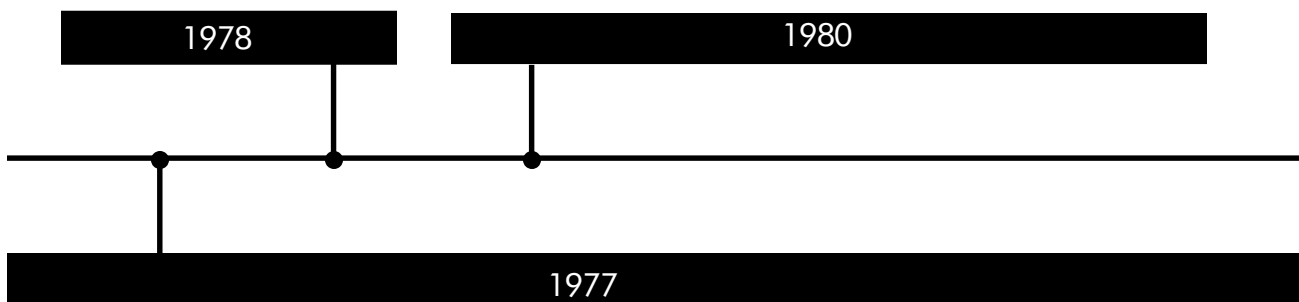


1978

November 18: First permanent Pachyderm Federation headquarters formally opened at 1111 Rangeline (Business Loop 70 and Highway 63 North), Columbia, Mo. Federation President Bruce E. Druckenmiller of St. Louis brought along “Pachy”, a seven-foot-tall walking elephant with large pink ears, to assist in the opening. First convention outside Missouri was in Chattanooga, Tenn., August 7, 1983.

1980

Featured speakers at conventions since 1980 (held every two years in the off-election year): 1981 (St. Louis), RNC Chairman Richard Richards; 1983 (Chattanooga), Senate Majority Leader Howard H. Baker; 1985 (St. Louis), Congressman Guy Vander Jagt (R-Mich.), Chairman, National Republican Congressional Committee and member of the Pachyderm Federation’s Honorary Board; 1987, former Secretary of Agriculture John R. Block, Governor John Ashcroft (R-Mo.), State Treasurer Wendell Bailey (R-Mo.), Ruth Ann Compton, RFWC; Missouri GOP Chairman Hillard Selck, Jr.; 1989, Congressman Jack Buechner (R-St. Louis County), State Treasurer Wendell Bailey (R-Mo.), former Congressman Thomas B. Curtis, Chairman, Pachyderm Federation’s Honorary Board; 1991, Governor Stan Stephens, U.S. Senator Conrad Burns, Congressman Ron Marlenee, Attorney General Marc Racicot and Montana GOP Chairman Rick Hill.



July: First quarterly issue of *The National Pachyderm* published. “2nd Class” mailing permit obtained.

July 16: First Pachyderm Federation Convention held Holiday Inn (West) in Columbia, Mo. This was the Missouri Pachyderm Federation’s Convention and the biennial board meeting to elect officers of the National Federation.

December 3: Adopted bylaw change to permit clubs to accept women members. Honorary Board of Directors initiated. The Honorable Thomas B. Curtis, former distinguished congressman of St. Louis, was named Chairman. Missouri Federation Division Vice-President John R. Stoeffler of St. Louis originated the Tough Tusk Award December 1976. Robert O. Snyder, former Missouri House Minority Leader, received the first award on Feb. 12, 1977. The second award went to Ted L. Smith, first president of the St. Louis Chapter. First recipient of the national level Tough Tusk Award was the founder of the Great Falls, Mont. Pachyderm Club, George F. Roskie (Aug. 24, 1991). The Federation Political Education Committee compiled various materials: reference list on politics and government; club orientation outline for new members, outline and aids for conducting a workshop on how to win an election, handouts on how to poll voters, and how to organize a precinct. A guide folder was prepared for G/PAS (Governmental/Political Affairs Service) Committee and chairmen to assist citizens in obtaining information and services due from their government. All Pachyderm clubs were encouraged to sponsor at least one boy or girl to the American Legion’s Boys State or Girl’s State programs or some related youth activity.



1986

March: Operating primarily with volunteers, the National Pachyderm Federation has 14 clubs in Missouri and nine in other states (Colorado, Georgia, Illinois, Kansas, Montana, Tennessee, and Texas).

