

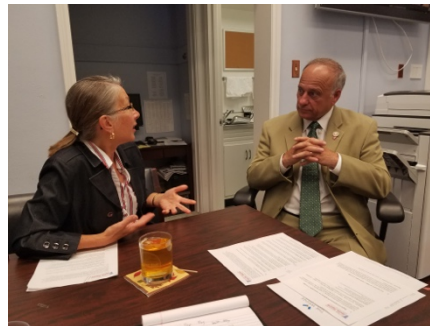
# Capitol Hill Report

*Special Report from June 19-23, 2017 in Washington, D.C.*

## Accomplishments:

1. Seven meetings with U.S. Senators and Staff
2. Fourteen meetings with U.S. Representatives and Staff
3. One meeting with the Trump Administration
4. Presentation for event held at *The Heritage Foundation*
5. Distributed CCHF one-page wish list (Five Do's and Five Don'ts); proposed legislation

## Great Meetings with Congressmen Dave Brat (VA) and Steve King (IA):



**Matt Flanders, CCHF legislative specialist, on the private balcony of The Speaker of the House on the front side of the U.S. Capitol:**



## Highlights:

1. Packet of information to Kellyanne Conway's Chief of Staff

2. Brief chat with **Congressman Jason Lewis** in Cannon House Office Building
3. 30-minute meeting with **Congressman Dave Brat** and Health Policy Staffer
4. 60-minute meeting with **Congressman Steve King** and Legislative Director
5. 20-minute meeting with **Congressman Tom Garret** and Legislative Director
6. 45-minute meeting with an **HHS Deputy Assistant Secretary**
7. 30-minute meeting with **House Speaker Paul Ryan's** Assistant to the Speaker for Policy
8. 30-minute meeting with **House Majority Leader** Kevin McCarthy's Health Policy Staffer

### **CCHF president Twila Brase presenting at Heritage:**



### **Quotes from CCHF Meetings on Capitol Hill**

#### **Staffers:**

- “These changes in terminology are very important.”  
-- regarding our suggestion to switch from saying “pre-existing conditions” to “uninsurable conditions” and from “redistribution of wealth” to “redistribution of wages”
- “Sounds like a [Rep.] Yoho wish list” (CCHF list of five do’s and five don’ts)
- “Keep doing what you’re doing. Keep getting the word out!”
- “I think you’re definitely right, that in some aspects, we’ve lost the messaging. Changing terms and winning message strategies are necessary.”
- “This is terrific! I really appreciate this!”

#### **Members:**

- “That’s a good idea. I’ve never heard anyone say that.”
- “Frank Luntz hasn’t given me anything this good in a while.”
- “You think so clearly. Why don’t we have someone in Congress who can speak like this?”

#### **Exchange:**

- “You probably remember who we are.” – CCHF president Twila Brase
- “The good guys!” – Congressional staffer