

Dear members of the Board of Supervisors,

The purpose of this letter is to recommend that you bar Supervisor Delgaudio from sponsoring the "Eugene Delgaudio Sterling Teen Job Fair." The Sterling Supervisor uses the job fair to recruit youth into a right-wing political club that has a history of violence, defamation and hatred towards minorities and progressive causes. Furthermore, this board should send a letter of apology the participants of prior job fairs and their parents advising them that the county was not aware of the recruitment activity and that it does not endorse or sponsor the Sterling Supervisor's recruiting activities. I'm requesting that you take this into consideration at your July 17, 2013 meeting under the agenda item "Grand Jury Report: Follow-up on Supervisor Eugene Delgaudio Investigation."

**Background:**

On March 16, 2013, I attended "Supervisor Delgaudio's 2013 Teen Job Fair." Immediately after I walked through the door, Supervisor Delgaudio followed me, yelling at me. He chased me down, blocked my path, and demanded that I leave. I explained that he had no authority to bar me from a county-sponsored event. He insisted that it was "*his*" job fair, not a county event. After a rather tense confrontation, the Supervisor allowed me to visit the fair if I agreed not to take photographs. I agreed and spent approximately fifteen minutes visiting the employer booths, tables and displays.

The event was organized in a ring. The last two tables, next to the entry/exit area 1) solicited Sterling Supervisor Aide jobs, and 2) promoted the right-wing club Young Americans for Freedom (YAF). The winsome young YAF recruiters distributed glossy literature and had quite a crowd of eager job-seekers. It was the final table, before the exit, and of all the jobs, the Sterling Supervisor Aide job was the most desirable. I overheard one job seeker ask: "What jobs are you [YAF] offering?" The recruiter replied, "*Oh, we don't have any jobs, we're a club.*"

Evidence of the YAF table is presented in the photo below, downloaded from Supervisor Delgaudio's campaign web site. The yellow flyer has "SUPERVISOR DELGAUDIO'S OFFICE INTERNSHIP INFORMATION" on one side and "Supervisor Delgaudio invites YOU to attend the Young America's Foundation 2013 National High School Leadership Conference" on the other. The "I LOVE CAPITALISM" sign in the background carries the YAF logo.



### What is YAF?

Young Americans for Freedom is a right-wing “anti-movement” that was formed in 1960 to fight progressive student movements and communism. YAF believes that government has only three functions: “preservation of internal order, the provision of national defense and the administration of justice.” All of these functions rely on power and violence.

As the anti-war movement gained traction on campuses in the 60’s, YAF emerged as the pro-war voice on campus. In response to an April 7, 1965 speech where President Johnson urged “peace without conquest” YAF editorialized in its propaganda publication, *The New Guard*: “We have [to] let the Red Chinese know that if they enter the war, we will not hesitate to bomb the Chinese mainland with nuclear weapons...”

YAF can find a violent solution to any problem. There was a YAF chapter on my campus. Campus groups set up literature tables on the quad every Friday. One Friday, YAF surrounded a table they didn’t like, overturned it, and stomped on the literature.

When the entire country galvanized against the racist policy of Apartheid, YAF supported Apartheid and violently attacked student “shantytowns” as close as the University of Maryland. A friend of mine witnessed the attack.

In many instances, YAF members pick fights with their opponents. YAF calls this “debate”. If opponents ignore them or don’t respond in-kind, YAF will claim that they were the victims and they will lie and engage in [personal attacks against their opponents](#). For example, in report on a “debate” with a progressive Missouri group, YAF members claimed “death threats.”

*They can hate on MORE's politics all they want, but making ridiculous, unfounded allegations of "death threats" crosses the line of decency.*

Learning to "cross the line of decency" is the point of the training. Supervisor Delgaudio was the Executive Director of YAF in the late 70's and he continues to cross lines as described in the section on Public Advocate videos in the Grand Jury Report. Below, you see a photo of Supervisor Delgaudio's Aide Joe Patten (black suit) with a bag over his head, reminiscent of the nascent KKK when they wore flour sacks over their heads.



The man with the check is identified as the Ernst & Young CEO, and the check is made out to the Jerry Sandusky Defense Fund. Jerry Sandusky is the married heterosexual pedophile who abused boys at Penn State.

The point here is that YAF "training", Public Advocate "training" and Sterling Supervisor Aide tasks are all part of a continuum that consistently crosses lines of decency.

### **Why should Loudoun Government apologize for YAF recruitment?**

In his book "Sources of Terror," Clark McCauley explains that many people get involved with terrorism simply because "they were asked." They have no particular ideological reason for joining. They join because they were asked by a smiling young recruiter behind a table of glossy literature and the promise of an excellent job. Supervisor Delgaudio understands this very well and he takes advantage of his position to "ask" with the imprimatur of the Loudoun County government.

But he's asking these vulnerable youth to join an organization that *crosses the line of decency*, and that is a very generous summation of their activities. I personally believe that YAF is a dangerous, violence-prone, proto-fascist group, and there is plenty of evidence to substantiate.

Of all of Supervisor Delgaudio's activities, this recruitment of youth is perhaps the most serious. It has to stop and it's up to the Board of Supervisors to stop it.

Yours,

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