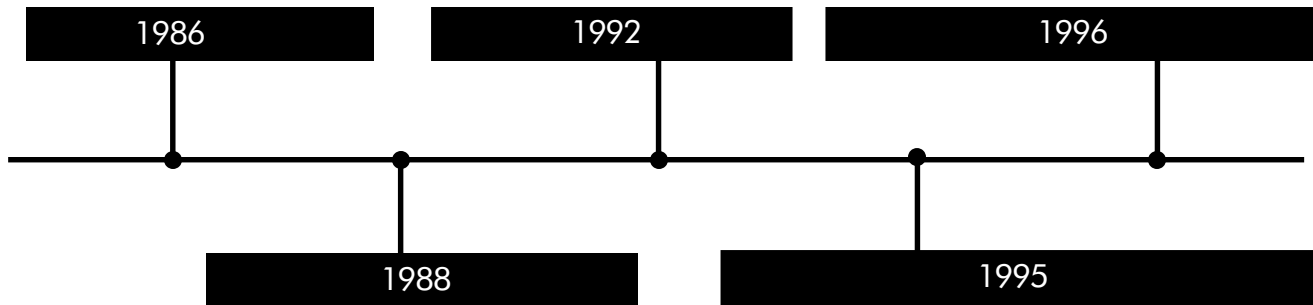
First major fund raising program began in March with the kickoff of The Committee of 100 project, which asked all Pachyderms to contribute \$100 in recognition of the fact that seed money is needed to permit expansion and adequate service to members and clubs.

1992

August 17: When the rules were adopted at the Republican National Convention in Houston, Texas, the National Federation of the Grand Order of Pachyderm Clubs became an official auxiliary of the Republican Party. The Pachyderm National President now had a seat on the Executive Committee of the Republican National Committee.

1996

First National Pachyderm web site established: www.pachyderms.org
 In 1998, National Vice-President Joe Briggs, who operates Briggs Computer Consultants, Inc. of Great Falls, Montana substantially revised and updated this web site. The site is now maintained on a weekly basis and includes such features as a club directory, recent newsletters and club reporting forms. Briggs continues to act as Webmaster for the National Pachyderm Federation.



1986

1992

1996

1988

1995

March 23: The Pachyderm Foundation approved by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service as a tax-exempt entity (501, C-3). Purpose: To promote the development of political leaders, political education and the dissemination of information on the United States' political system. Funds used for scholarships to students and activities related to the purpose. Note: The National Federation of the Grand Order of Pachyderm Clubs, Inc., is a 501, C-4 organization.

After operating headquarters from his home since the club's inception, Executive Vice-President George W. Parker asked the National Federation Board of Directors to find a replacement for him at the Sept. 17 meeting.

Operating funds had come primarily from member dues. For several years, income was insufficient to maintain a headquarters so George and his wife Lois served as the National organization's staff. Lois Parker served as the volunteer secretary for many years and was given "honorary Pachyderm" status by the founding club in Columbia Missouri. Later she was presented the Meritorious Service award at the 1993 Pachyderm Clubs National Conference in St. Louis. In 1996, Board members honored George Parker with a resolution naming him "Founder/Chairman Emeritus." George Parker remains a stalwart supporter of Pachyderm and an active member of the National Board.



The Rules of the Republican Party

Rule No. 24

Executive Committee

(d) There shall be an Executive Committee, which shall be composed of the members of the Chairman's Executive Council, the president of the National Federation of Republican women, the chairman of the Young Republican National Federation, the chairman of the College Republican National Committee, the chairman of the National Republican Heritage Groups Council, the chairman of the National Black Republican Council, the chairman of the Republican National Hispanic Assembly, the president of the National Federation of the Grand Order of Pachyderm Clubs, the president of the National Conference of Republican Mayors, the Republican leader of the United States Senate, the Republican leader of the United States House of Representatives, the chairman of the Republican Governors Association, the president of the National Conference of Republican County Officials, the president of the National Republican Legislators Association, the president of the National Association of Urban Republican County Chairmen, the chairman of the Republican Labor Council, the chairman of Republicans Abroad, and a representative of Jewish-American appointed by the Chairman of the Republican National Committee. Additional groups and organizations may be granted representation on or removal from the Executive Committee by the Republican National Committee, subject to ratification by the next Republican national convention. Groups and organizations represented on the Executive Committee may be referred to as "Auxiliaries of the Republican National Committee."* The Executive Committee shall consult with and offer advice to the chairman of the Republican National Committee with respect to the executive and administrative functions of the Republican National Committee.

An Historic Date for Pachyderms

As recommended by the Committee on Rules and Order of Business of the 1992 Republican National Convention, adopted Aug. 17, 1992 in Houston. This was the first time that Pachyderm Clubs were officially recognized in the Rules.



Note

** In 1996 all of the Auxiliaries of the RNC were renamed "allied organizations" and the Executive Committee was abolished in a series of rule changes brought about by an FEC ruling. In 2000 all references to the former Auxiliaries and Allied organizations were deleted from the Republican National Party rules. The action was in response to the Campaign Finance Reform Act. All of the former Auxiliaries retain the right to utilize the GOP logo.*



Republican Principles

- 1) Individual ability, dignity, freedom and responsibility are basic to good government.
- 2) The free enterprise system and encouragement of individual initiative are musts for a strong economy.
- 3) Government exists to protect the freedom of each individual, not to restrict it.
- 4) Government should get involved only in those things which the people cannot do so well for themselves.
- 5) Both government and society should assist those who cannot provide for themselves and should help them become self-supporting citizens with pride in their independence.
- 6) Equal rights, equal justice and equal opportunity belonging to all, regardless of race, creed, color, national origin or gender.
- 7) The preservation of our nation and the security of our citizens depend on every citizen's respect for the Constitution, the laws and the courts.
- 8) Government must maintain sound money and reasonable economy. The rights of life and liberty are meaningless if citizens are deprived of their property through excessive taxation, inflation and government waste.
- 9) World peace and friendship will continue through strength.

Source: Republican National Committee, 1999



Directory of Headquarters' Services

Republican National Committee and White House briefings
E-Mailed to Club Presidents or Club e-mail contact several times each week.

Congressional Directory Information

Telephone and fax numbers, office addresses of Congressmen and women are available through headquarters.

Club Supplies

Club supplies, individual members supplies, award supplies, and political education materials are available from Pachyderm Headquarters. Contact club presidents or treasurers for supplies catalog or contact headquarters.

Club Officer Training

Club workshop guides for officer training are available from the Pachyderm headquarters. State Federation and National Regional Directors also will assist with the training of club officers. Additional training may be provided via telephone consultation.

Pachyderm Video

The latest edition of the Pachyderm Video is available for loan to Pachyderm club officers and other interested parties. We also have a promotional video featuring RNC Chairman Marc Racicot and an officer's training video available through headquarters

Political Education

Political campaign workshop guides and various handouts on political education are available from the national headquarters or via our web site.

Club Starting

The latest copy of the Club Start Guide and other pertinent information is available.

Membership Rosters and Database Information

Periodic computer-generated membership rosters are provided to all state federation and club treasurers.

Pachyderm Affinity Merchandise

Shirts, Hats, pens, book marks, screen savers, desk flags and many more Pachyderm items are available for purchase on the web at www.pachyderms.org and through Pachyderm Headquarters.

Website hosting and design assistance

National Pachyderm will provide at no charge to local Pachyderm Clubs web site hosting services. We will also assist you in the construction of a static web site for your local club.



THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE GRAND ORDER OF PACHYDERM CLUBS, INC.

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PREAMBLE

It is our belief that most of the corrupting influences in American politics could be erased and the government generally made more responsive by one basic improvement. That is, simply for the good citizens to participate in politics. “ We get the government we deserve, not the one we wish for,” remains a guide-star for a free people. We offer a meaningful movement of political clubs as the most practical means by which a broad citizen participation may be achieved.

ARTICLE I. - Name

Sec. 1. The name of this organization shall be the National Federation of the Grand Order of Pachyderm Clubs.

ARTICLE II. - Purpose and Objectives

Sec. 1. Purpose.

1. To provide a practical means for broad citizen participation in politics.
2. To promote practical political education and the dissemination of information on our political system.
3. To promote the development of potential political leaders.
4. To assist in carrying out the purposes of the Republican Party, whose purpose we believe includes:
 - A. To provide Leadership in Government.
 - B. To protect Individual Rights and Freedom.
 - C. To promote Clean Government with local emphasis.
 - D. To keep the Public Informed on the status of their government.



Sec. 2. Objectives.

1. To establish state federations of Pachyderm clubs.
2. To engage in non-profit political educational activities.
3. To cooperate with the Republican Party.

ARTICLE III. - Membership and Dues.

Sec. 1. Membership in this organization shall be through State Federations and local clubs. Where there is a State Federation affiliated with the National Federation, clubs may become members only through the state federation. Where there is a State Federation member, no other federation in that state shall be eligible for membership.

Sec. 2. Application for Club membership:

- 1) In states where a State Federation exists, applications for new clubs will be submitted by the State Federation.
- 2) In states where no State Federation exists, a proposed club may apply directly to the National Organization for a charter.
- 3) Club charter applications shall be forwarded to the National Federation Secretary. Club charter requirements: (a) Roster of the club's membership of fifteen or more and their per capita dues. (b) A signed copy of the standard club by-laws. (c) Upon receipt of the charter fee and fulfillment of all charter requirements, a charter letter of certificate will be mailed to the new club's secretary by the National Federation Secretary.

Sec. 3. Application for State Federation Membership

In those states where a State Pachyderm Federation does not yet exist, the Pachyderm clubs within that state can petition the National Federation to create a State Federation. The petition must come from no less than three clubs in that state and must be supported in writing by no less than seventy five % of the clubs in that state. The petition must include the names of each Pachyderm Club in the state, a list of the proposed officers for the State Federation and a signed copy of the State Federation Bylaws which must contain Article II,



VIII, and IX of these by-laws. Upon receipt of the charter fee and fulfillment of all charter requirements, a charter letter or certificate will be mailed by the National Federation Secretary.

Sec. 4. Dues and Charter Fees.

1) National Federation annual dues per individual Pachyderm member ages (18) and older shall total twenty dollars (\$20). The annual dues per individual Pachyderm member under the age of 18 shall total ten dollars (\$10). Each State Federation and local club may set its own dues structure so long as said dues structure recognizes that each of its members must be a member of the National Pachyderm Federation.

2) The billing of Pachyderm dues shall be as follows; The National organization will produce and mail dues notices to all Pachyderm members. The invoice will include a remittance envelope addressed to the local club treasurer for members affiliated with a local club. Remittance of dues from at large members shall be directly to the National Federation.

3) Local club treasurers are responsible, after receiving membership dues, to forward such dues promptly (within thirty days or less.)

4) Club treasurers shall forward the National Federation per capita annual dues to the National Federation Treasurer along with the related list of members. In states where dues have been adopted for a Pachyderm Club's State Federation, club treasurers shall forward such state dues to the State Federation Treasurer. The National Federation Treasurer shall provide State Treasurers with membership lists.

5) The club charter fee shall be fifty dollars (\$50). Club treasurers are responsible to forward these fees to the National Federation Treasurer. All dues and fees become due January one and become delinquent on March one, except the initial charter fee, which is due prior to the issuance of a charter.

6) In areas where no Pachyderm Club exists, individuals may join the National Organization as an at-large member. At-large member dues shall be twenty five dollars (\$25) annually. Where a state federation exists, the dues shall be pro rated five dollars (\$5) to the state and twenty dollars (\$20) to the National Federation.

Sec. 5. Granting and revocation of charters:

1) Charters for State Federations and local clubs may be granted only by either the Executive Committee of the National Board or the National Board itself.

2) The Charters of local Pachyderm Clubs and State Federations may be suspended by either the Executive Committee of the National Federation or the National Board. Suspension of a charter may be done for one of the following reasons, the non-payment of dues to either the State Federation or National Federation or failure to abide by the organizations bylaws. The motion to suspend a Charter requires a 2/3 vote of those voting.

3) The National Federation Board shall make the final determination as to reinstatement or removal from membership of any suspended charter.

Sec. 6. Individual membership is open all Republicans as a club member or as an at-large member in communities where there are no Pachyderm Club(s).

Sec. 7. Honorary Memberships. The National or State Federation's board or a club's board may approve by a 2/3 vote, honorary individual memberships. The Treasurer of a State Federation or a club, which grants such membership, shall forward the name, address and five dollars annually to the National Federation for each honorary member.

Sec. 8. Life Membership. A member in good standing of a member club upon payment of a fee per schedule below, within a period of two (2) years to National Federation of the Grand Order of Pachyderm Clubs, may secure a Life Membership. No Life Membership shall become effective until paid for in full. Such Life Membership shall be in force during the time an individual holding it is a



member of a chartered Pachyderm Club. A Life Member shall be privileged to deduct from their annual payment of dues to their member club the amount of National dues. The privilege of said deduction shall apply to membership in only one club. Upon termination of the Life Membership for any reason whatsoever, or upon failure to make sufficient payments to complete the application for Life Membership, no refund of any part of the said fee, or any moneys paid on account of such Life Membership, shall be made by the National Federation of the Grand Order of Pachyderm Clubs to the Life Member or to any person or persons.

Fee Schedule:

Age: 51 and under \$400
 52-60...\$325
 61 and over \$250

ARTICLE IV. - Organization

- Sec. 1.** The National Board of Directors shall be made up of the following: seven directors-at-large who shall serve staggered terms of four years each; Regional Directors serving two year terms; and six elected officers who shall also be members of the board. These officers are: President, Vice President, 2nd Vice President, 3rd Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The Chairman of the National Republican Committee shall be invited to serve as an ex-officio member of the Board. The immediate past-president shall be a voting ex-officio member of the Board. Ex-Officio, non-voting members of the Board shall include: The Legal Counsel, members of the Congressional Liaison Committee, and the Executive Director. In the case where a Regional Director is also a member the National Board through election as an officer or At-large director, the alternate Regional Director for that region shall be elevated to the Regional Director position.
- Sec. 2.** The Board shall, pursuant to Article VI, elect from among its members the following officers: president, vice-president, second vice-president, third vice-president, secretary, and treasurer.

Sec. 3. The Board shall meet at least once annually at the call of the president or by a call issued by four or more of the elected officers. Meeting notices must be mailed not later than 14 days prior nor more than forty days prior to any meeting. A quorum shall consist of not less than one-third of the voting membership of the Board. No proxy voting shall be permitted except in the case of an alternate Regional Director acting in place of their Regional Director.

Authorized voting by mail: The Board may, without meeting together, transact business by mail by voting upon proposed resolutions mailed to them by the Secretary with the approval of the President. If within fifteen days thereafter, a majority of the members of the Board shall send in writing to the Secretary their vote in favor of any such resolution, said resolution shall be deemed carried, otherwise, it shall fail; provided, however, that no such affirmative action shall go into effect for ten (10) days after the Secretary, by registered or certified mail, shall have sent to each Board member a report of the tabulated result of such vote, the ballots of which are to be produced at the following meeting of the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee before being destroyed.

Meetings via telecommunications: The board may without meeting together, transact business via telecommunication provided that all requirements of notification and quorum rules are met. These meetings shall be in addition to the annual meetings and may not be used as a replacement for the regular Board meeting.

Sec. 4. State Federations are authorized to appoint State Regional Directors subject to the approval of the State Federation Board. The state may be divided into regions which shall be submitted to the National Federation for approval.



ARTICLE V. - Executive Committee

- Sec. 1.** The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, 1st Vice-president, 2nd Vice-president, 3rd Vice-president, Treasurer and Secretary.
- Sec. 2.** The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the President; and a quorum shall be 40% of the membership of the committee.
- Sec. 3.** Duties of the Executive Committee:
- 1) Has jurisdiction over the membership applications and removal and reinstatement of memberships subject only to appeal to the Board
 - 2) To recommend the annual budget to the Board
 - 3) To direct the disbursements of fund
 - 4) To approve the bank or banks where funds are to be deposited.
 - 5) To provide a headquarters office and to employ an Executive Director and such other personnel as may be necessary to carry out the work of the organization.

ARTICLE VI. - Nominations, Elections, Vacancies and Removal

- Sec. 1.** The officers shall be elected at the annual, odd-year Board meeting held in conjunction with the National Biennial Pachyderm Conference. The term of office is two years and they shall serve until their successors have been duly elected. The Board may select a date for the National Pachyderm Biennial Conference, which is usually held between June 1 and September 30.
- Sec. 2.** A nominating committee shall be appointed by the president not later than six months prior to the annual Board meeting, which shall be held in the odd-year, of three persons from among the Board membership, who shall elect their own chairman.

Sec. 3. The nominating committee shall submit one nominee for each office and a nominee for each of the seven at-large Board members, whose term is expiring, in a report to be sent to all members of the Board no less than 30 days prior to the annual Board meeting in the odd-year. Their report will be submitted to the Board Secretary who shall be responsible for sending it to the Board members. Nominations may also be made by any Board member in writing submitted to the Secretary 15 days prior to the annual (election) meeting. No one shall be nominated who has not consented to serve if elected. All nominees shall have served at least one year as an officer of a state Federation or a Pachyderm Club.

Sec. 4. Election of officers and at-large Directors shall be by ballot and a majority of all votes cast shall constitute an election to the office or Board. Where there is only one candidate for a vacancy election may be by voice.

Sec. 5. Election of the Regional Directors and alternates shall occur at each biennial conference beginning in the year 2001. Candidates for these positions must have previously served or be currently serving as an officer of either a local Pachyderm Club or a State Federation, candidate must be a member in good standing of the National Federation and must be a resident of the region in which they stand for election.

The regional boundaries shall be identical to those established by the Republican National Committee and shall automatically adjust in the event of a boundary change in the Republican National Committee's regional boundaries.

Nominations for Regional Director positions can be made by any Pachyderm member in the appropriate region. All nominations are to be sent to the Secretary of the National Federation no less than 30 days prior to the date of the bi-biennial conference. No nominations can be accepted after this date and nominations from the floor are not allowed. No less than 15 days prior to the Bi-biennial conference, the Secretary will notify all



clubs in each region as to the candidates for election to the position of Regional Director.

Each club and State Federation in a region shall be entitled to cast one vote for the position of Regional Director for their region. The vote shall be vested in the President of the Club or Federation, but may by their written instruction be transferred to another member of their club or Federation.

During each Bi-biennial conference Regional Caucuses will be scheduled as a part of the conference. An officer of the National Federation shall preside over each of the caucuses and in addition to whatever other business may come before the body, the election of Regional Directors shall take place. The election of Directors shall be by secret ballot unless there is only a single nominee. The candidate receiving the greatest number of votes shall be elected the Regional Director and the candidate receiving the second highest vote shall be elected to the position of alternate Regional Director.

- Sec. 6.** The Secretary of the Board shall compile a roster of eligible voters (Board members) prior to each annual meeting of the Board. A majority of the Board will determine any objections to this roster.
- Sec. 7.** Vacancies in office. A vacancy in an elective office or at-large Board Director shall be filled by election by the Executive Committee at the next meeting following the vacancy, except that a vacancy on the Board involving one of the Regional Directors shall be filled by the alternate. If no alternate exists the Executive Board of the National Board is empowered to fill the vacancy.
- Sec. 8.** Removal of a member of the board. Any member of the National Board absent from two consecutive meetings of the Board, either regular or telecommunication, may be removed from the board by a 2/3 vote of those present at a Board of Directors meeting.
- Sec. 9.** Members of the Board or Officers may be removed for cause by a two-thirds vote of the total membership of the

Board of Directors at a meeting convened for the sole purpose of hearing cause or causes for expulsion of such a member or officer. Cause for expulsion may include, but is not limited to, repudiation of the Republican Party or the principles, bylaws and philosophy of the National Federation of Pachyderm Clubs. Upon initiation of such action by the Board of Directors, the Secretary shall notify the member in writing of the possible expulsion.

Not less than two weeks prior thereto the National Secretary shall notify the member in question and every member of the board as to the alleged cause or causes pertaining to a member's possible removal as well as the date, time and place at which the motion for expulsion will be heard. At such meeting the President, or their designee, shall present the case for expulsion. The member proposed for expulsion may then present a defense. The vote on expulsion shall be by secret ballot.

- Sec. 10.** The term of office for at large directors and officers elected pursuant to Article VI shall commence at the adjournment of the Board meeting during which they were elected. The term of office for Regional Directors shall commence at the adjournment of the caucus during which they were elected.

ARTICLE VII. - Duties of Board Members & Officers

- Sec. 1.** Duties of the Board.

Serves as the governing body of this organization as set forth in these by-laws: shall elect the seven at-large members to the Board: Shall approve the program of action as presented by the president: Shall approve the annual budget. In addition to the duties incumbent on all of the directors, Regional Directors and the alternates have the additional responsibilities of acting as a liaison between all Pachyderm Clubs and Federations in their region and the National organization. Additionally, regional directors are responsible for fostering new club development, membership and officer training in their region.



The National Board shall define the policies and shall have full management responsibilities and administrative authority in all matters of the Pachyderm National Federation organization.

The official publications of the National Federation shall be The National Pachyderm quarterly paper, the Administrative Bulletin, the Club Handbook and such other publications authorized by the Board.

Sec. 2. Duties of the President.

- 1) To preside at all meetings of the Board and the Executive Committee.
- 2) To appoint all committees, except as otherwise provided in these by-laws.
- 3) To be ex-officio a member of all committees, except the nominating committee.
- 4) To sign checks, in the event of the inability of the treasurer to do so.
- 5) To represent the organization at meetings and other appropriate events.
- 6) To serve as the liaison contact between the Republican National Committee and the organization.

Sec. 3. Duties of the Vice-Presidents.

- 1) The Vice-presidents in their order shall perform the duties of the President in their absence and they shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to them by the Executive Committee and the president.
- 2) Working as a Planning Committee the three Vice-presidents shall be responsible for recommending goals for the organization as a whole with a national focus; shall be responsible for recommending a biennial action program with a focus on the local club level and shall be responsible for recommending emphasis



programs to the President and Board to carry out the goals for the biennial, that is, for the two year term of the national officers. The 1st vice-president is chairman of the planning committee.

Sec. 4. Duties of the Secretary. to keep all minutes of the Board and of the executive committee, and, to perform such other duties as assigned by the president or executive committee.

Sec. 5. Duties of the Treasurer.

1) To be custodian of all funds.

2) To give bond to cover monies likely to be under their care, the cost of such bond to be paid by the organization.

3) To send notices of unpaid dues to members.

4) To collect all funds and to deposit them in a bank approved by the executive committee.

5) To disburse funds as directed by the executive committee or the Board.

6) To arrange for an annual examination by a CPA firm approved by the Executive Committee.

7) To make a written report of receipts and disbursements for all Board meetings and as directed by the president.

Sec. 6. Officer's records and files. All Officers shall deliver all records, files and properties of the organization to the headquarters within 30 days after retiring from office, unless otherwise directed by the president or executive committee in writing.



ARTICLE VIII. - Policy

- Sec. 1.** It is the general policy of this organization in support of its purpose and objectives to provide a non-profit association of citizens, regardless of their political leanings within the Republican Party - an association free from fractional entanglements - where the members can “break bread” together.
- Sec. 2.** This organization shall not endorse candidates in a non partisan, primary election or otherwise take sides in the party’s selection of candidates, nor by resolution or endorsement of any kind take a stand on issues, except as otherwise provided in these by-laws.
- Sec. 3.** Fairness and a policy of non-discrimination, so far as treatment of party candidates and officer holders, is the general policy. Elected public or party officials may constitute no more than fifty percent of a Pachyderm Club’s elected officers and directors.
- Sec. 4.** The Republican state party chairman shall be invited to serve on the state federation board as an ex-officio member in their state. And the Republican chairman of the respective city or county shall be invited to serve as an ex-officio member of the board of all local member clubs in their district.
- Sec. 5.** The officers of this organization and it’s state and local affiliates in their official capacity, shall not permit the use of their name by any person seeking the nomination for an elective office before the filing deadline or in the event of a contested primary. Any officer who violates this rule may be removed by the Board of Directors for which they are an officer by a 2/3 vote of those voting.

ARTICLE IX. - Standing Committees.

- Sec. 1.** The governing board shall at all levels of this organization establish standing committees.



- Sec. 2.** Planning Committee, see duties of the Vice-presidents, Article VII.
- Sec. 3.** Political Education Committee. This committee at each level - national, state, and local shall:
- 1) Promote programs designed to keep the membership informed on the political processes and issues.
 - 2) Promote educational materials on party laws and the political system in general.
 - 3) Promote political education generally in the schools and community for youth and adults.
 - 4) Make recommendations for needed improvements in laws regulating political parties and the political processes. Such recommendations may be forwarded to appropriate party officials and others provided that no action in fulfilling the role of this committee shall be taken external to the organization unless a 3/4 vote has been obtained for its approval by the governing board.
 - 5) Responsible for training programs for key leaders and the development of training materials and related matter.
- Sec. 4.** Finance Committee. This committee is charged with the responsibility for setting an annual budget, proposing dues rates and proposing methods of raising non-dues revenue.
- Sec. 5.** By-Laws Committee. This committee is charged with the responsibility of an ongoing review and modification of the National Bylaws.
- Sec. 6.** Club Extension Committee. This committee is charged with the responsibility of creating and administering an operation plan for expansion of the Pachyderm movement into all state and territories of the United States.



- Sec. 7.** Awards Committee. This committee is charged with the responsibility of creating and administering a system of awards and recognition for clubs to encourage expansion of the Pachyderm movement.

ARTICLE X. - Rules of Order and Amendments.

- Sec. 1.** Robert's Rule of Order, revised, shall be the parliamentary authority for all duly called matters of procedure not otherwise covered in these By-laws.
- Sec. 2.** These by-laws may be amended by a 2/3 vote of the members present at any duly called Board meeting, provided that written notice of proposed amendments shall have been mailed to all Board members at least 30 days prior to the meeting.

ARTICLE XI. - By-Law Compliance.

- Sec. 1.** All state federations and local member club by-laws shall have included therein Article II, VIII, and IX of these by-laws and generally comply with the rules of this federation. Each application for membership by a State Federation shall be accompanied by a signed copy of such federation's by-laws for approval by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE XII. - Incorporation.

- Sec. 1.** This shall be an incorporated federation operated under the laws of the State of Missouri relating to benevolent, religious, scientific, educational and miscellaneous associations under Chapter 355, Revised Statutes of Missouri, with no paid in capital stock and without pecuniary profit. Its revenues shall be derived primarily from contributions, dues and assessments as the Board of Directors shall prescribe.

ARTICLE XIII. - The Motto of the Grand Order of Pachyderms shall be: "Free Government Requires Active Citizens."



The Pachyderm Foundation

Purpose

The overall purpose of the Pachyderm Foundation is to: promote the development of political leaders for America; encourage political education; and promote the dissemination of information about the U.S. political system. The primary use of funds is to provide scholarships to students in pursuit of study that would equip them to make some contribution to the political leadership needs of the nation.

How to Give

There are several ways in which a person may make a gift without the outlay of cash. Here are a few of the most popular methods:

Life Insurance Gifts

- Make the Pachyderm Foundation the beneficiary of an existing policy.
- Make the foundation the last beneficiary in case primary or secondary beneficiaries don't survive you.
- Make a gift of a paid-up policy or retirement plan (IRAs, Keough Plans, and most pension and profit sharing plans).
- The Pachyderm Foundation can be designated as a beneficiary of your account to receive any funds remaining after you and the beneficiaries no longer need them. You make such a designation when you start a plan, or you can contact your financial institution handling your present account. This adjustment can usually be made easily.

Life Estate Agreement (Trust)

- This plan allows you to make a charitable gift of a personal residence or farm, while retaining the right to live there and use the property and any income it produces — for life.
- The property avoids estate tax, since it is a charitable gift.
- Capital gains tax is avoided (review current tax laws).
- There is a tax deduction for a portion of the value of the property in the year the agreement is signed.
- A valuable gift to the Pachyderm Foundation is made possible.



This article is based on the general provisions of our tax laws. For specific advice, see your attorney or other financial advisor.

Pachyderm Fellows

The “Pachyderm Fellow” designation is for persons who desire to support the Pachyderm Foundation. The two levels are: (1) “Pachyderm Fellow — National Sponsor” for gifts of \$1,000 or more. (2) “Pachyderm Fellow” for gifts of \$500 or more. The gifts may be in installments over a three year period. Contributors receive a plaque and other recognition. Note: The Pachyderm Fellow designation is also available to individuals who support the expansion of Pachyderm Clubs. Those funds go to the National Federation of Pachyderm Clubs. Such contributions are not tax deductible.

Persons who wish to make contributions may use the form below.

Pachyderm Fellow



I will contribute a tax-deductible contribution of:

- \$25
 \$50
 \$100
 \$500
 \$1000 or more

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____

Mail to:
 The Pachyderm Foundation
 P.O. 585
 Columbia, MO 65205-0585

Please call me to discuss tax-exempt gift-giving.

